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Thought for the Week: *Stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong.* Abraham Lincoln



Steve Rodenberger (as Felix Unger) and Scott Nedberg (as Oscar Madison) in the Pulse Opera House production of "The Odd Couple"

"ODD COUPLE" OPENS MARCH 3

The 20th Anniversary Celebration continues at the Pulse Opera House with the opening of Neil Simon's "Odd Couple." The first show of the 2006 season opens March 3 and runs through March 18.

When Neil Simon opened his door and found his brother standing there, little did he know it would be the beginning of a comic classic. "The Odd Couple" is supposedly based on Simon's own experiences with his divorced brother. The play began on Broadway, was made into a movie, became a TV series and most recently re-opened on Broadway.

Following in the footsteps of Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau; Tony Randall and Jack Klugman; and Matthew Broderick and Nathan Lane are Pulse veteran actors Steve Rodenberger and Scott Nedberg. The pair stars as the mismatched roommates who are both dealing with life after divorce. Also in the excellent cast are David Scribner, Mark Esch, Randy Neuman and Darren Turney as the poker buddies. The "coo-coo" Pigeon sisters are Kim Nedberg and Vicki Myers. The show is directed by Cynthia Smyth-Wartzok with technical direction by Ron Wartzok.

The show starts at 8:00 p.m. with doors opening at 7:30 p.m. (Why not start the evening early by stopping by East of Chicago first?) Tickets are \$12 per adult and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be reserved by calling (260) 375-7017 or from the web site at www.pulseoperahouse.org. Season tickets are \$100 for five shows and will be available through the run of "The Odd Couple." Donations to the 20th Anniversary Season can be sent to the Pulse Opera House, P.O. Box 631, Warren, IN 46792.

SEND YOUR FAVORITE OUT-OF-TOWNER, COLLEGE STUDENT OR RELATIVE A SUBSCRIPTION TO THE WARREN WEEKLY. IT MAKES A TREASURED GIFT EVERY YEAR. (SEE PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS)

PRAISE NIGHT

The singing group "Falling on Faith" will be at First Baptist Church on Friday evening, February 24th from 7-8:30 p.m. for a night of worship. Come and enjoy the fun! There is no admission fee for the concert, but there will be concessions for sale to help the youth raise money for future activities.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Calling all players interested in playing on the Warren area teams of Huntington County Baseball and Softball (new this year). Sign-ups will be held on Saturday February 18 and Saturday February 25, from 9 am to 12 pm at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center. Teams consist of Boys and Girls ages 7-17. For more information contact Chod Boxell at 375-2458 or attend one of the sign-up sessions.

FAT TUESDAY SUPPER/RACE

On Tuesday, February 28th the UCC will sponsor a Pancake & Sausage Supper Fellowship at the Knight-Bergman Center. The meal will be pancakes, sausage, butter, syrup, fruit cup and beverage. Serving times are 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the main area.

Tickets are available from church members. Prices are Adults - \$5.00, Kids 5-11 - \$2.50 and Kids under 5 are free. So bring your family to enjoy the food and a pancake flipping race. We will take on all comers who want to try.

40 DAYS OF PURPOSE

Our journey together through this Campaign has been marvelous! We have seen our people getting plugged in through a variety of ways: they have plugged into our church by attending; they have plugged into faith by being faithful; they have plugged into fellowship by joining a small group; they have plugged into service by

wanting to join a ministry; and they have plugged into missions by trying an outreach! What a joy it is to experience the Purpose Driven Life together. Everyone please join us this Sunday, February 26 for a life changing Message and Rohnna's drama @ 10:30 am. Immediately following is our Celebration Sunday and Ministry Fair - Enjoy carnival food and games! Then next week we look forward to what God has in store for the Warren Methodist Church. If you have any questions about the Warren Methodist Church or need any information on the Purpose Driven Life, please call 375-3871.

LIVESTOCK PREMISE

Property locations housing livestock such as cattle/bison, cervids, swine, sheep, or goats must be registered with the Indiana State Board of Animal Health by September, 2006. There will be an informational meeting on premise identification on March 7th at the Blackford County Fairgrounds beginning at 6:30 PM. Dr. Jennifer Greiner, Indiana Board of Animal Health, will present the program. For more information, contact the Blackford County Extension Service, 348-3213.

