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Thought for the Week: *No man is good enough to govern another man without that other's consent.* Abraham Lincoln

40 DAYS OF PURPOSE

Have you ever wondered, "What on earth am I here for?" Do you think you may have missed God's will for your life? Join us at the Warren Methodist Church for the 40 Days of Purpose Campaign to learn God's 5 purposes for your life, then put the purposes into practice through the personal disciplines, group connections, and church-wide events that will take place during the six weeks of the Campaign. Imagine the impact on our community if all of us were committed to living out God's purposes in our lives.

This weekend we will address the 3 most common questions people have about life:

The question of existence: **WHY AM I ALIVE?**

The question of Significance: **DOES MY LIFE MATTER?**

The question of Intention: **WHAT IS MY PURPOSE?**

There is not a thinking person on this planet that has not wondered about these three fundamental issues of life! So, this weekend is, by far, your BEST opportunity you've had in a long time to invite family, friends, and neighbors to join you at the Warren Methodist Church! They will love this service, and they'll thank you for caring enough to invite them.

Please join us for the Inspirational Worship at 10:30am. You won't want to miss the incredible kick-off event on Sunday, January 15, @ 5:00 for a Stuffed Potato Supper and @ 6:00 for the awe inspiring video presentation from Pastor Rick Warren, the creator of the 40 Days of Purpose. If you have any questions and you want to be a part of this 6-week campaign, please call 375-3871.

CLOSED FOR RENOVATIONS

Natalie Jeanne's will be closed from January 16th until February 3rd for winter holiday and renovations! See you in February! Helen and Michael

WINTER PANTRY

The Sunflower Co-op members hope that all of you enjoyed the Summer Farmers Market in downtown Warren. We would like to invite you to the "new" Winter Pantry on the second Saturday morning of each month starting in February. Location is 127 Wayne Street in the Pulse Opera House Lobby, downtown Warren. First Market will be February 11, the Saturday before Valentines Day.

Plans are underway for the Sunflower Co-Op Summer Farmers Market. As you look through your catalogs, plan to order extra plants for your garden and come join us at the Market this season. It's a great way to meet your friends and share good Indiana Veggies and Fruits. Questions? Call 260-375-2442.

THE PLAN IS ON!

It's time to start planning the 2006 Salamonie Summer Festival and your help is needed! Plan to attend the first meeting on Monday January 16th at 6:00pm in the town annex. All meetings will be held on the third Monday of every month, same time and place.

Officers for the 2006 year will be elected and plans will begin. Chairmen and committees for all events will be filled so get there to pick your spot on the schedule.

Any and all ideas are welcome; lots of people are needed to pull together this four day event so please come and be a part of Warren's 39th annual Salamonie Summer Festival.

For questions regarding this meeting or the festival in general call Vickie Grim at 260-375-3900.

AEROGALATES

Did you make a resolution to get in shape or lose weight? We can help you with that. Free exercise classes Tuesday and Thursday

evenings 5:00-6:15pm at the Van Buren United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall 105 S. Second St. Classes start with a good warmup and 30 minutes of easy aerobics followed by 45 minutes of Yoga with Pilates. We like to call it Aerogalates. Join us for Fun, Fellowship and Fitness. More info? Call 765-934-9960

FOUNDATION RECEIVES GIFT

The Indiana 4-H Foundation has received a generous gift to establish an interest-free loan fund to enable former 4-H members to finish their college careers.

The Myers Family 4-H Loan Fund, given by Debbie Myers Croxall, a Carmel resident, in honor of her father, Raymond Myers, will grant loans of up to \$2,000 for 4-H alumni who are in good standing at any Purdue University campus for their Junior and Senior years.

Raymond Myers (1906-2003), a right-handed carpenter with an 8th grade education, contracted polio in October 1927 at the age of 21. There was no cure or treatment and the doctors did not expect him to live. With much determination, he learned to walk and to use his left hand in a right-handed world.

Because of his lifeless right arm and bad limp, no one would hire Mr. Myers. In 1930 his grandfather co-signed on a \$5,000 loan so Raymond could buy a 140 acre farm and he was never again out of work. It took 11 years of hard work to pay-off the loan. Raymond never accepted, "I can't" from his family. "Where there is a will, there is a way," was his guiding force, according to his daughter.

While Raymond never had the opportunity to be in 4-H, he encouraged his son, Oral, and daughter, Debbie, to complete 10 years. Debbie attended Purdue-University with the help of a 4-H scholarship.

The Myers 4-H Loan Fund was created to honor the memory of

this great role model who overcame great obstacles with hours of arduous work under very trying circumstances.

Applications and guidelines for the loan fund are available through county Purdue Cooperative Extension offices or from the Indiana 4-H Foundation, 225 South East Street, Suite 760, Indianapolis, Indiana 46202. Applications can also be downloaded from the Foundation web site at www.4h.org.

Applicants must have a 2.5 GPA, have been in 4-H for at least five years, and have need. Loans are interest free if paid back according to the repayment plan set up with the student and a co-signer. As funds are repaid, more loans can be made.

A second loan fund, the Bob Amick 4-H Loan Fund, has been in place over 25 years for students studying on the West Lafayette campus of Purdue University. Since its inception, the Amick fund has enabled 79 4-H'ers to finish their college careers.

Incorporated in 1961, the Indiana 4-H Foundation is a not-for-profit organization committed to actively obtaining contributions to support Indiana 4-H programs. In 2006 it will contribute over \$150,000 to the Indiana 4-H program.

Established 101 years ago, 4-H is the largest youth development program in the state of Indiana. Involvement by 4-H members is diverse, with 29% active in suburbs and cities with populations over 50,000, another 50% in small to medium towns and cities, and 21% on farms.

MODEL/TALENT SEARCH

On Saturday, January 21, 2006 at 11:30am, Charmaine Agency will be scouting for models, actors, dancers and singers for the Millie Lewis -Actors, Models & Talent Competitions in Orlando, Florida.

The chosen individuals will meet face to face with the Lead-

ing Model Agents, Film & Casting Directors and Record Companies from Elite, Next, MTV, Trump Models, Jet Set Kids, FFT - Funny Face Today, World Top Models, Mattel Toys, Abrams Artists, MGM, Sony Music, Twentieth Century Fox just to name a few.

The auditions/interviews are for Men, Women and Children, 4 and up. Bring a recent snapshot. 18 years and under should come with a parent. Models should be prepared to walk the runway. Singers & Dancers will do a 1 minute performance with their own back up music. Actors will do a cold reading.

