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Thought for the Week: **It's not a 9-5 job. It's an every moment you're awake job because you actually enjoy the work that you're doing.** Jeffrey Kalmikoff



MEATBALL CONTEST

On Jan 1st 2011 the 9th Annual Meatball Contest was held. The contest was held at the Knight-Bergman Center again this year, so much more space than my kitchen and dining/living room area. There were 36 people in attendance this year.

The judging was to be at noon, so with the help of Janet Schmidt and Stacia Henderson, the entries were labeled and dished up for the judge. Joel Knight, 16 year old son of Lowell and Karen Knight has judged this contest for the past 9 years. Wearing a tux for his judging duties, he got down to business in another room. There were 10 entries to judge this year. While Joel was doing his thing, the rest of us enjoyed a nice dinner together. Food, drink and conversation with friends and family, what could be better.

Joel made his appearance and the room got quiet, everyone was anxious to hear him call their number. Joel gave his speech, and then thanked everyone for coming. The winners were:

- 3rd place.....Marla Lines, 2nd place... .Rod Lines
- 1st place.....Jason Knight

Jason received a red rose and purple ribbon and has the meatball champion bragging rights for the year. All others received placement ribbons.

Other entries were: Mandy Maddock and Jonathon Bitzer, Diane and Justin Carroll, Jared Jacobs, Carol, Tom and Jordan Carnes, Sherry and Terry Knight, Stacia and Paul Henderson, Margaret and Waldo Knight. Joel handed out thank you gifts to all who entered. A huge "thank you" to all of you for your support.

I would like to thank the Knight-Bergman Center for a very comfortable place to hold this contest. Thank you to Joyce Sorg and P.J.'s Flower and Gifs for her help the past 9 years. Also to those that helped me set up before and to clean up afterwards, thank you so very much. For the rest of you, well done! See everyone next year.

JR LEADER MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet at the Family Living Building, Hier's Park, from 7:00-8:30 pm on Thursday, February 10. The group will have a guest speaker from the Indiana National Guard and work on the Hero Packs, to be shared with children of military families. They will also finalize plans for March community service project at the New Life Fellowship Meal Ministry on Thursday, March 10, 5:30-7:30 pm.

For more information about the Huntington County 4-H Junior Leader program, contact Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington, phone 260-358-4826 or email laldrigd@purdue.edu.

NOODLE DINNER

Van Buren Lions Club is having a beef and chicken noodle dinner on February 12 from 3:00 to 7:00 PM at the Lions Club building. This is a complete dinner with carry outs available. The cost is \$7.00 for adults and 3.00 for children.

HEADED TO THE UK

Devin Suchcicki, a 4th grader at Salamonie School was recently recommended and accepted to participate as a student leader in the People to People Student Ambassador Program. He is the son of Machele and John Suchcicki; grandson of Linda

and Harold Plasterer, Warren; Helen and Amedeo Aguilar, Pensacola, FL; and Dave Suchcicki, Warren; great-grandson of Lola Plasterer, Warren; and May Slagel, Warren. He will be traveling to United Kingdom and Ireland this summer. The program promotes international understanding while building leadership skills among America's youth. This 19-day experience includes meetings with government officials, interaction with other

students his age, educational activities, and homestays with host families.

People to People Ambassadors are carefully interviewed and evaluated before their acceptance into the program, and he is honored to have been selected. Personally, he is looking forward to the opportunity to learn firsthand about new places and cultures and increase his understanding

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JAMISON AT THE PULSE

Barry Jamison (pictured here) will be one of the many performers at the PULSE OPERA HOUSE VALENTINE'S TALENT & VARIETY SHOW in Downtown Warren. Featuring area talent, the Pulse Opera House kicks off the 25th Season of Entertainment & Live Theatre. Performances are this FRIDAY & SATURDAY, Feb 11 & 12 at 8pm. Tickets for this fundraiser are \$12 for adults & \$5 for children 12 & under. Once again, the Pulse Opera House will take \$2 off the adult ticket price with any non-perishable food donation for the Food Pantry. Tickets will be available at the door.



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PROS THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who attended the recent Sunday Lunch at the Knight Bergman Center that PROS (Parents Reaching Out at Salamonie School) hosted. This year's lunch was a huge success! In the past we have used funds generated from this lunch for scholarships, to purchase recess equipment and to make improvements to the Salamonie School woods. We are excited to see what great things we will be able to do in 2011!



THE UPTOWN GARDENER
 by Ruth Herring

(This was supposed to be in last week's paper but since the weather wouldn't allow it - we'll run it this week.)

According to the calendar spring is 40 plus days away, if were lucky. Maybe the groundhog will bring us good news. To me anyway you look at it we have some gloomy winter days yet. Far as temperature goes anything above 32 degrees I will take for the time being.

Last writing I was remembering about the old backyard pump and me being a little kid, I thought about the time my sister who was always trying to get me in trouble, tried to convince me how good it felt to put your tongue on the cold pump handle. I didn't buy it and she thought she would be smart and prove her point. Needless to say she stayed there for a while. I had to get mom to come to her rescue but by the time we got back out there she had gotten loose but had a might sore tongue and for once I didn't get blamed for something. What kids did do for fun. She also tried once to get me to lick the batter off the egg beater while she held it. I think she had something against my tongue, maybe I talked to much.

Soon the big football game is coming up and be lots of conversations going on. I don't understand football, the most I can get from it is you toss that pigskin from one place to another and all these guys pile upon one another to get it back.

So I will do my part to help make your day enjoyable by giving this recipe for the main cook of the house to prepare for you. It is really good as a dip or just as a salad.

Cowboy Caviar

1- 15 oz can black eyed peas, 1- 15oz can black beans, 1- 15 oz can pinto beans, 15 oz shoe peg corn, rinse and drain all of these add to it 1 small jar drained pimentos, 1 cup each of finely diced celery, green pepper, and onion. If you are a real for sure cowboy add 2 or 3 chopped jalapenos. Mix all of this well.

In a sauce pan combine 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon water, 1/2 cup oil, 3/4 cup apple cider vinegar, 1 cup sugar. Bring to boil and let cool and pour over the bean mixture. Refrigerate for 4 hours or more. Before serving drain and serve with tortilla chips (the scoops work best) so Treva says.

I did not drain only what I needed at the time. It keeps well for several days. Enjoy the game.

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 Brad Kelly, Pastor

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 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
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 BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.
 CWF Ladies (3 Tue) 6:00 p.m.

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 Sunday School 10:30a.m.

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 Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.
 2nd Worship Service 10:30a.m.

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 2nd Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

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 Steve Sutton, Pastor
 765/728-2065 for more info

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 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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 Worship 10:30 a.m.
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 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

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 David Thrift, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
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 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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 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.

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 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.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

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 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service..... 7:00p.m.
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 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN 765-934-3609
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AREA NEWS

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of the world. Upon his return, he plans to share his experiences with his peers at school and other civic clubs in our community. In case you haven't heard of People to People, here is a little history for you. President Dwight D. Eisenhower founded People to People in 1956. He believed that if people from different cultures could come together in peace and friendship, so eventually would nations. Since its founding, People to People has launched many international programs, including Sister Cities, Project HOPE, and the Student/Sports Ambassador Program.

Devin will be hosting a "Pampered Chef Open House" from 4 to 6pm on February 12, 2011, at his home, 201 Winterhaven Drive, Warren, to assist him at earning tuition for his People to People Student Ambassador Program. Mini work stations will be set up to try different Pampered Chef products, with a main demo starting at 4:30pm, with food for everyone to enjoy. A website has been set up to place orders at <http://www.pamperedchef.biz/>

[gaylemelcher](#), if you would like to place an order to help support Devin, and are unable to attend. One of the main things Devin is looking forward to is trying different foods from the different countries. You may contact Devin at (260) 375-3130 if you have any questions. If you have any questions about the People to People Ambassador Programs, log on to their website at www.studentambassadors.org. We look forward to your support.