MUSIC AT DILLMAN

Come and join us for an evening of Blue Grass, Country and Southern Gospel favorites presented by the White River Boys of Anderson University with Southern Wells graduate, Trent Palmer, as lead singer. The fun takes place at the Dillman church in beautiful downtown Dillman on Sunday February 26 at 6 p.m. Free will donation. Light refreshments following.

DINNER

The Mt. Etna United Methodist Church will hold an 'All-You-Can-Eat' Chili and Chicken Noodle Soup Supper Tuesday, February 28th with serving from 4:30 to

7:00 P.M. Other menu items include a Hot Dog, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Apple-sauce, Dessert and Drink. Adults are \$6.00. Children 6-12 \$3.00, 5 and under free. Ralstons' "R Bakery" will have baked goods for sale. The church is located at the intersection of State Roads 9 & 124.

SUNDAY LUNCH

Sunday March 5 from 11am - 1pm at the Knight Bergman Center. The Buffet, sponsored by Warren Church of Christ, will include Ham, Lasagna, Chicken, Vegetables, Desserts and Drinks.

Free will donations accepted. Proceeds to Bread of Life Food Pantry and Knight-Bergman Center.

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

March 1, 2006 is the 4-H enrollment deadline! This deadline is just around the corner.

If you would like to join 4-H, you need to pick up an enrollment form from the Grant County Extension Office, Grant County Office Building, 401 South Adams Street, 4th floor, or by calling 765-651-2413.

Join 4-H by March 1. Learn to make the best better!!

NELSON'S CHICKEN BBQ

Kids Kampus™ childcare center of Huntington is holding a Nelson's Chicken BBQ Fundraiser on Friday February 24th from 3:00 until 6:30 in Wal-Mart of Huntington's parking lot. Tickets can be purchased for \$5.00 in advance by stopping in at Kids Kampus located on 435 Campus Street in Huntington between 6:00 AM and 6:00 PM Monday thru Friday. Tickets will also be available for \$5.50 during the BBQ at Wal-Mart. The price includes a tasty 1/2 chicken and chips. All proceeds from the BBQ will go towards Kids Kampus childcare center.

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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

DEAR EDITOR:

At some point during our childhoods, someone asked us, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" We didn't hesitate to rattle off a list of dreams - firefighter, doctor, veterinarian, artist, teacher, astronaut, ball player, President of the United States of America.

There was nothing to hold us back. Every activity was an exploration; even if it scared us, we still gave it a try. And we had the support of the friends we met along the way. Girls of all ages are dreaming of their future, and you can help make their dreams come true by purchasing a box of Girl Scout cookies.

Through our annual Girl Scout Cookie program, girls learn the importance of personal responsibility, the value of goal-setting, the spirit of teamwork and the thrill of accomplishment. As they take orders for America's favorite tasty treats, they learn about business ethics, customer service, marketing, advertising and money management. Additionally, they build confidence by developing public speaking and interpersonal communication skills. Then, when delivery time rolls around, they learn the importance of fulfilling commitments.

Buy a box or two today - you'll be helping girls navigate the mystifying path to adulthood.

Sincerely,
 Sherri Weidman CEO

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for being so generous and quick to share your old Christmas cards with Faith-Based Mentoring for our November project. We have had a tremendous response and in fact, are no longer in need of them. We are however still in great need of those metal ends off of those concentrated juice cans. So, as you are making your juice, save those pieces for us!

Thanks for your support!!
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<p>WARREN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.</p> <p><i>Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery</i></p> <p>WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022 Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Todd Winkler, Youth Minister Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt.</p> <p>Fellowship9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m.</p> <p>DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779 Dick Case, Pastor</p> <p>Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Sunday School.....9:30a.m. 2nd Worship Service10:30a.m. Youth Group (6th-12th).5:30p.m.</p> <p>Wed - Circle of Friends (3yrs old - 5th grade) .. 6:30-8p.m.</p> <p>McNATT UNITED METHODIST 375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt.</p> <p>Coffee Fellowship.....8:30 a.m. Worship9:15 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Steve Bard, Pastor</p> <p>Morning Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m.</p> <p>HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 375-2510 Bill Keen, Pastor Bus Service 375-2510</p> <p>Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m. Youth Group (Wed.).....6:00 p.m. Wed. Midweek Service.....6:30 p.m.</p> <p>UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102 Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor</p> <p>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.</p> <p>THE NEW BEGINNING SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto Steve Sutton, Pastor 765/728-2065 for more info</p> <p>Sunday Worship.....10:30a.m. ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME</p> <p>SUNDAY: Morning Worship9:30 a.m. OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat Chapel Services9:00 a.m.</p> <p>MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening6:00 p.m. Mid-Week (Wed)6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier Rev. John Wallace, Pastor</p> <p>Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.</p>

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AREA NEWS

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offers childcare and preschool services to children from infancy to age 12. Kids Kampus™ is accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs and is the only licensed childcare center in Huntington County. Kid's Kampus™ is a division of Pathfinder Services, Inc. a not-for-profit human services organization based in Huntington.