Audition/Interviews are at 11:30am on Saturday, January 21, 2006 at Charmaine Agency - 3538 Stellhorn, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46815. Call 260-485-8421.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Van Buren Town Council held their first meeting of 2006 on Wednesday evening, Jan. 4. President Tony Manry called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Officers for 2006 were elected, including president, Tony Manry; vice-president, Marvin Surber. Surber was also named to the Fire Board.

Linda Long reported on progress of the local Garfield Project. The local Garfield logo is expected to be in place before the 2006 Popcorn Festival. A new company will be doing the local project and the cost is expected to be about \$9,000. At the next committee meeting a contract is expected to be signed.

A number of people are reported to be putting out more than the allotted number of bags for trash pick-up. At the last pick-up it was noted that one resident had 32 bags plus other containers.

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Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

STAY ACTIVE TO BE HAPPY, HAVE MORE ENERGY

It's cold outside, you've barely recovered from the holidays, and a lot of people have the sniffles. You might not feel like working out, but it's just what you should do now, according to new federal research.

They say one week without exercise increases fatigue by up to 20 percent. After two weeks, their study subjects started to show signs of depression.

If you can't make yourself go to the gym, do a lower-intensity routine in your living room. After a few sessions, you'll feel more like working out.

FEDS DEFINE 'PREVENTIVE CARE'

High deductibles on health insurance policies could mean that people avoid care because they can't afford it.

Many health insurance companies cover preventive care, but what they will pay for varies from one company to another. Before entering a health program or taking a test, ask whether your health insurance plan will pay for it.

When it comes to health-savings-account plans, the federal government says these expenses can be covered before the deductible is met:

- * Child and adult immunizations.
- * Tobacco cessation programs.
- * Obesity weight-loss programs.
- * Prenatal and well-child care.
- * Health evaluations, including tests and diagnostic procedures ordered in connection with routine examinations.
- * Screening services, such as Pap smears and screening for prostate cancer.

VEGETABLES AND CHOLESTEROL

A study reported in the *Annals of Internal Medicine* shows that people who ate a low-fat diet that included many fruits, vegetables, legumes, and whole grains experienced twice the drop in total cholesterol as people who ate a low-fat diet based on reduced fat prepared foods.

Some doctors say vegetables are the “new statin.”


BANISH THOSE HARSH LIGHTS!

In the last few years, the lighting industry has introduced dozens of light bulbs, including a flattering fluorescent, halogens, and new incandescent that go beyond soft. The new style lighting has increased sales for lighting manufacturers.

It's doing something good for baby boomers. They want to emphasize their good looks rather than have harsh shadows make them look years older.

Movie and television stars have always known that lighting can make or break a viewer's impression of them. It's only recently that everyone else has realized that a glaring light in the living room casts shadows that make them less attractive.

In times past, colored light bulbs were recommended for giving the skin a healthy glow. Unfortunately, they affected the color of everything else in the room.

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Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:30a.m.
Youth Hours 6:00p.m.
Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.
Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Van Buren, Indiana
765-934-2199
Rev. Pat Mullen, Pastor
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday 10:00 a.m.
Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.

THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica
Rev. Gus Hacker
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
260/468-2148
Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor
Sunday
Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m.
Come As You Are
Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult
Studies - all Sunday 6:00 p.m.

JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST
Corner of 900S & 300W
Kathie Jones, Pastor
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

WARREN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-3022
Gerald O. Moreland, Minister
Todd Winkler, Youth Minister
Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt.
Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
8888S 1100W-90, Warren
375-2779
Dick Case, Pastor
Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.
Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.
2nd Worship Service 10:30a.m.
Youth Group (6th-12th).5:30p.m.
Wed - Circle of Friends
(3yrs old - 5th grade) .. 6:30-8p.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.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
375-2330
6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
Rev. Andy Trowbridge, Pastor
Wesley Welch, Supt.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service ... 7:00p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
694-6622
Pastor Dan Sommer
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship 9:55a.m.
Worship 10:15a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
468-2412
Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Church School 10:45a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
758-2085
Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor
Sandy Keplinger, Supt.
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
8294S 900W 35
Gary Riley, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Thurs. Kings Kids 6:30 p.m.
BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.
CWF Ladies (3 Tue) 6:00 p.m.
1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour. 6:30 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Steve Bard, Pastor
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
375-2510
Bill Keen, Pastor
Bus Service 375-2510
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.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-2102
Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor
Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Communion 1st Sunday of the Month
Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.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.
ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship
Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life
Debbie Wiley, S.S. Supt.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
765-934-1431
Pastor Blake J. Neff
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45a.m.
Jr/Sr High UMYF (Sun)..... 6-7:30 p.m.
Prayer-Bible Study (Thur)..... 7:30 p.m.
UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 p.m.
www.vanburenumc.org

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.
Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
Sunday School 10:30a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
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765/664-8726
Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor
1st Worship..... 8:20 a.m.
2nd Worship..... 9:45 a.m.
3rd Worship 11:11 a.m.
Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-2691
Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
468-2411
Doug Sharrard, Pastor
Teresa Davis, S.S. Supt.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME
SUNDAY:
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN
Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.

ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier
Rev. John Wallace, Pastor
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

Attend the Church of Your Choice

AREA NEWS

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It was reported that some people are parking on the sidewalk in front of D&S Lubratory. This seriously obstructs the view of motorists. Also there were reports of people parking too close to stop signs which also creates a hazard.

There was a report of a dog that had bitten a resident some time ago and at times still attempts to bite when not tied up.

Council approved a "No Smoking Ordinance" for the town. This includes all town property and vehicles owned by the town. The Ordinance will not be enforced for 30 days.

Officer Pat Collins gave his report. He said there were no problems during the holidays.

The Department had received a number of complaints of cars and trucks parked on sidewalks, often blocking the view of motorists at intersections.

Prices are to be obtained for lap top computers for the Department.

Superintendent Jim Webb gave his report. All meters had been read in December. He also gave a total report for 2005 activities.

There were pump problems at the Wastewater plant.

Senator Ford will hold meetings Jan. 14 and Feb. 11 at the Van Buren Town Hall.

The next Council meeting will be Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.

CHOSEN

Chosen will be the message by Dr. Blake J Neff at morning worship this Sunday at Van Buren United Methodist Church.