BLOOD NEEDED

With this latest round of severe winter storms, the local American Red Cross has been unable to collect over 820 expected pints of blood over the course of the last three days. Over 20 blood drives across the 50 county coverage area were forced to be cancelled throughout the week.

Further compounding the issue, many Red Cross blood drives across the country have also been cancelled and the number of blood donations uncollected due to winter storms over the last several weeks rose to 28,000 since January 1.

"At any given moment we have patients relying on life-saving blood products. And this need is constant, even in emergency situations," said Sharyn Whitman, CEO for the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "The quickest help will come from those local blood donors who are able to safely travel to a blood drive or donor center near them. We are encouraging the public to donate blood and platelets as soon as it is safe to travel in the coming days and weeks."

All blood types are needed, but there is a particular need for donors with O-negative blood since O-negative can be transfused into patients of all blood types. People are asked to make and keep an appointment to give blood by calling 1-800-RED CROSS or visiting redcrossblood.org.

People have been responding to the call for blood donors, and the Red Cross is grateful to those who are stepping up to donate blood to help build the blood supply back to sufficient levels. The Red Cross distributes blood products to approximately 3,000 hospitals and transfusion centers across the United States.

UPCOMING AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES IN YOUR AREA:

Thursday, Feb. 17, from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Knight-Bergman Center in the main room, located at 132 S. Nancy St. in Warren.

Monday, Feb. 28, from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the Evangelical

United Methodist Church, located at 1000 Flaxmill Road in Huntington.

How to Donate Blood To schedule an appointment to donate please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org for more information. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental permission in some states), meet weight and height requirements (110 pounds or more, depending on their height) and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. Please bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive ID when you come to donate.

FREE SOUP SUPPER

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, February 15th to join Solid Rock United Methodist Church for their annual FREE SOUP FOR THE SOUL SUPPER to be held at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center. No reservations required so bring that special Valentine which can be your wife and children, all of your family, your best friend and your neighbors. We will be warming your soul with a choice of Vegetable, Chili or Chicken & Noodle Soups, choice of drink and cookies and ice cream for dessert. We will be serving from 5:00-6:30 pm unless the Kettle runs dry before then. We offer this free supper to thank the community for supporting our other projects throughout the year. Come and join the fun and fellowship and found out

what we are all about.

RECIPE CLUB

The Warren Library is hosting a Recipe Club.

* Check out any cookbook and receive a recipe card from the librarian.

* Try a new recipe from the book.

* Write the new recipe or an old favorite on the card.

* Turn in the card when you check in the cookbook.

All participants will receive a cookbook made up of the recipes turned in.

Club runs from February 7 to March 7. All recipes MUST be turned in by March 7.

Cookbooks may be picked up the week of March 21.

MUST PARTICIPATE AND TURN IN A RECIPE TO RECEIVE A COOKBOOK

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Dogwood Glen will be hosting Sunday Brunch on February 13th from 11am - 1pm. Buffet provided by Kim's Katered Affair. For reservations please call Dogwood Glen at 375-4750.

NOTES FROM THE BASEMENT

The winter weather was not kind to us last week. We apologize to anyone who tried to brave the ice, snow and cold and found us closed.

The snow had drifted deep into the stairwell with a thick ice layer to cement it in and turned the steps into a ramp that resembled a luge run! Thanks to Rosemary Zeller for arranging with Terry Highley to chip it out so we could get the door opened! And a big thanks from the town of Warren and their crew for keeping the driveway and alley plowed for us. It seems to be a full time job these last few weeks.

We really appreciate all you guys do to keep us safe on the roads.

This is probably a good time to remind everyone of our winter weather policy. We are closed when Huntington county schools are closed. We also listen for Southern Wells closings and delays as our weather pattern in the Warren

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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 cancelled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Feb 12	Lincoln's Birthday
Feb 14	VALENTINE'S DAY
Feb 14	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m. Assembly Hall
Feb 16	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Feb 21	President's Day
Feb 21	KBC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., at KBC
Mar 2	Chamber of Commerce Lunch, noon - Assembly Hall
Mar 2	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Mar 14	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
Mar 15	Banquo Fish/Tenderloin Supper, 4:30 - 7:30 at Banquo Christian Church
Mar 26	Mt Zion Fish Fry

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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Local residents in amazement yesterday as Collectors provide a stimulus package to Bluffton!

By DAVID MORGAN
STAFF WRITER

Spokesperson for the event said he expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week for vintage items and precious metals from local residents. Here are some examples of what is going on in the event that started Tuesday in the **Bluffton Inn & Suites**:

One person sold an old Gibson guitar that was purchased in the 1960's for less than \$250.00 to a collector at the event for \$2175.00

Another person had a pocket watch

collection that sold for \$4600.00, with one of the watches in this collection bringing \$375.00 of the \$4600.00 tally.

A husband and wife brought in a box of old Jewelry, wristwatches, coins, and two German daggers from WW2 and left \$785.00 richer.

This is cool that something like this would come here to our town. Where else would this stuff even be sold? The refinery has teamed up with the collectors for a 24 month tour of the United States, both big and small towns to dig up hidden gems.



"I'm glad I came in! I really need the money."
CLAUDIA McDONALD says, who received \$825 for a gold coin minted in 1886.

Dozens cash in yesterday with jewelry, railroad watches and guitars. An estimated \$200,000 in Bluffton!

By DAVID MORGAN
STAFF WRITER

The first days of the 5 day reclamation drive in **Bluffton** will be a hit with those looking to sell their gold and silver. Representatives are on hand this week purchasing all types of unwanted and broken jewelry. An estimated 55 people left the event with over \$200 dollars from old class rings, wedding bands, herringbones, and gold teeth. Coins dated 1964 and earlier were bringing big premiums as well. Silver dollars, halves and quarters arrived in large quantities. Lots of gold coins were also brought in. Rebecca Hughes walked away with over \$1200.00 after selling an original \$20 gold piece from 1888.

On the other side of the room were representatives from the Antique Association. They were purchasing all types of guitars, large currency bills dated before 1923, military items and pocket watches. One watch was purchased by a collector in Montana for \$835 dollars. There were piles of sterling silver items like old silverware sets and tea pots. One gentleman rolled a cart in with 3 boxes full of silver coins. Company officials reported spending over \$80,000 the first day of the event, alone. Brian Fades with Ohio Valley said, "We have had an overwhelming turnout this first day and we expect to get busier every day this week." The event continues today and runs through Saturday. The event is free and the public is welcome.

If you go:

WHO: Ohio Valley Refinery
Reclamation Drive

WHAT: Open to public to sell gold and silver.

WHEN: February 8th - 12th

WHERE: Bluffton Inn & Suites
100 Charles Deam Ct.
Bluffton, IN 46714

TIMES: TUESDAY-FRIDAY
9:00am - 6:00pm
SATURDAY
9:00am - 4:00pm

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Silver and Gold Coin Prices Up During Poor Economy.

Collectors and Enthusiasts in Bluffton with \$200,000 to Purchase Yours!

By DAVID MORGAN
STAFF WRITER

Got Coin? It might be just the time to cash in. This week, starting Tuesday and continuing through Saturday, the International Collectors Association, in conjunction with the Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery, will be purchasing all types of silver and gold coins direct from the public. All types are welcome and the event is free.

Collectors will be on hand to identify and sort your coins. Then the quality or grade will be determined. According to collectors I talked with, the better the grade the more they are worth. With the current silver and gold markets, prices are up for older coins too. Any coins minted in 1964 and before in the U.S. are 90% silver, except nickels and pennies.