GOT A WEBSITE?

Don't forget to send your website url to the Warren Weekly. If you are from the Warren, Liberty Center or Van Buren area and have a website that you would like promoted, contact the Warren Weekly at wwkly@citznet.com by February 28, 2006. All websites submitted will be verified and posted in the March 10, 2006 issue.

BAYVIEW

The Bayview Reading Club met for a luncheon in the Calico Room of the United Methodist Home on February 14, 2006. There were 10 members present and the Valentine theme was carried out for the decorations.

The invocation was given by Lilly Nutter, and a lovely meal was served by the Home.

The vice-president, Lilly Nutter, presided over the business meeting in the absence of the President, Helen Stokes. The members joined in the reading of the Collect.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and the treasurer's report was given. Both were approved as read.

The vice-president announced the nominating committee for next year's officers, Helen Jo Strassner, June Purcifull and Iva Mae Wygant. These members will report at the March meeting.

The business meeting was adjourned.

The club made Valentines for the young children in the Home's preschool and filled bags with candy.

Donna Deemer won the door prize for the day. The hostess was Esther Andrew who planned the Valentine assembling by the members.

90TH CELEBRATION

In loving memory of Ruth Johnson, her family held a surprise celebration honoring Maro Wall's 90th birthday.

Those attending were Ona Johnson, Deb Gordon, Bonnie Fiedler, Bev Kantzer, Jeff Blosser, Gene Whinery, Robert Sliger Jr, Robert Sliger III, Julie Thompson, Judy and Don Shady, and Jim and Rosemarie Harris.

VALENTINE DINNER

The Warren United Church of Christ celebrated Valentines Day with a Valentine dinner on February 19, 2006. The room was colorfully decorated in red and pink hearts. A delicious meal was enjoyed by all. Pastor Charlie and Eileen Dye lead the group in a sing-a-long. The group then played the game "Go-Togethers." Top winners were awarded prizes! Each person attending also were given a Valentine prize.

Pastor Charlie and Eileen received a "Large" Valentine card from the group.

RED HAT REPORT

Chris Knox delighted the Real Elegant Dames with a gracious Valentine Tea on the 13th of Feb. As that was Maro Wall's 90th birthday, it was celebrated in high style. The hostess baked two cakes, served ice cream with choice of special teas plus

chocolates. Enjoying the festivities were Fritz Boxell, Martha Buzzard, Jo Chatham, Velma Lindstrom, Lilly Nutter and guest, Earlene Worster who was also the winner of the door prize.

The Dames also were honored with a special decorated table at the Huntington County's annual Fish Fry at the Civic Center, with eight in attendance.

Still sending out monthly boxes to our troops in Iraq (168 to date) with the USS Salamonie men footing all the postage. So many fun things to do....

VALENTINE PARTY

Twenty-Six children attended the Valentine's Day Party at the Van Buren Public Library on Friday February 10, 2006.

The children entered into the children's department of the library and signed in. They could choose from 2 different kinds of, cut-out and decorate valentines to make. These were to be for someone special. The children had fun as they made these valentines.

Amy and Karen gave each child a Valentine Bingo Card to use along with corn to cover their spaces. As Amy called out the letters along with the pictures the children would look at their cards and some were able to call out BINGO. The prizes were great. We had pocketbooks, electronic toys, books and many other items for the winners to choose from. After playing bingo the children

who did not win a prize were able to choose a prize to take home.

The library staff wants to thank Amy Smith for helping out with the children.

Refreshments were heart suckers.

Those attending were: Jackson Reid, Nixon Smith, Aurora Follis, Tyler Follis, Autum Smith, Katarina Johnson, Emilee Henning, Sam Litchfield, Cathryne Anderson, Emily Bryant, Olivia Bryant, Elizabeth Bryant, Zach Handshoe, Ashley Kerr, Adrianna Johnson, Alie Gray, Chelsea Cason, Braxton Gray, Amy Kerr, Storm Wright, Jessica Smith, Austin Smith, Kayla Handshoe, Mallory Smith, Holly Felver and Remi Felver. This Friday after school we will celebrate President's Day. Hope to see you.