A commissioning service will be held that morning also for 18 people going on the mission trip to Gulfport MS. Those traveling to Gulfport January 21 through 28 are Byron Brankle, Randy Church, Bernard and Nancy Cook, Kent Gressley, Tom Jones, Jennifer Neal, Black and Nancy Neff, Donnie Plummer, Tom St John, Bob and Karen Smith, Chad Smith, Marvin Surber, Randy and Sheila Thurman and Keith Wolfgang.

NEW AT WPL

New books received at the Warren Public Library include:

Adult fiction – Long Time Coming by S Brown; The Justice Riders by C Norris; The Red Hat Society's Acting Their Age Even Now by K Kingsbury; Lakeside Cottage by Wiggs; If You Could

See Me Now by Ahern; On the Run by Johansen; Every Breath You Take by McNaught; Just Rewards by Bradford; Mad River Road by Fielding; All Night Long by Krentz; The Hostage by Griffin.

Adult non-fiction – Perfect Love, Imperfect Relationships; Smart and Simple Financial Strategies for Busy People; Bad Childhood, Good Life.



ATTENDED NATIONALS

Heather Marie Leazier, Miss Jr. Teen of Northern Indiana, recently competed in the national Cities of America competition held in Orlando, Florida. Heather competed against over one hundred other young women in her age division. Contestants united in Orlando from all over America. Also accompanying Heather to Orlando were her proud parents, Jim & Cindy Leazier her younger sister, Megan and her pageant consultant, Jasmine Heaston. Heather and Jasmine worked together weeks before the competition to ensure Heather's confidence and pageant knowledge. Heather earned her title of Miss Jr. Teen of Northern Indiana on September 17th 2005. She earned a \$1000.00 scholarship and plans on searching for other scholarship possibilities to help her further her education after her career at Huntington North High School. Heather learned about her opportunity to compete for a national title, and immediately started working for sponsorship towards this fantastic opportunity to represent young women in northern Indiana. Her sponsors consisted of "R" bakery, Reflections Photography, DeWeese Soft water & Appliances, Warren Pharmacy, Honey-Hills Salon, Ken & Julie Forney, Accent Interior, Cadys Express, PJ's Flower and Gift Shop along with Pat and Ralph Eltzroth. Heather would like to

thank her sponsors for helping make it possible for her to experience such a wonderful opportunity. After getting a little taste of the pageant industry, Heather has decided that Pageantry is definitely something she intends on making a hobby out of. Now that her feet are wet and her ambitions are high, Heather is ready and searching for future opportunities to help her grow.

IDLE HOUR

The Idle Hour Club met in the Fahl dining room for lunch on Monday, January 2, 2006 with Edna Alfeld as hostess.

The business meeting was held in the Calico Lounge. The President, Edna, gave the thought for the day. "Of all the things you wear your expression is the most important." She gave a reading "Why Should I Worry." Roll call was taken. Secretary-treasurer reports given. She read a card sent by Violet Yoars. Devonna Lease thanked the club for the cards and flowers she had received.

7-Up was played with Freda Finley high and Helen Trout low.

Those enjoying the day were: Edna Alfeld, Ruth Brooks, Jean Boxell, Freda Finley, Mildred Gilbert, Jane Haley, Margaret Knight, Devonna Leas, Marjorie Lieurance, Clara Mossburg, Georgia Poulson, Miriam Rice, Evelyn Schweikhardt, Helen Trout.

The next meeting February 6, 2006 will be at the Home. Each one is to bring a valentine. Georgia Poulson will be hostess.

SIGMA PHI

Beta Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority met January 3 for a business meeting at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center.

President Sondra Zabel presided over the business meeting. Secretary-aid Sandy Booher read the minutes of the December business meeting. Treasurer Tara Korporal gave the treasury report.

TANNING

at
Creative Elements

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Peggy Sue Clark reported for the Cub Scouts that their Pinewood Derby would be later this month.

Finance Chairman Rosemary Zeller said the Sunday luncheon we have previously prepared on the first Sunday in May, has been changed to the first Sunday in April. So this year it will be April 2, with more details later.

Chaplain Georgia Poulson closed the meeting with prayer.

Those present were Sandy Booher, Peggy Sue Clark, Sandy Eichhorn, Sharon Gebhart, Suzette Gephart, Carol Irick, Tara Korporal, Beth Ostermeyer, Jenny Plummer, Georgia Poulson, Elise Smith, Shelly Stafford, Sondra Zabel and Rosemary Zeller.

NEW YEAR STORIES

Thirteen children attended the New Year Party held after school, at the Van Buren Public Library, on Friday January 6, 2006.

The children entered the library and signed in. They received a picture to color of a snowman with a sign where they could print or write Happy New Year. These will go to our service people to enjoy.

Karen read from the book "New Year's Day" by Alike. The children shared some of the fun

times they had on New Year's Eve. I think everyone here had fun welcoming the year 2006 in with their family.

Games were next on the list. We played ring toss and did relay games.

Refreshments were cool-aid, cookies and candy.

Those attending were: Jackson Reid, Nixon Smith, Aurora Follis, Tyler Follis, Autumn Smith, Eddie Quick, Emily Bryant, Olivia Bryant, Elizabeth Bryant, Kaylee Morgan, Baylee Morgan, Emilee and Storm Wright.

Next story time will be Friday January 13th we will celebrate Pharmacist Day.

The library staff would like to wish everyone a Happy and Blessed 2006.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Jackson Township Euchre Club met with Joan Huffman hostess. Doris Tyler won High, Joyce Willman had Low and Marjorie Michaud had the most Lones. Others enjoying the evening were Carolyn Carroll, Jane Lieurance, Mary Jo Zoda, Sharon Gebhart, Rosemary Helm, Phyllis Dickey, Marge Jones, and Florence Taylor. The next meeting will be at the home of Mary Jo Zoda.

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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.