The coins worth is determined by the rarity and the grade. Old silver dollars are worth a great premium right now. Even well worn and heavy circulated ones are bringing good premiums. Franklin and Kennedy halves, Washington quarters and Mercury and Roosevelt dimes are all worth many times their face value. While older types like Seated Liberty, Standing Liberties, and Barber coins are worth even more.

Gold coins are really worth a lot right now according to Brian

Eades of the International Collectors Association. "This country didn't start minting coins until 1792," says Eades. "Before that people would trade goods using gold dust and nuggets. Some shop keepers would take more gold than needed to pay for items purchased. There was no uniform system of making change."

The government opened the first mints and began distributing the coins in 1792. By the beginning of the 19th century, coins and paper currency were wide spread and our monetary system was here to stay. In 1933, Roosevelt required all banking institutions to turn in all gold coins.

Once all banks turned in this gold, the president raised the gold standard from \$20.00 per ounce to \$33.00 per ounce. This was his way of stimulating the economy during the great depression. However, gold coins were never redistributed after the recall. Not all gold coins were turned in. Many folks during that time didn't completely trust the government and chose to keep their gold.

These gold coins are sought after by collectors today and bring many times the face value. Any gold coins with the mint marks of CC, D or O will bring nice premiums. Collectors at the event will be glad to show you where to look. Other types of coins will also be purchase including: foreign coins, Indian head cents, two cent pieces, half dimes, three cent pieces and buffalo nickels to name a few.

Collectors warn people against trying to clean their coins as significant damage can be done and the coins value lessened.

Items of Interest:

Vintage Guitars: Martin, Gibson, Fender, National, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, Mandolins, Banjos and others

Pocket Watches: Hamilton, Illinois, Waltham, Patek Philippe, Ball, Howard, South Bend, Elgin and others

Wrist watches: Omega, Accutron, Longines, Hamilton, Breitling and many more

Old paper money: United States, Confederate States, Blanket Bills, \$1000.00 bills and more

Antique Toys: Trains, Tin wind-ups, Mechanical Banks, Robots, Pressed Steel trucks, and many more

War Memorabilia: Swords, Bayonets, Helmets, German, Confederate, Union, USA, and others

Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.



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Local Residents are ready to cash in!

By DAVID BLADE
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of phone calls from local residents this week to the corporate office of the Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery pour in inquiring about items to be purchased all this week by the team of antique buyers that is on site with OVGSR.

The team of buyers this week are purchasing a vast array of vintage items (see left) along with coins, gold jewelry, and sterling silver items the refinery deals in. It is a Local shot in the arm for our economy. The spokesperson for the event expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week at the **Bluffton Inn & Suites** paying local residents on the spot. The spokesperson for the company explained that these collectors are paying collector price for vintage items. It's a great way for people to get a great value for their items.



GENEALOGY REPORT

FULLHART

Betty E. Fullhart, 85 of Huntington passed away at 4:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at the Heritage Pointe in Warren.

She was a 1943 graduate of Roanoke High School. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the Pilcher's Chapel Church and was a member of the Huntington County Home Extension Homemaker's Club.

She was born on March 5, 1925 in Huntington County, a daughter of John F. and Mary Bertha (Smith) Schoeff.

She was united in marriage to Guy Fullhart on August 27, 1949 in Huntington County. He preceded her in death on July 26, 2002.

Survivors include two daughters: Gail Winterroth of Monticello, IL; Gwendolyn (Robert) Feemster of Mt. Morencia, IN; two sons: Gary (Debbie) Fullhart of Toledo, OH; Gregory (Michelle) Fullhart of Fishers, IN and eight grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by seven brothers: Eldon Schoeff, Ernest Schoeff, John Schoeff, Clarence Schoeff, Elmer Schoeff, Dwight Schoeff, Christy Schoeff and two sisters: Mildred Schoeff and Zelda Alford.

Services were held at the Myers Funeral Home Huntington Chapel with Dr. Veryl C. Roth and Pastor Russell Buzzard officiating.

Interment was at the Monument City Cemetery in Huntington County.

Memorials are to Pilcher's Chapel Church or to Parkinson's Foundation in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford Street, Huntington, IN 46750.

GINTER

M. Ruth Hefner Ginter, 85 of Warren and formerly of Huntington passed away at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, January 30, 2011 at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

She had worked at Memcor/Raytheon in Huntington for over 25 years, retiring in the late 1980's. She enjoyed gardening and working outdoors in the yard. Because

of her own personal struggle with Alzheimer Disease, Ruth participated in the Indiana University Alzheimer Disease study.

She was born on January 23, 1926 in Birmingham, Alabama, a daughter of James B. and Willie P. (James) Gorman.

She was united in marriage to Harold D. Ginter in April of 1982 in Huntington. He preceded her in death on November 29, 2004. She was previously married to Richard E. Hefner.

Survivors include two daughters: Vickie Randolph of North Webster; Josi (Phil) Campbell of Warren; a son: Mick (Pam) Hefner of Huntington; nine grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and four sisters.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Interment will be at the Pilgrims Rest Cemetery.

Memorials are to Huntington County Humane Society in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford Street, Huntington, IN 46750.

THORNE

Gladys L. Thorne, age 84, of Warren, died at 4:35 a.m. Sunday (January 30, 2011) at the Millers Merry Manor in Huntington.

Gladys was born on February 4, 1926 the daughter of Albert and Mary (Eviston) Hedrick in Huntington County. She was a 1944 graduate of Banquo High School, Huntington County. Gladys married Bill Thorne on November 25, 1945 in Huntington, Indiana. Bill passed away on July 4, 2010.

Gladys was the Office Manager for Thorne Insurance from 1957-1984 and Co-owner until 2005. She also worked alongside her husband on their Wayne Township Farm.

Survivors include one son – Rex A. (Cheryl) Thorne of Bargersville, Indiana; one daughter – Marilyn D. Killen of Roanoke; seven grandchildren – Kevin C. (Amanda) Killen of LaFontaine, Kristin M. (Rick) Jackson of Huntington, Sarah N. (Neal) Neukomm of Cissna Park, Illinois, Melinda J.

(Jeremy) Nix of Huntington, Jody D. (Tim) Soweija of Maple Grove, Minnesota, Stacy D. (Kevin) Conrad of Greenwood, and Kerry A. (Micah) Davis of Indianapolis; and twelve great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband and daughter, Marlene B. Little.

Services were held at the Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Bob Pefley officiating. Burial was in the Gardens of Memory, Huntington County.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mt. Etna United Methodist Church in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

COX

Celia G. Cox, 96, of 1525 W. Timberview Dr., Marion, IN, died Tuesday February 1, 2011 at 8:10am, in the Wesleyan Health Care Center at Marion, IN.

She was born Friday, March 20, 1914 in Jefferson Township, Grant Co. and was the daughter of the late Edgar Neal and the late Eva E. (Newby) Neal. She married her husband, Ralph E. Cox and November 8, 1933 in Landess, IN.

Celia's upmost ambition was to serve the Lord whom she loved more than anything and then to see Him face to face someday. Mrs. Cox was a former member and former president of the Van Buren Chamber of Commerce. She owned and operated Celia's Gift Shop for 18 years in Van Buren, IN. Celia also helped to organize and start the Van Buren popcorn festival. She enjoyed collecting dolls and was a member of the Grant County Art Association. She had been employed at the Appliance Mfg. in Van Buren for 27 years. Mrs. Cox was a member of the Lincoln Blvd Nazarene Church of Marion, IN.

Surviving are 2 Daughters, Phyllis (Clyde) Gunn of Marion, IN, Carolyn (Philip) Miller of Sebring, FL; 13 Grandchildren, 28 Great Grandchildren, 12 Great-Great Grandchildren and a Son-in-Law: Carl Stopp, Spring Hill, FL.