SPEECH TOURNEY

This past weekend Huntington North hosted its second annual speech tournament with 20 schools attending and 297 students competing. Teacher's Credit Union, Huntington, Indiana sponsored the ribbons and trophies for the awards ceremony. The students from Huntington North High School were also successful. Nathan Albertson served

as the presiding officer for the Senate and placed 7th in the Senate, Jon Dyar placed 11th in the Senate and Alissa Hopkins placed 9th in the House.

4-H TEACHES SCIENCE

Electric power has become such a necessity in our lives that many of us take this valuable discovery for granted. In the 4-H Electric project, young people are learning the importance of this ever-ready resource.

According to Carl Broady, State 4-H Youth Development Specialist at Purdue University, members start the project by learning what electricity is, how to control it with circuits, how to use it safely, and how it relates to magnets and magnetism. Participants can learn to make a circuit board, conduct a hazard hunt for faulty use of electricity, and construct an electromagnet.

In the second division, 4-H'ers add to the basic knowledge acquired the first year. In this section, the member constructs a

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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 27 Warren Town Council 8 am, Assembly Hall
 Mar 18 Poneto Fire Department Chili Supper
 Mar 18 Port-A-Pit Chicken Dinner/Kids' Carnival 4-7pm at Markle Church of Brethren
 Mar 21 Dan's Fish Chicken & Tenderloin Supper, Banquo Christian Church 4:30 - 7:30
 Mar 24 Salamonie School PROS Carnival, Food 5:15-7:30, Games 6:00 - 8:00
 Mar 25 Fish Fry at Mt Zion 4:30 - 7:30
 May 13 Warren Alumni Banquet - Contact Jim Howell 375-3048
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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magnetic powered flashlight or a poster about some aspect of electricity as outlined in the 4-H manual.

With the basic skills achieved in the first two years, members move into more complicated areas. During the third year, members learn to use their knowledge to make an extension cord or trouble light.

In the fourth year of the project, members exhibit their wiring skills and knowledge with a display board, poster or written report.

Advanced members study about special fusing, electrical controls, permanent wiring, indoor and outdoor lighting, consumer evaluation and electronics. They learn to excel in their selected fields.

The advanced division of the Electric project is the most sophisticated and rewarding. By this level, the member has mastered the basics of electricity and learns more about heating and cooling, lighting, power, electronics, consumer buying and careers.

Youth may join a 4-H club when they enter third grade or become ten (10) years of age sometime during the calendar year (January 1 – December 31) and may continue their membership for a maximum of ten (10) years or through the calendar year they become nineteen (19), whichever comes first.

Wells County enrollment forms for club members are due April 1, 2006.

For more information, contact a 4-H Leader near you or call the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412.

BREAKFAST AT EXPO

Wells County 4-H will be sponsoring a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast (all you can eat) on Saturday, February 25, 7 AM – 11 AM at the Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

Cost of the meal is \$4.50 for adults and \$3.00 for youth 6 – 12 years of age. Children 5 and under are free.

Tickets are not needed for the breakfast and the public is welcome.

Proceeds from the event will benefit 4-H Park upkeep and maintenance.

PORT-A-PIT AT EXPO

Nelson's Port-A-Pit Chicken and Pork Chops will be available at the Wells County Home & Garden Expo, Saturday, February 25, 11 AM – 1 PM.

Tickets are \$5 for just the half chicken or pork chop. Full meal is \$7. Tickets are available at the Home & Garden Expo. Proceeds to benefit the 4-H Park upkeep and maintenance.

GIVE YOUR KID A BOOST

INDIANAPOLIS—Indiana is celebrating a milestone that its new booster seat law has not only given kids a boost, but has also saved dozens from being injured in accidents on Indiana roads. In 2005, Indiana's new booster seat law took effect, making it the toughest law in the nation regarding booster seats for children ages four to eight. Starting today, Indiana is participating in National Child Passenger Safety Week with a series of public service announcements aimed at reminding parents to do the right thing when traveling on the road with their children.

"Motor vehicle accidents kill more children than any other single factor. It's in every family's best interest to buckle up chil-

dren properly. There is no excuse not to take this precaution," said Heather Bolejack, Executive Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, the agency that oversees the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving. "Since the new booster seat law took effect, Indiana has seen 12 percent fewer children ages four to eight injured over the last six months of 2005 when compared to the year before."