Jan 14	Knight Bergman Center Board Meeting 8a.m. at KBC
Jan 18	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Jan 20	Warren Recycle Day
Jan 23	Warren Town Council, 8 a.m., Assembly Hall
Jan 29	Sunday Lunch sponsored by PROS @ KBC 11-1
Feb 1	Warren Chamber of Commerce, Noon, Assembly Hall
Feb 1	Van Buren Town Council 7 p.m.
Feb 2	Groundhog Day
Feb 3	Warren Recycle Day
Mar 24	Salamonie School Carnival, Food-Games-Fun

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. **Bargain Basement** - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC **Depression Support Group** 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 **Walking in the Gym** at KBC 7-11 a.m. Mon-Fri **After School Adventure** - Tuesdays & Thursdays, after school till 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Perfect attendance at Salamonie Elementary School for the period of October 20 through December 22, 2005 are as follows:

Kindergarten: Carson Bolinger, Gage Bustos, Chase Elkins, Sam Ellenburg, Brady Johnson, Conner Mason, Hannah Schindler, Benjamin Warpup, Madalyn Weller, Maggie Winters, Rachel Ervin, Paige Grable, Jacob Link, Esmee Oolman, Henry Sackett, Leigh Ann Trickle

First Grade: Robert Bolinger, Shelby Bowman, Kayci Clark, Johnna Cummins, Elijah Link, Lily Sabinske, Nicholas Stucky, Jared Coolman, Garrett Girvin, Corrie Glisson, Hayley Haynes, Meghan Lowe, Amanda Pugh, Sophia Smekens, Brooke Trice

Second Grade: Austin Best, Mason Boyd, Brandon Jackson, Elizabeth Mitchell, Carlie Moser, Zachary Parks, Olivia Bolinger, Madison Canady, Kaitlyn Drayer, Mikayla Gray, Delaney Huff, Paul Keen, Alexandria Mercker, Katherine Pugh, Jonathan Schindler, Ian Spencer

Third Grade: Samuel Berry, Blake Gray, Brittney Helms, Shane Hester-Spann, Samuel Lawson, Jacob Leming, Andrew Nelson, Dipen Patel, Kari Rains, Elijah Vance, Zachery Bettinger, Tyler Boxell, Julissa Bravo, Maria Coffield, Mariah Garner, Elizabeth Moser, Matthew Shafer, Kyle Skidmore, Joseph Thomas, Damon Westlund, Lina Willard

Fourth Grade: Jared Bradford, Dale Buff, Alysse Bustos, Grant Canady, Wyatt Cocklin, Halie Collins, Paige Coolman, Quentin Custer, Lea Gamble, Demarcus Langston, Kelsea McCune, Ashley Mitchell, Wesley Smith, Nicholas Wilburn, Thomas Bolinger, Kaitlynn Burnworth, Alaina Ellenburg, Jarek Fishbaugh, Brady Herr, Cassidy Johnson, Austin Menchaca, Krista Reed, Connor Sabinske, Michael Thompson, James Yeager

Fifth Grade: Emily Hethcote, Taylor Lahr, Chandler Langston, Anthony Lawson, Adam Nelson, Bruce Shafer, Mackenzie Sharpe, Austin Stucky, Britney Thornsby, Samuel Bensley, Taylor Boxell, Jason Ervin, Donnavon Freeman, Shaleenah Grim, Tanner Kinsey, Austin Kistler, Catherine Morarity, Dakota Plasterer, Tess Widener

Sixth Grade: Emma Ainsworth, Elizabeth Blinn, Ian Bockmon, Brandi Booher, Jordan Bowlds, Shelby Bradford, Victoria Bryant, Erin Burnworth, Jennifer Coolman, Tory Couch, Nola Cummins, Cyrus Dorsett, Steven Freck, Chase Gray, Luke Greene, Ashton Grube, Cassandra Hacker, Valaree Harmon, Jenna Heaston, Hunter

Heiland, Rachel Herr, Shelby Hiner, Bridget Holly, Briana Johnson, Jeffrey Kimmel, Joel Knight, Samuel Kratzer, Cody Lemming, Andrew Menchaca, Lacie Millard, Joshua Platt, Cameron Pressler, Christopher Robbins, Antonia Romero, Spencer Sabinske, Matthew Sharrard, Austin Shaw, Nicole Smith, Jessica Stucky, Kearsten Surber, Victoria Waters, Candice Wright, Maria Zigl.

7th Grade: Erica Ackerman, Douglas Baker, Katie Beckler, Shelby Boxell, Alexander Bradford, Ashley Bradley, Cody Brandebury, Emmanuel Bravo, Jacob Burnworth, Jacob Dillon, Ashlyn Douglas, Kaylie Dunn, Ryan Fernandez, Colton Frecker, Katherine Fruit, Zachary Grable, Dylan Gray, Anthony Griffith, Austin Hott, Brad Jennings, Zachariah Kendell, Richard Lewis, Evan Lowe, Colin McIntire, Shaye Mentzer, Anthony Nelson, Drew Owen, Tyler Park, Jordan Parrot, Joe Pierce, Jacob Piquene, Jordan Prilaman, Andrew Puckett, Ashton Purcell, Whitney Ward, Matthew Ralston, Kirsten Westlund, Michael Ralston, Taylor White, David Reynolds, Taylor Wilburn, Christopher Ripley, Phillip Zook, Josephine Rybolt, Kyce Sparks, Mitchell Sprowl, Laura Stafford, Curtis Thomas, Britney Turner

8th Grade: Joel Abbott, Jacob Ainsworth, Taylor Allred, Lauren Bauerbach, Jennifer Beals, Ashley Bennett, Jorden Bennett, Channing Bice, Hayley Bradford, Alyssia Brown, Kourtney Brubaker, Blake Campbell, Kelsey Carey, Sarah Carter, Jacob Daggett, Kryston Davis, Stewart DeWitt, Jessica Ehler, Aaron Forney, Paige Huff, Danielle Jennings, Megan Karst, Dillon Kinsey, Erin Knight, Kirsten Konz, Andrew Landrum, Treasure Lewis, Colten Long, Michel Montgomery, Kayleigh

Mower, Kailey Neff, Matthew Plasterer, Collins Ralston, Elizabeth Rice, Joshua Rybolt, Emma Sabinske, Kevin Shafer, Kayla Shultz, Destiny Steward, Lacey Travis, Shelley Wehr, Michael Wells, Taylor Westlund, Paige Widener

4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarship applications are available at the Huntington County Purdue Cooperative Extension Office:

Career Advancement Scholarship: Indiana Extension Homemakers Association (IEHA) is offering twelve \$500 scholarships to Indiana homemakers who are 25 years of age or older. These scholarships are used to complete education or upgrade vocational skills. One must be admitted to, or cleared for admission, to an academic or vocational school which is state licensed or accredited. Preference will be given to a person studying at an undergraduate level. Scholarships will be awarded with regard to financial need. Former recipients may re-apply. Deadline is March 15, 2006.

Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship: The County Women's Council (CWC) offers a \$500 scholarship to a woman demonstrating leadership ability and financial need. This scholarship can be used to supplement tuition, books, or other required educational needs. Deadline is January 15, 2006.