She was preceded in death

by her husband, Ralph E. Cox and Mother: Eva E. (Newby) Neal, Father: Edgar Neal, Daughter: Vonda Kaye Stopp, Sisters: Mrs. Hildreth Webb and Mary Kendall, Brothers: Thomas H. Neal and Donald H. Neal and a Grandson: Tommy Stopp.

Services were held at Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home with Rev Clyde Gunn, Rev Robert Osenbaugh and Carl Stopp officiating. Interment followed in the Van Buren Cemetery, Van Buren.

Memorials may be made to the Lincoln Blvd Nazarene Church 3224 S. Lincoln Blvd, Marion, IN 46953.

KRAMER

Paul O. Kramer Jr., 59, of rural Marion, IN, died Thursday, February 3, 2011 at his residence after a long battle with cancer.

He was born Friday, August 3, 1951; Son of Paul O. Kramer Sr. and the late Betty M. (Clark) Kramer. He married his wife, Linda L. (Geese) Kramer on July 1, 1978 in Marion, IN.

Paul was an avid fisherman and hunter, loving to be outdoors at all times. He was a life residence of the Van Buren area and had attended Eastbrook school systems. At one time he had been employed with General Plastics in Marion, also with Walmart in Marion, but the love of his life was the farming with Barney and Bob Taylor. Paul loved to play cards and was winning right up to the end.

Surviving are his wife, Linda L. Kramer of Marion, IN; Father, Paul O. Kramer Sr. of Marion, IN; Brother, Rick J (Donna) . Kramer of Marion, IN; Sister, Terry (Mark Reece) Stephenson of Van Buren, IN; Several Nieces & Nephews.

He was preceded in death by Mother: Betty M. (Clark) Kramer Brother-in-law: Tom Stephenson Nephew: Troy Curtis Stephenson.

Services were held at Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home with Rev Daniel Metz, officiating. Interment will follow in the Van Buren Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Cancer Services of Grant

County and Family Hospice and Palliative Care of Marion, IN.

RAY

Jerry L. Ray, 62, of Geneva, IN, passed away at 2:10 AM, on Friday, February 4,



2011 at Adams Memorial Hospital in Decatur, IN.

He was born on Saturday, January 15, 1949, in Blackford County, IN. He was a self employed mechanic and truck driver. He was a former resident of Pennville and Hartford City, IN, before moving to Geneva, IN. He attended Pennville High School.

He was the son of the late Paul William Ray and Grace Ray (Dollar) Anderson, she resides in Hartford City, IN.

Survivors include: mother-Grace Ray (Dollar) Anderson of Hartford City, Ind.; daughters-Rheannon "Dee Jay" (husband, Levi) Barker of Monroe, Ind., Sherry Clark - Aguirre of Geneva, Ind. and Jana Stapleton-Hunter of Fayetteville, N.C.; brothers-Stephen (wife, Pam) Ray of Portland, Ind. and Lanny (wife, Jan) Ray of Warren, Ind.; sisters-Sharon (husband, Don) Schisler of Plant City, Fla., Joan (husband, Monte) Sewell of Hartford City, Ind. and Carol Sue Stevens of Hartford City, Ind.; close friend-Barbara Clark of Monroe, Ind. and 10 Grandchildren.

He was preceded in Death by: father-Paul William Ray and a granddaughter-Zenobia Barker.

A Service to celebrate Jerry's Life was held at Downing & Glancy Funeral Home with Pastor Steve Sutton officiating.

Interment was at Pennville I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Pennville, Ind.

Memorials to: To The Family

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GENEALOGY REPORT CONTINUED

HOFER

Mildred A. Hofer, 101, of Warren, IN, passed away peacefully at 1:25 AM, on Monday, February 7, 2011 at Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN.



Aunt Millie (as her family lovingly called her) was born on Tuesday, March 9, 1909, in Bridgewater, SD. She was the daughter of the late John M. Hofer and the late Susan (Tschetter) Hofer.

Miss Hofer graduated from the Bridgewater High School Class of 1926 and attended Eastern State Technical College in South Dakota. Miss Hofer taught a one room school house for 3 years and then taught for 12 years in the city schools of South Dakota. She then moved to Anderson, Indiana in 1942 and worked for the General Motors Corporation for 30 years retiring in 1973. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Anderson, Indiana for over 50 years. Those who knew Millie would know that she had a wonderful sense of humor, was always uplifting to all around her, never had a bad word to say about anyone, demonstrated her great faith, and always had her Bible either in her lap or close at hand.

Survivors include: Nieces - Karolyn Tichy of Wisconsin, Shirley Beckman of Iowa, Delores Luze of South Dakota, Barbara Nugent of California, Nephews John Henken of Wisconsin, Tom Henken of Florida, A.C. Burroughs of Texas, Niece Marge Burroughs of Michigan, Nephew Alan Campbell of Indiana.

She was preceded in Death by: her parents Special Friend-Jim Keesling, Sister-Gladys Campbell, Brother-Eugene E. Hofer, Sister-Viola Burroughs, Sister-Laura Driscoll, Sister-Mary J. Henken, Nephew-Red Burroughs

Arrangements are being handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren, Ind. A service to celebrate Millie's life will be held at the Heritage Pointe Applegate Chapel (Formerly the United Methodist Memorial Home) at 3:00 PM Saturday, February 12, 2011 with the Rev Bill Methys officiating.

Memorials to: First United Methodist Church-Anderson, IN. The Christian Center-Anderson, IN. and The Harter House-Anderson, Indiana

GRAHAM

James M. Graham, 54, of Van Buren, IN, passed away at 2:48 PM, on Friday, February 4, 2011 at Salamonie Mills in Warren, IN.



He was born on Wednesday, June 13, 1956, in Saint Louis, MO. He was the son of the late Roy Graham and the late Freida (Cates) Graham. James married Kimberley Ann (Hough) Graham on May 26, 1995 in Huntington, Indiana. James worked at Salamonie Mills in Warren, IN. He attended the Heritage Baptist Church in Marion, IN. James was a graduate of Central Community High School in Clinton County, IL. He also very much enjoyed his special canine Spuds.

Survivors include Wife-Kimberley Ann (Hough) Graham of Van Buren, Ind. Son-James Michael (Megan Van Ness) Keifer-Graham of Marion, Ind. Grandson-Kason

Matthew Keifer-Graham of Marion, Ind. Sister-Debra (Jay Hawley) Marshall of Mount Vernon, Ill. Sister-Wilma (husband, Joseph) Schmitt of Summerfield, Ill. Sister-Linda (husband, Timothy) Vannata of Dix, Ill. Several Nieces & Nephews, Several Great Nieces & Great Nephews, Mother-in-Law-Karen (Bruce Blazer) Bellinger of Marion, Ind. Grandmother-Carmon Hough of Van Buren, Ind.

He was preceded in Death by: Father-Roy Graham, Mother-Freida (Cates) Graham, Brother-Rusty Graham, Grandson-Karson Keifer-Graham.

Arrangements are being handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren, Ind., where friends and family may gather to share and remember from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM Friday, February 11, 2011 and from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Saturday, February 12, 2011. A service to celebrate James life will be at Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home at 12:00 PM Saturday, February 12, 2011 with the Pastor Matt Stinson officiating. Interment will be at Van Buren Cemetery in Van Buren, Ind.

HERR

Philip E. Herr, 65, of rural Warren, Jackson Township Wells County, IN, passed away at 5:55 AM, on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at his residence.



He was born on Tuesday, April 3, 1945, in Bluffton, IN. He was the son of the late Harold Herr and the late Lavelle (Boxell) Herr. Phil married Mary Lee (Gearheart) Herr on November 16, 1963 at the McNatt Methodist Church. Phil graduated from the Jackson Center high school class of 1963. He worked at Franklin Electric for 43 and a half years before retiring in 2007. Phil was a farmer and loved his John Deere tractors. He was a member of the Asbury United Methodist Church.