Children four to eight years of age are the primary population of children impacted by revisions made to Indiana's child occupant protection law. For this age group, there were 440 total injuries from July 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004 with only 33.2 percent of these children being properly restrained. For the same time period in 2005, the total number of injuries decreased by 12 percent, down to 387 injuries reported, as a result of the percentage of properly restrained children increasing to 56.8 percent.

A 2004 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration survey showed that 98 percent of infants and 93 percent of toddlers were restrained. Older children are not being as well protected though. Booster seats raise children up so that safety belts fit properly. Eighty-three percent of children between the ages of four and eight are inappropriately placed in adult safety belts. This is a devastating statistic, because children from the ages two to five, who use the adult safety belt, are four times more likely to have a serious head injury upon collision.

Children, as they grow, should progress through three types of child safety seats before using the safety belt alone: (1) rear-facing seats until the child is at age one, to (2) forward-facing seats until he/she is age four, to

(3) booster seats until the child is age eight and above the height of 4'9".

Those who violate the new law will commit a Class D infraction, which carries a \$25 fine. However, offenders can avoid the fine if they prove that they have obtained an adequate restraint system for their children. Fines collected under the law will be deposited into a state fund that will be used to make grants to public and private organizations for the purchase and distribution of child restraint systems to those who are otherwise unable to afford them.

From now until February 19, law enforcement officers across the state are participating in an increased enforcement campaign to build awareness on Indiana's child safety requirements and to encourage Hoosiers to buckle up, every trip, every time.

Bolejack added, "If you are concerned whether you are properly securing your child, please contact someone in your community to inspect your car seat to be sure you are taking the correct measures to keep your little ones safe."

Indiana also requires all kids up to age 16 to be properly restrained in a child restraint system or a safety belt in all seating positions in all vehicles. Those over age 16 must be restrained when riding in the front seat of passenger vehicles.

This campaign is sponsored by the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving, a division of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. Federal funding for the initiative is provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

For more information on child passenger safety in Indiana, please contact the Automotive Safety Program at Riley Hospital at 1-800-KID-N-CAR or on the

Web at www.preventinjury.org.

EMERALD ASH BORER FOUND

DNR open house to give details about state's plans Feb. 23

The emerald ash borer, an exotic species of beetle that destroys ash trees, has been confirmed at a location in Huntington Co. The DNR today issued an emergency order that officially restricts the movement of ash products in Huntington Co., especially in Huntington and Union townships, the specific location of the infestations.

DNR Director Kyle Hupfer said the state's legal restrictions "prohibit transportation of ash trees and most ash tree products out of the infected counties. This includes nursery stock, logs or untreated lumber with the bark attached, any type of firewood except for pine, and any composted or uncomposted ash chips or bark chips that are one inch or larger."

Hupfer said these measures are designed to slow the spread of the infestation while federal and university scientists look for ways to permanently eradicate the pest from the U.S.

The emerald ash borer (EAB) infestations were found in Huntington Twp. on a private woodlot northeast of Lake Clare and in Union Twp. along the right-of-way on Riverside at 200E.

Samples of the insect from the infested sites were sent to an expert at the U.S. Department of Agriculture who has since confirmed that the specimens were emerald ash borer.

Open houses about the emerald ash borer are scheduled for Feb. 23 at 2 and 6 p.m. in Heritage Hall at Hier's Park in Huntington, Ind.

Representatives from the Department of Natural Resources, Purdue University and will answer questions at the open house.

Earlier EAB infestations in Indiana have been found in LaGrange, Steuben, Randolph and Adams and Hamilton counties. Large infestations are also present in Michigan, Ohio and Canada.

DNR personnel and others soon will begin surveying the area near the new infestation. Residents of the area should be able to easily

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ENDSLEY

Leroy E. Endsley, 80, Van Buren, died at 2:40 p.m. Friday, February 17, 2006 in United Methodist Memorial Home, Warren.

He was born November 26, 1925 in Van Buren Township to the late Jesse and Ethel (Keltner) Endsley.

He married Lucille (White) Endsley on March 5, 1944. She survives.

He was a 1943 graduate of Van Buren High School. He spent most of his lifetime in the Van Buren area and retired from farming in Washington Township, Grant County.

He was a member of Black Creek Conservation Club and Grant County Farm Bureau, and was former assistant director of the coliseum at the Indiana State Fair.