9 COUNTY ART SHOW

The Honeywell Center in Wabash will be accepting entries for the 13th Annual Nine-County Art Show on Sat., Jan. 28, between noon and 3:00 p.m.. Artists from Wabash, Miami, Grant, Huntington, Kosciusko, Howard, Whitley, Fulton, and Cass Counties are eligible. Ac-

cepted entries will be on display in the Honeywell Center's Clark Gallery Feb. 1 through Feb. 18. Sponsorship of the art show is provided by B & I Agencies with additional funding from Wabash County Arts Council for the Best of Show award.

Categories are painting (oil, acrylic, and gouache), watercolor, and drawing/pastels. Participants may enter up to three pieces. The maximum size of all artwork should not exceed 48". The entry fee is \$15 for up to 3 entries. Entry labels must be completed and be placed on the back of each piece. Labels may be obtained with contest guidelines at the Honeywell Center Box Office or by calling (260) 563-1102. Labels and guidelines are also available at www.honeywellcenter.org.

Awards will be presented to the Best of Show and first, second, and third place winners in each category. Awards are: Best of Show \$250; First Place \$100; Second Place \$75; and Third Place \$50.

The Clark Gallery is open for viewing all day, seven days a week. Artwork will be available for purchase through the Honeywell Center Box Office from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mon. through Fri., and Sat. from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Honeywell Center is north central Indiana's premier entertainment facility, with more than 3,000 events and 200,000 visitors annually. Concerts, conferences, charity galas, art exhibits, and educational outreach

programs are among the diverse events held at the Honeywell Center. All programs are provided with support from Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne, the Indiana Arts Commission, a state agency, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency. For a complete show listing, visit the Honeywell Center website at www.honeywellcenter.org.

4-H OPEN HOUSE

Huntington County 4-H will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, January 15 from 2:00-3:30 pm at Heritage Hall, Hier's Park, Huntington. This open house will provide families an opportunity to learn more about the county 4-H program, meet with 4-H club leaders, view examples of 4-H manuals and projects.

Information about the Huntington County 4-H Program was distributed to 3rd 4th and 5th grade students in Huntington County schools during the first week in January. This information explained many aspects of the 4-H program and promoted the 4-H Open House scheduled for January 15.

Any boy or girl in grade 3 through grade 12 may enroll in 4-H and must complete an official 4-H Club Enrollment Form no later than April 1, 2006.

For more information, contact the Purdue Extension Office, located at 354 N Jefferson Street - Suite 202, County Courthouse Annex or phone (260) 358-4826 or email laldridg@purdue.edu.



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GENEALOGY REPORT

KINSEY

David "Bud" Kinsey, 73, of Bluffton died Thursday afternoon, Jan. 5, 2006, at his residence.

A longtime Bluffton resident, Mr. Kinsey was sole owner/operator of K&N Development and Welding Shop. He was formerly employed by the City of Bluffton for several years, and also previously owned and operated the Liberty Center Landfill. He attended Kings Highway Tabernacle.

Born April 20, 1932, in Georgia to McKinnley and Allie (Watts) Kinsey, his marriage on July 9, 1966, in Taswell, Tenn., was to Hazel I. (Durham) Kinsey, who survives.

Other survivors include children David Bruce Kinsey, Wesley Kinsey, Mrs. Bruce (Brenda) Murray and Tracy Kinsey, all of Bluffton, and Mrs. Tomas (Kimberly) Gonzalez of Lansing, Mich.; a great-grandson residing with David and Hazel, Zachariah Browning; siblings Ethel Ferguson and Linda King, both of Bluffton, and Ruby Millington, Ruth Harris and Jewel Baker, all of Georgia; 16 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Rhonda Jean Kinsey; and three brothers, Pete, Frank and Harold.

Services were held at Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home with Rev. Jim Poling and Rev. David Henry officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the family.

BERRYHILL

Betty M. Berryhill, 84, of Warren died at 6:45 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, 2006, at United Methodist Memorial Home, Warren.

A homemaker, Mrs. Berryhill was a member of Pilcher's

Chapel Church, Huntington.

Born May 18, 1921, in Butler to Edmund and Faye (Zern) Freeman, her marriage on June 7, 1939, in Indiana was to Chester A. Berryhill, who preceded her in death on June 14, 2005.

Survivors include two sons, Larry Berryhill of Warren and Jerry Berryhill of St. Thomas, VI.; a sister, Virginia Bry of Auburn; a brother, Billy Freeman of Fort Wayne; five grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Helen Griffin; and a brother, Don Freeman.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren with Rev. Russell Buzzard and Pastor Doug Sharrard officiating. Burial was in Lancaster Cemetery, Huntington.

MILLER

A former Markle resident, Max R. Miller, 86, died at 2:44 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, 2006, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Miller worked as an order puller at the K-Mart Warehouse in Fort Wayne for 27 years, retiring in April 1983. He attended Seminary United Methodist Church in Roanoke, and was a longtime volunteer with the Markle Fish and Game Club.

He served in the U.S. Army National Guard for five years during World War II. He was a former member of American Legion Post #160 in Roanoke.

Born Sept. 30, 1919, in Huntington County to Roscoe S. and Helen (Jennings) Miller, he was a 1938 graduate of Markle High School. His marriage on Feb. 14, 1947, in Markle was to Wava M. Sheets, who preceded him in death on July 9, 2004.

Survivors include a daughter, Marilyn Fleischman of Roanoke; a son, Kevin L. Miller of Elkhart; a brother, Carl D. Miller of

Winona, Minn.; three grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services were held at Myers Funeral Home, Markle with Dr. Veryl C. Roth officiating. Burial was in Markle Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to Seminary United Methodist Church or the Markle Fish and Game Club.

DROLL

Virginia B. Droll, 87, of Hot Springs, AR died Dec. 29, 2005 in Cambridge Place Nursing Home, Marysville, Kan.

She was born January 10, 1918 in Clarksville, Texas to Ralph and Tressa (Hardin) Bailey and was married February 9, 1946 in Huntington to Joseph Droll. He preceded her in death September 4, 1996.

Mrs. Droll was a homemaker.

Survivors include children, Mark (Anita) Droll of Marysville, Kansas, and DeLee (Charles) Johnson, of Hot Springs, Arkansas; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

Services were held in Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren with Dr. Gilbert W Anderson presiding. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Warren.

Memorials will be designated at a later date in care of Terry Chapel and Funeral Home, P.O. Box 61, Waterville, Kan. 66548.