Survivors include, Wife-Mary Lee (Gearheart) Herr of

Warren, Ind. Daughter-Jody (Rick) Cooper of Gaston, Ind. Son-Ben Herr of Warren, Ind. Brother-Steve (Karen) Herr of Warren, Ind. Sister-Sharon (Harvey) DeWeese of Samborn, N.H. Sister in Law-Connie Herr of Warren, Ind. Grandsons-Kurt Huffman, Kyle Huffman, Alex (Diana) Cooper, Granddaughter-Bree Campbell and Four Great Grandchildren: Laney, Tyler, Shay and Armani.

He was preceded in Death by: Mother-Lavelle (Boxell) Herr, Father-Harold Herr, Brother-Richard Herr.

Arrangements are being handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren, Ind., where family and friends may gather to share and remember from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM Thursday, February 10, 2011.

A service to celebrate Phil's life will be at Asbury United Methodist Church at 10:00 AM Friday, February 11, 2011 with the Pastor Phillip Freel officiating.

Memorials to: Asbury Flower Fund.

WHAREM

Priscilla H. Wharem, 70, of Berne, IN, passed away at 6:15 PM, on Saturday, January 29, 2011 at Adams Memorial Hospital in Decatur, IN.



She was born on Sunday, February 25, 1940, in Van Buren, IN. She was the daughter of the late Francis Slagle and the late Eldora (Mendenhall) Slagle. She was married to the late Robert Wharem.

Priscilla had a great love for her family & friends and loved all animals.

Survivors include: Special Friend-John Schwartz of Berne, IN, Daughter-Mary (Jay) Johnson of Fort Wayne, IN Daughter-Angela (Gary) Anderson of Epping, New Hampshire, Son-Richard (Sonja) Alford of Huntington, Ind. Son-Robert Justus of Epping, New Hampshire, Sister-Lonnie (Marvin) Kindley of Hampton, New Hampshire Brother-Basil (Pat) Slagle of

Deland, Fla. She is also survived by 5 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and 1 on the way.

She was preceded in Death by: Husband-Robert Wharem, Mother-Eldora (Mendenhall) Slagle, Father-Francis Dewitt Slagle, Brother-George Slagle, Brother-Forest Slagle, Brother-Ronald Slagle, Brother-Charles Slagle, Brother-John Slagle, Sister-Virginia Slagle, Sister-Lucy Burnett.

Arrangements are being handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren, IN, where family and friends gathered to share and remember Wednesday, February 2, 2011.

Memorials to: Allen County SPCA 4914 Hanna Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46806.

BIRTH

Sana Szweczyk and Justin Tobyas, of Warren, are the parents of a son, Maxwell Leszek Tobyas, born on Dec. 10, 2010, at 12:21 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, in Fort Wayne.

Maxwell Leszek weighed 5 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 17.5 inches in length. The maternal grandparents are Leszek and Basia Szweczyk, of Dubiecko, Poland.

Timothy Butts, of Wabash, and Cynthia Tobyas, of Albuquerque, NM, are the paternal grandparents.

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area is aligned closer to Southern Wells than Huntington but we don't automatically follow their closings. If the weather is questionable please call the Knight Bergman Civic Center at 375-3550 and give us time to answer if we are there. We take travel alerts and advisories serious and close when we are under a level 1, 2 or 3. Those levels are posted

on Huntington County's web site and usually announced on the local tv and radio news stations. Last Friday we were still under a travel alert level 2 even though school was in session. We at the Bargain Basement will always heed the alerts even if the school system doesn't. We want everyone to be safe and happy and ready to shop another day! Remember when in doubt, give us a call. Jan
Bargain Basement hours of

operation: Friday and Saturdays 9am-4pm.

MY TOWN and Yours
BY DENNIS STROUD

Refresher Bottling Company
The Refresher Bottling Company was started in a building where the Church of Christ now stands in 1911. Then they moved to the north next to the church. The

Bottling Works was owned by Jim Schemehorn. After operating in these two locations for two years, he built onto the left side of his barn at his home, across from where the Trailer Court is now. No machinery was used to bottle the pop. Cleaning and capping the bottles was done by hand. The pop was delivered on a flat bed wagon. A team of horses were used to deliver the delicious flavors to points such as Plum Tree,

Majenica, Mount Etna, Dillman, Montpelier and Van Buren.

The slogan for the Refresher Bottling Company was; "As good as the best and better than the rest." Refresher pop sold for fifty cents a case of twenty-four bottles. The Kolatona they bottled was sixty cents. Kolatona was a recipe given to Mr. Schemehorn by a doctor from Huntington. The

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doctor had stomach problems and claimed the celery flavored drink had cured him. The busiest time was getting ready and during fair week. They would bottle as many as ten cases, per person, in an hour. The bottling company closed in the early 1920's.

WOMEN EDUCATORS MEET

President Donna Ott presided at the January 15 meeting of the Alpha Zeta chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, International at the Huntington County Historical Museum. Pat Bergdall presented information about the history of the museum, highlighted displays, and gave a brief history of Huntington. Members attending from Huntington County were Alice Sell, Pat Bergdall, Barbara Spaulding, Carol Winterholter, Ruth Moreland, Barba Eickhoff, Ann Ambler, Barb Buroker, Jadean Barnes, Pat Hauenstein, and Jo Keller.

During the meeting, a discussion was held regarding legislation and changes in education proposed by Governor Mitch Daniels and Tony Bennett. Also, members were asked to submit nominations for the grants-in-aid and scholarship opportunities. President Donna Ott announced April 29 through May 1, 2011 as the dates for the State Convention. Barb Buroker reported on the Fall Arts Retreat which will be held November 4-5, 2011 at Camp

Allendale in Trafalgar, Indiana. Members were also asked to support FAME which will be held on March 26, 2011. The next meeting will be held at Timbercrest in North Manchester on March 6.

VALENTINE'S DAY, HOW IT ALL GOT STARTED

by V Neil Wyrick
In the process of writing this column I got to thinking on how so many things that can make a good marriage...if applied to other relationships...would make good relationships as well.

But right now... I just want to tell you the story behind Valentine's Day. If you had heard it before it is a warming experience to read it again...if not...enjoy and be motivated to love your mate and show it...and show it...and show it...and show it...yes, something's just can't be repeated too often.

Two hundred and fifty years plus after the birth of Jesus, Emperor Claudius was totally committed to rebuilding the once-great Roman army. He however believed that it was important for men to volunteer rather than be drafted. The problem was that most men preferred to stay at home with their wives and children than go off into battle. Claudius came to the conclusion that only way to solve this problem was to officially declare marriage illegal...so he issued an edict banning all further marriages.

It earned him the not too endearing nickname of Claudius the Cruel.

Meanwhile, there was a priest by the name of Valentine who thought the edict ridiculous. Indeed, one of the favorite times of his priesthood was the performing of marriage ceremonies.

So he simply just went on performing these ceremonies in secret. He would whisper the vows so no one could hear them through an open window and so he could hear any approaching soldiers come to arrest him. But one night his luck ran out.

The couple he had been marrying escaped but he was captured and thrown into jail. Now, many of the young couples he had married came to visit him in jail.

They tossed flowers and notes up to and through the barred window to his cell.

It was their affirmation of the love he had protected and proclaimed, the marriages the emperors had wanted stopped. One day the daughter of one of the prison guards came to visit. Her father allowed the two to visit and talk for hours.

She believed they had done the right thing by ignoring the Emperor's decree.

On the day Valentine was due to die, he left her a note thanking her for her friendship and loyalty. He signed it, "Love from Valentine."