Additional survivors include daughters, Janet (Cecil) Richardson, Muncie, Donna (Michael) Alexander, Marion, Kathy (David) Snyder, Bronson, Mich., and Diana Paussi, Florida; son, Bill (Pat) Endsley, Van Buren; brother, Lester (Zonda) Endsley, Van Buren; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by sister, Nellie Roush; and brothers, Paul and George Endsley.

Services were held in Ferguson and Glancy Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., Van Buren, with Bob Slusser officiating. Burial was in Gardens of Memory cemetery, Huntington County.

Memorials may be made to the charity of donor's choice.

BECK

Harrold William Beck, 89, of Markle died at 7:20 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2006, at Miller's Merry Manor in Huntington.

Mr. Beck had moved to Markle in 1974 and worked as a night security guard at Caylor-Nickel Clinic in Bluffton until his retirement in 1979.

Earlier, he had farmed and worked in several factories. In early 1960, he purchased Plum Tree General Store. Also, he and his wife owned and operated the Etna Avenue Dairy Queen in Huntington from 1964 through 1966.

He was born on April 8, 1916, in Grant County to Adam and Harriett Bellagusta (Forsythe) Beck, and he attended Van Buren High School. His marriage on Feb. 20, 1937, in Warren was to Mary Ellen Blair, who preceded him in death on May 18, 2001.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Ronald (Verta Ree) Andes of Columbia City; a brother, LeRoy Beck of Van Buren; five grandchildren; and three stepgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Bernard B. Beck; four sisters, LaDonna Parson, Lela Herring, Beatrice Smith and Rena Nash; a grandson; a great-grandson; and a stepgreat-grandson.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, with Pastor Jackie Michaelson officiating.

Burial was in Van Buren Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Alzheimer's Association or the American Cancer Society.

MAGNOR

Pearl W. Magnor, 98, of Warren died at 7:15 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 19, 2006, at United Methodist Memorial Home, Warren.

Mrs. Magnor was born December 28, 1907 to John F and Luella B (Thatcher) Wheeler in Valparaiso, IN. She married Paul H. Magnor in Chicago, Illinois on October 27, 1946. Her preceded her in death on June 17, 1984.

Mrs. Magnor had been a legal secretary at the Skelton & Willis Law firm in Chicago, retiring in 1970. She moved to Warren from St. Petersburg, Fla., and entered the United Methodist Memorial Home in 1983. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and a graduate of Calvaraiso High School both in Valparaiso, IN.

Survivors include several cousins from Charlotte, NC and an adopted granddaughter, Andrea Roland of Huntington.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Martin Wheeler, her parents and her husband.

Services were held at United Methodist Memorial Home, with calling prior to services and Rev. John Wallace presiding. Burial was in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown and Son Chapel, Warren, was in charge of the arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to the United Methodist Memorial Home.

KLEPSE

Marguerite C. Klepser, 84, Noblesville died Friday, February 17, 2006 in Riverview Hospital, Noblesville.

Mrs. Klepser was born July 1, 1921 in Grayson County, KY to Samuel D and Cova (House) White. She married Carl J. Klepser, who survives.

She was a beauty operator and a homemaker. She was also a member of Noblesville First Christian Church. Her faith in Christ was significant in her life, as well as a love and commitment to her family.

Survivors include her husband, a son, Danel C (Beverly) Klepser of Marion; two daughters, Sara (Bob) Kirkwood of Logansport and Carla (Ray) Van Amburg of Noblesville; and a sister, Mildred Mitchell of Columbia, TN; six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Randall & Roberts in Noblesville with burial in Lancaster Cemetery.

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identify these workers who will be wearing distinctive clothing. The survey will determine the number of ash trees in the immediate vicinity, and the extent of the infestation.

Jodie Ellis, the exotic insects education coordinator at Purdue University said, "This find is not evidence that emerald ash borer is spreading throughout Indiana," she said. "What it means is that this particular pocket of infestation has been here for a while and is just now old enough to be detected."

Ellis said it's hard to pinpoint where exactly EAB is in the state because it often takes two to three years for ash trees to show symptoms of EAB infestations.

State Entomologist Dr. Robert Waltz said homeowners can play a part in slowing the spread of the EAB. "We rely on local residents, foresters, loggers, tree removal or trimming crews and others to report possibly infected sites," Waltz said. "The public also can help us slow the spread of this insect by not moving firewood and by burning all campfire wood when they are visiting campgrounds."