WILSHIRE

Loren G. "L.G." Wilshire, 84, Upland, died Tuesday, January 3, 2006 in the VA Northern Indiana Health Care System, Marion.

He was born November 6, 1921 in Jenks, Okla., son of the late Perry and Nora (Sine) Sowerwine. He married Margaret Ann (Banter) Wilshire on Nov. 12, 1950, in Van Buren. She survives.

He attended schools in Liberty Center, Wells County. A former Van Buren resident, he worked as a laborer for the Bell Fiber Box Factory in Marion, retiring in 1986 after 40 years. He was a member of Van Buren Central Christian Church where he was a member of the Sonshine class and also was a former elder. He also was a former member of the Van Buren Lions Club. He worked part-time farming at Brankle Farms in the Van Buren Township and also was a handyman at D&S Lubritory in Van Buren for several years. He served in the Army from 1944 to 1946. He received the Purple

Heart medal for wounds received at Belete Pass, Luzon.

Survivors include wife, Margaret; son, Dennis Wilshire, Miami, Fla.; daughter, Nila Whirl, Anderson; grandsons, Eric Whirl, Marion, and Travis Whirl and Curtis Whirl, both of Winterhaven, Fla.; sister, Wanda Williams, Marion; brother-in-law, Ray Forst, Muncie; and niece, Sue Barnett, LeMarque, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father; daughter, Barbara Jean Wilshire; sister, Anna Mary Forst; brother, George Barnett; and brother-in-law, Ralph Williams.

Services were held in Central Christian Church, 201 S. First St., Van Buren, with Pastor Pat Mullen officiating. Interment with military rites followed in Gardens of Memory cemetery, Huntington County.

Visitation was held at Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 S. Main St., Van Buren, and prior to services at the church.

Memorials may be made to Central Christian Church, Van Buren, with envelopes at the funeral home.

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

4-H SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Huntington County Extension Office has information and applications for a number of scholarships available to 4-H members.

Many of the scholarships are for current seniors in high school, however, there are some scholarships in which high school sophomores and juniors may apply for. The Extension Office is able to help youth determine which scholarships they are eligible for.

Some scholarships have an application deadline of January 15, so members need to contact the Extension office for information.

For more information, contact the Purdue Extension Office, located at 354 N Jefferson Street - Suite 202, County Courthouse Annex or phone (260) 358-4826 or email lalldridg@purdue.edu.

WINTER EAGLE WATCHING

Winter, with its bare tree limbs, offers Hoosiers one of their best opportunities to view bald eagles in Indiana, especially around the state's larger, ice-free reservoirs and rivers.

Three DNR properties will host Eagle Watch activities in January and February.

- Jan 14 - Patoka Lake's Eagle Watch includes eagle watching caravans, educational programs, and a close-up look at C-52, a live bald eagle that resides permanently at Patoka Lake's Visitor Center. Call 812-685-2447.

- Feb. 3-5 - Monroe Lake's Eagle Watch takes place at Fourwinds Resort in Fairfax State Recreation Area on the west side of the lake. The weekend-long event includes birding hikes and tours to eagle hot spots around the property. Call 812-837-9546.

- Feb. 4-5 - Cecil M. Harden Lake's Eagle in Flight Workshop will be at Raccoon State Recreation Area. The half-day programs include a search for resident bald eagles and a backyard bird feeder project. Call 765-344-1412.

Each property charges a nominal program fee. Call each property for registration before the event. Dress for the weather, arrive with your vehicle fueled for the viewing tours, and bring binoculars or a spotting scope.

Patoka Lake is near Jasper in southern Indiana. Monroe Lake is southeast of Bloomington. Raccoon State Recreation area is on state Route 36 in Parke and Putnam counties in west-central Indiana, 50 miles west of Indianapolis and 35 miles north-east of Terre Haute.

More state reservoir and park information and maps: <http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/index.html>

More Monroe Eagle Watch information: www.eaglesatlakemonroe.com

INVEST WISELY IN 2006

With the start of the New Year, many people will resolve to improve their financial security by looking into investment opportunities. To steer clear of risky ventures, the BBB is urging would-be investors to carefully evaluate the investment product or program, its promoters and its sales pitch.

"Every day, the BBB system nationwide hear from consumers who invested in what they thought were solid and sure money-makers. They abandoned their common sense and succumbed to enticing promotions that were short on details but full of dollar signs," said Steve Cole, president and CEO of the Council of Better Business Bureaus.

According to Michael Coil, president of the northeast Indiana BBB, investment schemers frequently try to peddle products using sales pitches that are "tied to the headlines."

Recent suspect promotions include oil-and-gas schemes (higher gas prices are on everyone's mind), bird flu stock scams (from companies claiming to have products to fight bird flu), "get rich quick" real estate investment seminars (to take advantage of soaring housing prices), advance stock notifications for Mexico-based companies (to serve growing Hispanic populations), and investment pools (to help hurricane and tsunami victims).

To avoid falling victim to fraud, the BBB advised investors to be particularly cautious of any of these red flags:

Words like "risk free," "guarantee," "high return," or "limited offer." According to government regulators, no financial investment is "risk free" and a high rate of return means greater risk.

Offshore scams and investment opportunities in other countries, particularly if they claim to be "tax-free" and "confidential." If you send your money abroad and something goes wrong, it will be particularly difficult to locate your money.

Promises of "quick" profits or "fast" cash, "ground floor" opportunities, offers to share "inside" information, and pressure to invest immediately because the "market is moving."

"Before making an investment decision, get the facts in writing," said Coil. "At the very least,

you should obtain and verify the following information."

If the investment and seller are licensed and registered.

If there is a record of complaints about the promoter or the investment company at the BBB.

The costs to buy, hold and sell the investment.

The risk that you could lose the money you invest.

The rate of return to expect on your money and when.

The company's headquarter location, how long it has been in business, and its product or service.

What the promoter is being paid to tout the investment opportunity.

In addition, the BBB advises investors to always request and carefully read through financial information about the investment, such as a prospectus, annual report, offering circular and financial statements.

"Compare the written information to what you were told or read online. Beware if you are told there is no such information available," said Coil.