And so the custom of sending Valentines began.

And the day he died and sent his "Love from Valentine" note. February 14, 269 A.D

DEAN'S LIST

Kourtney Danae Brubaker of Warren has been named to the Dean's List at Anderson University for the fall semester of the 2010-2011 academic year.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a semester grade point average (g.p.a.) of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0.

Anderson University is a private, four-year, Christian liberal arts institution of approximately 2,600 undergraduate and graduate

students. Established in 1917 by the Church of God, the university offers more than 60 undergraduate majors and graduate programs in business, music, nursing, education and theology.

COUNCIL NOTES

On Wednesday evening, February 2, the Van Buren Town Council met in the Council Room at Town Hall. At 7 p.m. president Tony Manry opened the meeting. All in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

Officer Pat Collins presented the police report. He said all officers had attended a meeting on January 19 concerning pipeline safety.

Superintendent Jim Webb gave his report. He also presented a quote from Cunningham Glass of Marion for new windows at the wastewater plant. Council accepted the bid.

Because of snow and icy conditions the February water bills were estimated.

The next Council meeting will be February 16.

FARM FRESH

The Blackford County Extension Service now has the 2011 Farm Fresh forms available to sign up for the Farm Fresh Directory for Blackford County and surrounding communities. This directory is perfect for local residents and consumers to find locally grown produce, flowers, and other farm commodities. The directory lists the grower/producer, products available, and their contact information. This is a great way to get your business growing. If you would like to be in the 2011 Farm Fresh Directory stop by the Extension Office, 119 N High St., Hartford City, to sign up. There is no cost to be in the booklet. Forms are due by March 1, 2011.

HONOR ROLL

Southern Wells Jr/Sr High School - Term 2 Grading Period Honor Roll

Grade 7 - High Honor: Jackson Bartlett, Brandt Couch, Megan Fiechter, John Hadley, Spencer

Tonner, Tori Wiese, Jessica Williams

Honor: Kyle Banks, Bryce Bonewit, Alexis Collins, Sydnee Jones, Wyatt Korporal, Chloe Maddox, Savannah Ocasio, Thomas Perry, Lorine Pluimer, Michaela Smith Autumn Stevens

Grade 8 - High Honor: Allyson Hamilton, Kyle Pinkerton, Kari Rains, Timber Tucker, Meghan Yencer

Honor: Savannah Deakyne, Jasmine Gearheart, Abby Gregg, Zane Herr, Emilee Junk, Lela Knowles, Kiara Leas, Megan Lefebvre, Cassandra Neuenschwander, Lauren Page, Brooke Penrod, Austin Rathbun, Paul Renner, Jacob Roush, Jordyn Sills Shelby Skidmore

Grade 9 - High Honor: Emily Aker, Cassandra Crickard, Tracy Furnish, Ivy Maddox, Daniel Mossburg, Mikala Page, Cole Preston, Amanda Reimer, Blade Rheinart, Alexander Schmidt

Honor: Carissa Carter, Callandra Green, Michael Hammond, Katelyn Kline, Joshua Leidig, Joshua Markley, Cori Mossburg, Olivia Mossburg, Hilary Paxson, Christa Schortgen, Dakota Simpson, Hanna Thompson, Megan Thompson, Nicholas Thompson, Aleigha Zoda

Grade 10 - High Honor: Benjamin Fiechter

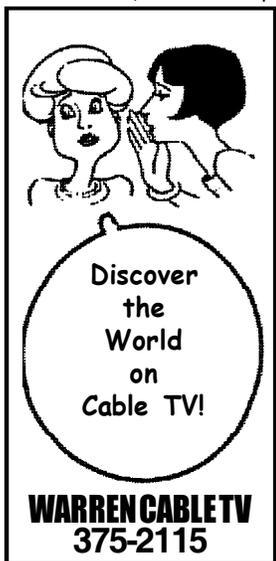
Honor: Weslee Bass, Taylor Beetz, Kayona Benefiel, Dustin Dixon, Katie Early, Taylor Estes, Marissa Geimer, Rikki Johnson, Colton Kellam, Kaylie Mccammon, Katrina Rose, Neuenschwander, Samantha Rhodes, Jase Small

Grade 11 - High Honor: Jordan Aistoft, Clayton Hamilton, Lillian Hartley, Sadie Herr, Brandon Longenberger, Bryce Longenberger, Katie Pinkerton

Honor: Joseph Biddle, Kaitlin Bonewit, Chelsea Clifton, Erica Fate, Trevor Furnish, David Haigh, Tory Harter, Talishia Holloway, Jagger Love, Kelsey Miller, Morgan Perry, Mallory Preston, Moritz Schaefer, Eli Shultz, Jayde Sills, Stephanie Snow, Maria Zigl

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ACCEPTING APPS

The Huntington County Extension Office is accepting applications for two summer program assistants. Students currently enrolled in post high school educational programs are preferred. Responsibilities include general office work, preparations for the 4-H Fair and summer judging activities, coordinate Mini 4-H support and other summer program assistance. Applications will be accepted until March 1, 2011 and can be picked up at the Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington, Indiana.

MARKLEBANK SCHOLARSHIP

MarkleBank's Board of Directors established the MarkleBank Presidential Endowed Scholarship for Huntington University students in late 2009. This Scholarship was created in recognition of the importance of Christian higher education and was given this descriptive title in acknowledgment of three MarkleBank Presidents who have demonstrated the ideals of servant leadership, character, and dedication to excellence, and who have made – and continue to make – a positive impact on the University, the Bank, and the communities we serve.

Donald Hoopingarner was born and raised in the Markle area. He joined the Bank in 1957 and served the Bank well in various capacities including

his time as Bank President from 1975 to 1998. Don provided outstanding leadership to the Bank and to the community and was a consummate community banker. He continues his leadership role even today through his involvement on the MarkleBank Board of Directors.

Travis Holdman served as MarkleBank President from 1998 to 2006. During his tenure, MarkleBank expanded its reach to serve other communities beyond Markle and Bluffton by opening branches in Huntington, Fort Wayne, and Van Buren. Travis served as President of the Huntington University Foundation Board and also served on the Huntington University Board of Trustees. Travis continues to effectively serve our community in his position as Indiana State Senator.

Greg Smitley was selected as MarkleBank President in 2006 where he serves in that position today. Greg is a 1980 *cum laude* graduate from Huntington University (then Huntington College) and he presently serves on the Huntington University Foundation Board and the Huntington University Alumni Board. Greg's wife, Patricia, is also a 1980 graduate from HU. During Greg's tenure as MarkleBank President, the Bank has experienced record asset size and profitability. Greg is also active in community involvement including his current role as President of Huntington County United Economic Development (HCUED).

All three of these individuals have contributed greatly to the growth and development of both MarkleBank and Huntington University. Dr. G. Blair Dowden, President of Huntington University, writes, "Thank you for your generous gift. I am thankful for your partnership in the mission and ministry of Huntington University. Your investment in scholarships provides much needed financial support for students who might not otherwise be able to attend Huntington University. Thank you, on their behalf, for

assisting them in their educational endeavors. I am very grateful for MarkleBank."

MarkleBank and Huntington University encourages you, or someone you know, to inquire about the MarkleBank Presidential Scholarship through Huntington University's Office of Financial Aid. The scholarship criteria are:

- Student recipient or direct relative (parent or grandparent) must be a customer of MarkleBank.
- Student shall be majoring in business or communication related areas of study or an undecided major if the student is a first-time freshman.
- Student shall have/maintain a GPA of 2.75% or higher.

TO DISCUSS WHEAT

More acres of wheat are lying under this current blanket of snow as compared to a year ago. Dry weather and a favorable price outlook convinced many area farmers to plant wheat last fall.