DNR Director Hupfer also warned people in the restricted areas about possible scam artists. "Unfortunately, certain individuals see the emerald ash borer problem as an opportunity to make some fast cash," he said. "If someone comes to your home claiming to be able to 'cure' your ash trees of EAB, be suspicious. If someone tells you that your ash trees are infested and that he or she will cut them down for a price, take their name and number and report them to the DNR."

Residents who see evidence of the emerald ash borer should contact Ellis at (888) EXT-INFO or the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Invasive Species Hotline at (866) NO-EXOTIC.

The adult emerald ash borer is slender and a bright, metallic, coppery-green color. It is about one-third of an inch long, making it difficult to spot in tree leaves. The adult form of the insect is only visible during the summer months. During the cooler months, EAB is in its larval, or immature, form and can only be found under the bark of ash trees. Emerald ash borer larvae destroy live ash trees by eating the vascular tissue which supplies nutrients to the tree, Ellis said.

It is difficult to distinguish damage from emerald ash borer from damage caused by the many native borer insects that attack ash. Two of the main ways to distinguish the emerald ash borer from native species are by the characteristic D-shaped exit holes in the main trunk and the pres-

ence of S-shaped feeding tunnels beneath the bark. Other symptoms include vertical splits in the bark and increased woodpecker activity.

Additional information and photos of the EAB are available at Purdue's Web site at www.entm.purdue.edu/eab/ and at www.emeraldashborer.info.

COMBINED GUIDE

In a move to provide easier access to Indiana recreational information, the Department of Natural Resources has issued its first combined recreation guide and fishing guide.

The 70-page publication "provides everything you need to enjoy the Hoosier outdoors," said DNR Director Kyle Hupfer. "Included are fishing fees and size/bag limits; state park facility information and phone numbers; where to camp and where to fish. We even have a list of DNR law enforcement offices."

The new publication combines two long-time annual publications, the annual fishing and recreation guides into one full color, glossy, high-end publication. The previous guides were black and white and printed on low quality paper. The sale of advertising space has reduced the production cost of the new guide. Additional savings will be realized each year through the lower costs in shipping one publication rather than two.

Copies of the new guide are available at all DNR properties, business locations that sell fishing licenses and at the DNR customer service center in the Government Center-South or by calling 317-232-4200.

The DNR has also made its 2005 Annual Report available online at http://www.in.gov/dnr/2005_DNR_ANNUAL_REPORT-hi-res-tagged.pdf. The full-color report gives Hoosiers an in-depth view of the activities and projects on-going at the DNR. Persons who log-on to the report will learn about:

- * a grant to provide urban families equipment and mentors to expand their outdoor activities;
- * the new state-of-the-art shooting range at Roush Lake in Huntington Co.;
- * the DNR foresters and law enforcement officers who volunteered to assist in the aftermath of hurricane Katrina;
- * the 2,773 volunteers who provided 39,448 hours of help at our state parks and the state's first mountain biking trail in Brown County State Park; and
- * the creation of the new point-of-sale system for hunting and fishing licenses and the use of a Hoosier company to manage it that saved the state \$1.6 million;

the 95 new acres of wetlands and 46 reclamation sites created through the Abandoned Mine Land Program.

WILDLIFE CLUB

The Upper Wabash Reservoir Wildlife Club will hold its meeting Feb. 26 at the Salamonie Interpretive Center, beginning at 2 p.m.

Novice and long time bird and wildlife watchers alike are invited to come to the meeting for local wildlife information and possible outdoor viewing activities. The center is located in Lost Bridge West Recreation Area on Highway 105 in western Huntington County.

J. Edward Roush, Salamonie and Mississinewa Reservoirs are known for having great bird and wildlife watching areas to explore and the past week has seen bluebirds. The staff are looking for volunteers to help clean out Salamonie's bluebird boxes for spring.

Those wishing to attend should pre-register by calling the Upper Wabash Interpretative Services at 260-468-2127 or visiting the Salamonie Interpretive Center.

The Salamonie Interpretive Center is open Wednesday through Friday and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. from October through April. This barrier-free building features exhibits, floor to ceiling windows in the wildlife viewing area, and staff to answer your questions.

Visit the Upper Wabash Reservoirs Interpretive Services Web site at www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis for more information about Interpretive Services programs.