CONSUMER/BUSINESS TIPS

Medicare Prescription Drug Scams are calling seniors, masquerading as "approved" providers or government officials, and offering to sign them up over the telephone. Their goal is to get personal and financial information that they can use to steal their identities or money. How do you tell the good guys from the bad guys? Every senior citizen should have received the Medicare & You 2006 handbook. It explains drug coverage and which plans are available in your area. Legitimate providers are not allowed to market door-to-door or via unsolicited e-mails, and they must abide by the federal and state do-not-call laws. They should also be willing to provide information through the mail, and be willing to wait to obtain personal and financial information until after you decide to enroll. To verify the legitimacy of any provider call Medicare at 1.800.medicare (633-4227), which is open 24 hours a day. Information is also available at www.medicare.gov. NOTE: The BBB received a phone call from a concerned northeast Indiana consumer requesting an alert if possible advising seniors and their caregivers or relatives of people visiting their houses to inform them about the Medicaid Plan D or prescriptions plans and they are requesting cash and social security numbers. She knows of two cases where this has happened in Fort Wayne. The se-

niors did not have any information, but they handed money to strangers to receive whatever information.

Guidewood Lotto Inc. A consumer sent us a letter they received from this lottery, saying the consumer was the winner of an award of \$60,000. The letter was ignored by the consumer, but a phone call followed asking, "Why did you not respond, you're a winner" and so the conversation continued. After more conversations, the consumer received a document informing them that a check of #3980 was issued and it was a "Tax Clearance Fee" and needed to contact Guidewood Lotto Inc. for further instructions. The informed the consumer to do the following:

Issue a money order via Western Union in the amount of \$2,100 and send it to Derek Cohoon, an individual at RR810, Ontario, Canada, 00256,

Issue a money order via Western Union in the amount of \$1,800 and sent to Binie Cousin, an individual at box 210, Invermay, Saskatchewan, SOA1NO.

Get the picture? The BBB has no reports generated on this company and cannot substantiate satisfactory or unsatisfactory. Chances are, this same letter has popped up in mailboxes and this "company" will go on to use another company name in the future. Our WARNING to consumers is NEVER, EVER give out personal information!

E-mails regarding Counterfeit Checks from KeyBank National Association, Cleveland, OH have been forwarded to the BBB from consumers. The first sentence states that "The above named bank (KeyBank) has reported that counterfeit cashier's checks issued in the bank's name and using a correct routing number of 122037171 are being presented for payment. At the bottom of the e-mail, they then say, "You can verify the authenticity of KeyBank National Associations Cashier's checks by con-

tacting 1-900-433-0124."

Protective Services & Senior File. These are the company names seniors and other consumers are being given. What they are looking for is their checking account number. The information they are giving over the phone is vague. Thankfully, we have consumers who did not fall for it and reported it to the Bureau.


Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police has hired a fundraiser to collect donations from Hoosiers. The BBB has requested information. The organization has chosen not to disclose information such as governance, finances and fundraising. According to the Attorney General's Office, the professional fundraiser is keeping 74% of the donations. The BBB suggests no more than 35% be kept by the fundraiser. Fundraisers must comply with the Indiana Do-Not-Call List. PLEASE NOTE: A northeast Indiana woman received a pledge amount that her husband has pledged \$25.00 to this fund. Unfortunately, her husband passed on May 15, 2005 and his business phone was disconnected on May 15, 2005.

Phony emails claiming to come from the FBI or CIA are being received all over Indiana and the country. The email states that your computer has visited 30 or so illegal Internet addresses. The email requires the consumer to click on a link to "answer some questions." Consumers that have fallen for this scam find that they have downloaded the Sober.U computer virus. Thanks to the Toledo BBB for this tip.


Liberty Promotions is notifying Hoosiers that they have won large sums of money. An Indiana consumer was told that to qualify he had to purchase a 1% temporary insurance policy. He was instructed to wire the money to Costa Rica. The money is supposed to be 100% refundable. Weird! The company gives a Louisville address, which

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

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turned out to be a vacant lot. This is a scam. Just don't do it! Thanks to the Louisville BBB for this tip.

Operations Claim Agency is sending an Assignment Party Determination certified letter informing consumers that, for a fee, they will represent and assist them in claiming their prize. One Howe, Indiana consumer was told that her "prize breakout" is over \$20,913,400.08. She was to pay a \$100 fee for the company to represent her. Thank goodness she contacted the BBB. The company states that they are not a sweepstakes company, but instead are a sweepstakes reporting service. Whatever they are, they have the Bureau's lowest rating.

Advantage America is contacting Hoosiers stating that they are eligible for government grants, up to \$8,000, for a processing fee of \$49.95. Mail being sent to the Florida company is being forwarded to somewhere in the West Indies. The North Dakota Attorney General's Office issued a Cease and Desist order against this company in November 2005.

MIT Financial is conducting investment seminars. One of them was held in Indianapolis in November 2005. An Avon couple claims they did not sign a contract with MIT, however, \$10,000 was debited from their credit card. This company has claimed to be BBB members and also that they have "an impeccable record" with the BBB. Both statements are not true. 46 complaints have been filed against this Utah company.

National Verification Office is calling throughout the Midwest asking for bank account information and mother's maiden name. The caller states he or she needs this information because the consumer's bank account information had been stolen and posted on the Internet. The caller states that the information is needed in order to remove it from public viewing. If a call like this is received - HANG UP!

Business Alert - Liberty Publishing and Booster Club Productions is calling businesses in the Noblesville area saying they are printing the Noblesville High School (NHS) football schedule on posters. This is supposedly a fundraiser for the NHS Athletic Department. There is a 10% discount if the ad purchase is made over the phone with a credit card. There is no agreement between NHS and this company. New Haven, IN businesses have also received calls from several companies claiming various fundraising activities. PLEASE

check these companies out with the BBB prior to giving any information to them.

CEMETERY TOURISM COMES TO LIFE

Grave hunters say it's an interesting, relaxing hobby that gets them off the expressways. But if you have a goal such as visiting the graves of all US presidents, it can be expensive as well.

Gravers are an assortment of history buffs, celebrity hounds, military aficionados, and amateur genealogists. They like the tranquility of a graveyard, the connection to the past, the beauty, the thrill of the hunt, and the feeling they get from being close to famous people, even though they are dead.

Cemetery tourism is not new. Thousands of people visit Arlington and Gettysburg national cemeteries each year. And many tourists visit the graves of movie stars in cemeteries around Hollywood. But grave hunting is different. Gravers hunt for graves of specific people, be it Marilyn Monroe, George Custer, or their great uncle. Some hunters limit themselves to Civil War figures or movie stars.

Some people enjoy walking through graveyards, wherever they are located. It's peaceful, and reading the inscriptions on gravestones is interesting, especially those from the turn of the century and before. For information on graves, visit Wikipedia.com: Find A Grave. It lists locations of graves of people who were well-known or not-so-well-known.