U.S. Department of Agriculture reports show Indiana farmers planted 430,000 acres of wheat in the fall. That total is significantly higher than the 250,000 acres planted in the fall of 2009.

An area workshop will address pest, fertility and general crop development issues for wheat producers. The 2011 Purdue Wheat Production Day takes place on March 1 at the Wells County Community Center at Bluffton. The workshop will run from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Note that basically all the wheat grown in Indiana is soft red winter wheat which is fall-seeded. It must go through a period of about 6 weeks with temperatures near freezing. This is called vernalization and it is required for winter wheat to joint, flower and produce

seed.

Fall-seeded winter wheat lies dormant until spring. Once the crop begins growing again farmers will have decisions to make, said Kiersten Wise, Purdue Extension plant pathologist and workshop coordinator.

"A lot of wheat producers in Indiana have been dealing with Fusarium head blight, or scab, the last couple of years," Wise said. "During the workshop we'll talk about managing that disease and tools producers can use to predict if a fungicide application is needed. We'll also cover topics like early fungicide applications: Are they profitable and needed to manage foliar diseases?"

Wheat scab is caused by the fungus *Fusarium graminearum*. The fungus produces mycotoxins that can be harmful to livestock and humans. Wheat seeds infected with the disease are slow to emerge and result in poor tillers.

The 2011 winter wheat crop was planted in less-than-ideal conditions, which could hurt crop development, Wise said. "Where I've been most concerned is that a lot of wheat went into the ground in very dry soil," she said. "We saw some poor stands this fall. Hopefully in the spring the crop will green up and fill out nicely."

Wise will discuss "The Latest and Greatest in Disease Management for Wheat". Shaun Casteel, Purdue Extension agronomist, will talk about "Intentional Management: Understanding Wheat Development". Other speakers include Bill Johnson, Purdue Extension weed scientist, who will address "Why Worry About Weeds in Wheat?" and Christian Krupke, Purdue Extension entomologist, who will present

"Wheat Pests: Insect Update."

Lunch is provided, and those attending the workshops are eligible for Pesticide Applicator Recertification Program credit.

Registration is required. The workshops are free but producers seeking PARP credit will be charged \$10. To register for the workshop, contact Bill Horan, educator, Purdue Extension Wells County, at 260-824-6412 or horanw@purdue.edu. The Wells County Community Center is near Indiana 1 at 1240 S. 4-H Road, Bluffton.

For more information, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

FISH FRY

The Blackford County 4-H & Open Fairboard and the Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Fish Fry on Friday, March 4 from 4:30–7:00 p.m. It will be at the 4-H Building at 310 E Park Ave. in Hartford City. The cost of the complete meal is \$8.00 for adults (13 years and older) and \$4.00 for youth between the ages of 12-5. Children under the age of 5 are free.

Tickets will be available at the door.

For more information about this upcoming event, please contact the Blackford County Extension office at (765) 348-3213.

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LIFEGUARD TESTS

Lifeguarding tests for already-certified lifeguards who want to work at DNR State Parks and Reservoirs properties will be held at no cost to the participants on April 3 in Muncie, and April 17 in Corydon.

Applicants must already be certified in Lifeguarding and CPR for the Professional Rescuerto be eligible to attend the test at either site; the tests are not a recertification of any type. Testing will include blood borne pathogens, a written test and a water test. If you passed the DNR test in 2010 and worked as a DNR lifeguard in 2010, you do not need to take the test for 2011.

The Corydon test is at the Harrison County YMCA. The test in Muncie is at Ball State University's Lewellen Aquatic Center.

To get to the Corydon site, take I-64 to exit 105. Go south on Hwy. 135, turn left onto Hwy. 337 South toward downtown Corydon. Follow Hwy. 337 South approximately 1 mile, then turn left on Foundation Way, which is between a restaurant and insurance office, and follow to the YMCA.

To get to the Muncie site, go down the main road on campus, called McKinley. Enter by the pool and follow signs to room HP 100.

Registration at both sites starts at 8:30 a.m. The test will start at 9 a.m. at both sites and should conclude by 2 p.m.

The week after the tests, applicant's scores will be sent to the property they request.

WELLS 4-H OPEN HOUSE

The annual 4-H Sign Up Day and Open House will be held Saturday, February 19th, 8 AM – 12 Noon at the Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

4-H members and families are encouraged to stop by to fill out membership forms, meet with your club leaders (pick up last year's record notebook), pay your club dues, and pick up this year's manuals and meeting schedules.

4-H volunteers will answer questions and get you signed up for 2011.

The club schedule for the event will be:

8–10 AM - Hurryin' Harrisons (Harrison Township), Liberty Township Happy Go Lucky, Jackson Township Jaguars, PATRIOTS 4-H Club, Rockcreek Rollers (Rockcreek and Union Townships)

10 AM – 12 Noon - Chester Chargers, Jefferson Township Knightriders, Lancaster Township Achievers, Nottingham Township Nobles

Information tables will also include schedules and forms for Archery, Horse & Pony, 4-H Dog Obedience Club, 4-H Shot Gun Safety, and Mini 4-H.

If the date is not convenient, families are welcome to stop by the Purdue Extension Service Office located at the 4-H Park where they can pick up a 4-H membership form. The membership form can also be found at: www.extension.purdue.edu/wells

4-H membership forms for Wells County are due April 1, 2011.

Youth may become 4-H members when they enter

third grade and may continue their membership through the completion of grade 12. Each individual may continue membership for a maximum of ten (10) consecutive years.

Mini 4-H forms will also be available for youth in grades 1 & 2.

If you have questions about any project, please call your 4-H Club Leader or the Wells County Extension Office, 1240 S. 4-H Road, Bluffton IN 46714, 260-824-6412 or email rsherer@purdue.edu.

TACK AUCTION

The Wells County 4-H Horse & Pony Club will host a Tack Auction on Saturday, February 19 at the Wells County Community Center, 4-H Park, Bluffton.

Doors will open at 5 PM and the Auction will begin at 6 PM. Carlo & Sonja Moore will be the tack vendor and consignments are available. Donated items are encouraged for the silent benefit auction.

Food and beverages will be available. All proceeds to benefit the Wells County 4-H Horse & Pony Club. For more information and consignment details, contact Lisa Toliver, 708-224-7030 or Rhonda Phillips, 260-557-4745.

HU BLOOD DRIVE

The Huntington University's Joe Mertz Center for Volunteer Service blood drive set for Feb. 2 has been rescheduled for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feb. 25 in the upper level of the Habecker Dining Commons due to weather cancellations.

If you were previously signed up or had a conflict for Feb. 2, make sure to sign up again in the dining commons.

The Joe Mertz Center hosts four blood drives each year in conjunction with the American Red Cross.

Individuals who are interested in donating blood may register online at www.givelife.org or in person in the dining commons at Huntington University. Walk-ins are also acceptable, but everyone participating must have a photo ID. The blood drive is open to the public.

The JMC is also asking for

volunteers to help on the day of the drive.

FAIR BOARD MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Association will meet Tuesday, February 15 at 7:00 pm, Heritage Hall, Hier's Park, Huntington. The board will discuss plans for its bi-annual Benefit Auction on Saturday, March 26 and continue plans for the annual County 4-H Fair to be held July 15-29.

For more information, the Purdue Extension – Huntington County office at 358-4826, located in the County Courthouse Annex Building, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington or contact Linda Aldridge, Extension Educator 4-H Youth, at laldridg@purdue.edu.