SENIOR'S ASTRONOMY

The sky above us is a fascinating subject and persons 50 years or older will have a chance to learn more about it at a special workshop March 6. Members of the Wabash Astronomical Society will present a program about skywatching and how to "fly through the universe."

The seniors-only program will be at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West Recreation Area on Highway 105 in western Huntington County.

The event will begin at 12:30 with a meal. A meat dish will be provided by the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services. Participants are asked to bring a dish to pass, their own table service and a \$1 donation to help defray the cost of the meat.

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Visit the Upper Wabash Reservoirs Interpretive Services Web site at www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis for more information about interpretive services programs.

PATIENT ROOM SERVICE

BLUFFTON, Ind. — A recent survey by Gallup showed that the patient satisfaction scores for Bluffton Regional Medical Center's At Your Request—Room Service Dining™ customized program put the service in the top 5% of healthcare facilities around the country.

The At Your Request program provides patients with the food they want at the time they want it. Patients are given the option to select all meals for the day at one time, or they may call just prior to the time they would like to eat to place their order with a trained dietary order specialist. Menus are available bedside to assist in meal selection.

The dietary order specialist utilizes a computer with the patient's diet instructions already included so patients can rest assured that all food choices are

made in accordance with their physician's instructions.

Bluffton Regional underwent major renovations in the food preparation area to prepare for the launch of the food service program for patients.

"We are very pleased to know that our patients are so satisfied with the room service dining concept," said Sue Jewell, Director of Food and Nutrition. "Nutrition is such an important part of a hospital stay, and we're happy to exceed our patients' expectations."

GRAD SCHOOL

SUMMER SCHEDULE

HUNTINGTON, IN—The Huntington University Graduate School of Christian Ministries announces its 2006 early summer semester classes. The Graduate School offers classes toward the completion of five Master of Arts degrees: Pastoral Ministries, Discipling Ministries, Youth Ministries, Youth Ministry Leadership, and Counseling Ministries. The Diploma in Pastoral Ministries is available for those who have not completed a bachelor's degree. Classes also may be taken for continuing education credits.

The graduate school program is designed for all those interested in developing their ministry skills. This includes men and women who are transitioning to ministry from a secular career and those who are presently serving as min-

istry staff or volunteers and would like to earn a master's degree or take specific classes of interest. Classes at the Graduate School of Christian Ministries are intended for people who want to further their education and ministry training without leaving their present ministry or work positions.

Each course is offered in a non-traditional format, typically meeting one Thursday and Friday each month for three months. The block format is designed to be worker-friendly and to allow for an intensive time of interaction as students and professors discuss ministry ideas and issues.

Classes offered for the 2006 early summer semester, starting Monday, April 3, 2006, include Strategies of Evangelism, Ministry Assessment, Principles of Leadership, Counseling Through Groups, Family Centered Church Programming, Building Strong Families, Theological Foundations and Equipping Strategies.

Senior adults, 55 years and older, may take classes for the reduced price of \$130 per class. For more information or to register for a class, contact the Graduate School of Christian Ministries at 1-888-424-7231 or gscm@huntington.edu. Information may also be found at the Graduate School web site at www.huntington.edu/gscm.

Huntington University is a comprehensive Christian college of the liberal arts offering graduate and undergraduate programs in

more than 70 academic concentrations. U.S. News & World Report ranks Huntington among the top comprehensive colleges in the Midwest. Founded in 1897 by the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Huntington University is located on a contemporary, lakeside campus in north-east Indiana. The University is a member of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCCU) and in 2004 was named one of the 50 best Christian places to work by Christianity Today magazine.

BAKE SALE

Faith-Based Mentoring will be having a bake sale on May 20th and we are in need of folks to donate home-made (preferably) yummys! If you would like to do so, please let me know by signing and returning the attached sign-up form. Or, you may call me at 358-1859. Your support of our program is so greatly appreciated!!!!

Additionally, we are in need of volunteers to be mentors or to help out in other ways with simple, random needs. Do you have an hour a week to be a friend to someone who might not already have a healthy, strong support system? Are you interested in helping to better your community one person/family at a time? If you or someone you know might be interested, please have them call me to learn more about our program. Would your church group like to learn more? I am happy to be a guest speaker! SPREAD THE WORD!!!

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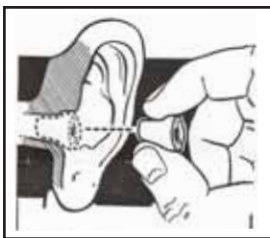
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