WANT TO INVEST IN REAL ESTATE?

Investing in real estate has become a popular way for people to protect their savings. Investors can be young or old, male or female, and they certainly don't have to be rich. Before investing, however, realtors say people should be aware of these important facts.

Property bought as an investment may have a higher interest rate than a home where you will live in personally. The down payment required by financial institutions may be higher, usually 10 percent of the purchase price. Finding the right property is paramount, say realtors. Homes can be found everywhere and in all price ranges, but the adage of "location, location, location" holds true for investment properties as well as for homes.

If you are capable of making repairs, and can make time to do them, buying a distressed property can be profitable. It should be surrounded by well-maintained homes of higher

value. Later, you'll be pleased to sell for a nice profit.

Choosing a property that will be easy for you to monitor and maintain is an important factor. The best choices are properties near your home or located on your way to work. The successful investment buyer usually has time for hands-on involvement with the property including management, maintenance, and renovation.

Investors must make themselves knowledgeable about legal issues of being a landlord and know how to pick a tenant. In the long run, real estate can be a more secure and lucrative alternative to traditional investments.

WOMEN'S DRESS CLOTHES BACKS WILL BE BARE THIS SPRING

Designers exhibiting spring collections during New York Fashion Week want the world to look backward, say Wall Street Journal reporters. The Spring 2006 collection featured many backless dresses, gowns, and tops from Oscar de la Renta, Donna Karan, Doo-Ri, Carmen Marc Valvo, Rachel Roy, and Ellen Tracy.

One top just showed the shoulder blades, a halter dipped low, and a cocktail dress had no back at all.

Fashions that used to be about short hemlines and low-rise jeans are focusing on the curvy backs of women. Designer David Wolfe of the Donegar Group declares that the back is "the new erogenous zone." The Donegar Group acts as consultants to hundreds of American retailers.

Those in the know say bare backs have eased into style over the last two years. Some women wanted to show off their lower back tattoos.

MEN LOOK SLIMMER IN THE RIGHT CLOTHES

Many men buy suits that are at least a size too large, which makes them look heavier. For a slimmer look, try dark-colored suits such as navy blue, charcoal gray, or brown.

Pinstripes help the body appear longer, creating the illusion that the wearer is a little slimmer.

When buying a suit, make sure the shoulder seam ends immediately at the edge of your shoulder. Sleeves should be long enough to reach all the way to the wrist with a sliver a shirt sleeve showing.

Pants without pleats or only one pleat are most slenderizing, according to Men's Fitness.

COMING SOON: FUEL CELLS TO POWER CELL PHONES, OTHER GADGETS

Fuel cells are a dream in the making, but makers like Toshiba and others are on the verge of making it happen.

It can be inconvenient to recharge a cell phone or music player. You need an electrical outlet and a couple of hours to do it. Fuel cells can change that.

They combine hydrogen with oxygen to produce electricity in a way that is potentially cleaner and cheaper than other energy sources. Unlike batteries, fuel cells produce electricity rather than storing it. To recharge a device, the user refills it from a bottle of methanol.

That means you will be able to juice up portable gadgets while on the run rather than plugging them in to wall sockets to recharge.

Toshiba's basic version of the fuel cell is about the size of an old-style Zippo cigarette lighter. Like the lighter, it is refilled with a bottle. The fuel cells are strong enough to power about five hours of cell phone conversation or music. That's 2 1/2 times longer than a lithium-ion battery.

It will probably be another year before fuel cell phones come on the market. Toshiba and Hitachi Ltd. are developing cell phones that run on or are recharged by fuel cells. In the U.S. Hewlett Packard and Motorola are leading in the developing fuel cell technologies.

Other than convenience, the fuel cells have other benefits. They don't contain the environmentally hazardous metals or

chemicals that most batteries do. When they combine hydrogen with oxygen from the air to produce electricity, water is the only exhaust.

PROTECT YOUR COMPUTER

PC security seems like an overwhelming topic, but by taking one step at a time, you can make a difference. Here are two that will help maintain your defences.

* Install a second virus scanner and update it regularly. Some viruses can disable your virus scanner. A second virus scanner will limit the damage. Symantec, Trend Micro, and McAfee are good programs that can automatically update themselves, but you must be connected to the Internet at the scheduled update time.

* Disconnect from the Internet when you aren't using it. Being hooked up leaves you open to an attack. If you have a firewall, you can see attempts by others reaching out to probe your computer for vulnerabilities. Firewalls let you know when it's happening. This type of probing will occur whenever your computer is on and connected to the Internet. Checking out of the Internet leaves you vulnerable for a shorter time.

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TOOTH TIPS

By: Dr. Kevin J DeaKyne DDS, PC
KIDS, SODA POP & TOOTH DECAY

We have become a "Soda Junkie" Society. In 2000 15 billion gallons were sold. That works out to at least one 12-ounce can per day for every man, woman and child.¹ How does the soda give you cavities? Sugar in your soda plus bacteria in your mouth equals acid. Acid attacks your teeth. Each attack last about 20 minutes. Statistics for soda with acidity (lower number is worse) and sugar content.²

Top 7 Acidity (ph) 7 is neutral

1. Pepsi 2.49
2. Coke 2.53
3. Orange Minute Maid 2.80
4. Hawaiian Fruit Punch 2.82
5. Squirt 2.85
6. Diet Pepsi 3.05
7. Diet Coke 3.39

Top 7 Highest Sugar

1. Grape Minute Maid 11.9 tsp
- Orange Slice 11.9 tsp
2. Orange Minute Maid 11.2tsp
3. Mountain Dew 11.0 tsp
4. Barq's Root Beer 10.7 tsp
5. Hawaiian Fruit Punch 10.2tsp
6. Pepsi 9.8 tsp
7. Coke 9.3 tsp

60% of all public and private middle schools and high schools nationwide sell soda pop (Elem. Schools?). This has led to drastic increases in tooth decay in kids (and adults) along with other possible health problems including obesity, caffeine dependence, and weakened bones. We can reduce the chances for tooth decay by drinking soft drinks in moderation. No sipping for extended period of time. Ongoing sipping prolongs sugar and acid attacks on your teeth. Use a straw to keep sugar away from your teeth. Drinking more water to dilute sugar and acid. (It's better for you anyway!) Some other ways to help reduce decay is good brushing and flossing habits with regular checkups and cleanings at your dentist.

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