AG WORKSHOP

Licensed private pesticide applicators in Indiana are encouraged to attend a recertification training session on Friday February 18. This session will be held at the Sportsman's Club at 816 E 3rd St. in Warren, IN from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

A lunch will be provided by Crop Production Services in Warren beginning at 12:30 p.m. Fred Whitford, coordinator of Purdue Pesticide Programs, will be presenting the topics, "Keeping the Trailer Hitched to the Truck" and "Keeping the Implement Hooked to the Tractor". Ed Farris, Purdue Extension Educator in Huntington County, will also discuss Category 14 manure and fertilizer applicator certification.

A \$10 fee is required for those who wish to obtain recertification credit for attending the program. Attendees who wish to obtain credit are reminded to bring their Indiana Private Pesticide Applicator license number with them. Please pre-register for the program by calling Crop Production Services in Warren at 260-375-2770 by February 17.

If you have questions, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension –

Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

PESTICIDE WORKSHOP

Purdue Extension and the Huntington County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) are hosting a producer workshop on February 22. This session will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Huntington University Dining Commons. Program registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.

Residents of Huntington County and surrounding areas who are licensed private pesticide applicators in Indiana are encouraged to attend this workshop. A \$10 fee is required for those who wish to obtain recertification credit for attending the program.

Attendees who wish to obtain credit are reminded to bring their Indiana Private Pesticide Applicator license number with them. RSVP for the program by calling the Huntington County Extension Office at 260-358-4836 or by calling the SWCD office at 260-356-6816 Ext. 3.

Attendees are asked to pre-register for the workshop by February 10. Lunch will be provided by sponsors.

The workshop includes the following presentations:

- Eileen Kladvko, Purdue Agronomy Dept. - "Managing Agricultural Drainage for Water Quality"
- Barry Fisher, State Agronomist, Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) - "Integrating Cover Crops Into Your Rotation"
- Ed Farris, Purdue Extension Educator – "New Manure & Fertilizer Applicator Certification Rules (Commercial Category 14)"
- Fred Whitford, Coordinator of Purdue Pesticide Programs - "The Impact of Water Quality on Pesticide Performance"

Tim Bomba, District Conservationist, NRCS, and Elonda Shirmeyer, Farm Service Agency, will also provide information about the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP), Environmental Quality



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Incentives Program (EQIP) and other farm bill updates.

Note that the workshop presenters, Fisher and Kladviko, are both involved with the upcoming Midwest Cover Crop Council (MCCC) meeting in Ada, OH on Feb. 23 – 24. Fisher will be a featured speaker at this meeting. The MCCC Web site (<http://www.mccc.msu.edu/index.htm>) is a great resource for learning more about cover crop species that may be suitable for crop rotations in this area.

Kladviko's presentation will discuss recent advances in reducing soil nitrate losses from the field through management practices.

Whitford has co-authored many Extension publications. His presentation will highlight the effects of pH, hardness of water and water quality on pesticide applications. More information about the Purdue Pesticide Program can be found at this Web site: <http://www.ppp.purdue.edu/>.

If you have questions, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

CLASSES AT SALAMONIE LAKE

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services will hold an Indiana Master Naturalist class at Salamonie Reservoir Interpretive Center from March 17 through May 12. The classes are on Thursdays from 6-9:30 p.m.

The Indiana Master Naturalist Program is an educational/volunteer program developed by the DNR and Purdue University Extension. IMNP brings together natural resources specialists and adult learners to understand Indiana's plants, water, soils and wildlife. Participants will be able to use their newly learned skills as volunteer interpretive naturalists, working with UWIS.

Class size will be limited to 30 students. The fee for the class is \$75. The registration deadline is March 1. The park entrance fee will be waived for students.

To register or learn more about

the program, call (260) 468-2127 or contact Jody Heaston, program coordinator, at jheaston@dnr.IN.gov.

ARE YOU IN A JUGGLING ACT

by The FlyLady
Marla Cilley

We all have a scared little kid living inside of us. We like to think of ourselves as being all grown up; after all our age and our bodies are matured. Somewhere along the way we have felt like we were losing control and we have worked hard at taking control of every area of our lives; only to feel even more out of control.

That scared little kid inside of us is trying so hard to not mess up. We want to show the world that we are good at what we do. We don't want anyone to not like us, this is why we say "YES" to anyone who asks us to do something. We don't want to disappoint anyone and most of all we don't want anyone to know our dirty little secret. That secret is that we are not really in control; we are faking it!

Is this beginning to sound like a juggling act to you? We can keep a few pins in the air for a minute or two and then someone throws us one more thing to juggle. Eventually one after another pin starts to hit the floor. I guess there is always a straw that breaks the camel's back.

If you will think back in your life; you will see when those pins started coming at you too fast. Maybe your children came close together or a loved one died. You could have started a new job or moved. Eventually something had to fall by the wayside. Most of the time it was you and your home! You didn't even realize you were neglecting yourself. You just thought you didn't have time!

That little child in you wants to do it all by herself. She doesn't want to ask for help! The lack of control she is feeling has her pushing everyone away that could and would help her. Why can't we do it by ourselves? I think this is the question we have all wanted to know for a long time.

I don't think it is that we can't; it is just that it does not come naturally to us. We need to be

taught. Since that little child in us does not want to let anyone know she is faking it and doesn't really know how to do handle everything; she silently beats herself up for not knowing it all! Does that sound like anyone you know?

When you look at the FlyLady cartoon character, you can identify with the different faces that she has. One minute you need a cheerleader, the next minute you may need a fairy Godmother. Then there are times that you need a loving mother figure to lift you up or gently remind you of something you have not done. She is always dressed to shoes with a bright smile on her loving face. You see her wings and know that she can FLY.

You too have many different faces and they are all merged into the real you. The real you wants to be loved and to love! You want to be appreciated and respected! You don't like being angry and feeling bad. You want to feel happy and enjoy life not just go through the motions keeping all the pins juggling in the air. What you really want is peace! In order to find this peace; you are going to have to make peace with all the different faces you have. The scared little child needs to know that it is going to be fine. You don't have to be perfect to be loved. The rebellious little child needs to know that she is being heard and that housework, exercise and food is not punishment. The happy-go-lucky little child needs to know that she can go out and play. Our lives have many different faces. None of us can go back in time and change our parents, but we can re-parent ourselves with the love that we extend to our children and our grandchildren. Let's use a kinder voice and help this part of us grow up and quit fighting the adult part of us. When we can embrace with love the parts of us that are scared, looking for love, respect and kindness; we can let go of our need to always be in control or look like we are in control and finally merge our adult and hurt little child into a happy person who is FLYing! Finally Loving Yourself, all parts of you, is the key to making peace with all those faces.

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FIND EASY WAYS TO SAVE

Nothing gets people thinking about saving money more than watching all those holiday credit card statements start rolling in. The beginning of the year is the perfect time to take a look at your finances to see where your money is going and how you can prevent it from disappearing. The Federal Citizen Information Center is armed with an arsenal of publications to help you cut costs and become a smarter consumer:

- Shop around for the best deal on homeowners insurance. 12 Ways to Lower your Home Insurance Costs shows you how to get what you need, and not overpay for unnecessary coverage. Use Your Home Inventory to assess what you have in your home, and how much you should be spending on insurance to cover it.

- While the things inside your home cost money, so does what's parked just outside of it.

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- Having one or two ways to save money is great, so how about 66? From utilities to prescription drugs, 66 Ways to Save Money will show you how to keep your pennies, and get you brainstorming your own outside-the-box saving techniques.

- From conserving money to getting the biggest bang for your buck, the Consumer Action Handbook is your free annual guide to safely navigating the marketplace. Use it to spot scams and frauds or resolve complaints you might have with a company. You can also use the Guía del Consumidor, the Handbook's counterpart for consumer information in Spanish.

For more ways to save and manage your hard-earned cash, check out the "money" section of the Federal Citizen Information Center's website, and follow the bloggers on GovGab, the blog from the government offering tips and tricks on making your daily life easier.

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