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Thought for the Week: A peacock that rests on his feathers is just another turkey. Dolly Parton

FOREIGNER HERE

A comedy "THE FOREIGNER' will open Friday Sept. 3rd at the Pulse Opera House in downtown Warren. This popular show about shy Charlie Baker who pretends he doesn't know the language stars Scott Nedburg who has entertained audiences at the Pulse over the years. For an evening of fun, this is a must The work of Studio Artist, Carol Holmes Gordon, Huntington, will be on display in the Gallery area of the Pulse Lobby during the run of the show. Lobby opens at 7:00 p.m. Box Office opens at 7:30 p.m. and Show begins at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. Call 260.375.7017 for more information.

THE WEEKLY SPECIAL

by Helen @ Natalie Jeanne's Who was that nice looking man on the front page of the Warren Weekly last week? Why, it was Michael Rau, chef of Natalie Jeanne's Restaurant, doing a cooking demonstration at the Farmer's Market. If you missed it, here is the recipe for the vinaigrette he used as a marinade for vegetable kabobs or as a salad dressing.

Mama Anita's Vinaigrette

- ½ cup balsamic vinegar
- ½ cup red wine vinegar
- 1 ½ cup olive oil
- 1 cup sugar
- ½ cup red onions or shallots
- ½ cup roasted garlic
- 1 TBSP fresh or dry sage
- 1/4 ounce fresh basil ½ ounce fresh oregano

Chop herbs, onion and garlic.

Mix well in blender with other ingredients. Add salt and pepper to taste.

Chad McColgin, Natalie Jeanne's other hidden talent, will be doing a cooking demonstration on Saturday, September 3rd, at 10:00 AM at the Farmer's Market. Rumor has it that he will be working with Raab's black angus beef and Asian marinades.

It looks as though I owe everyone who tried the zucchini pie recipe last week an apology. The recipe calls for one cup of sugar (which I inadvertently omitted), so if you followed the recipe I printed I imagine it tasted a wee bit horrible. Sorry! If I was perfect, I'd have nothing to strive for! Until next week, bon appetit!

ESTATE PLANNING CLINIC

Widely publicized events recently have caused many people to question what they should be doing to ensure they have made plans for the distribution of their estates and their own personal care and well being. Jefferson Center United Methodist Church is offering a FREE Estate Planning Clinic to all the citizens of the area in an attempt to answer some of these most frequently asked questions.

Featured speakers will be David Brewer, a well-known attorney, from the law firm of Bowers, Brewer, Garret & Wiley in Huntington, and Andy Jockheck, manager of the National City Bank in Warren. They will answer your questions of how to plan for the future so that your families will have the assurance they are following your wishes during a time when you are unable to guide them.

This kind of thoughtful preplanning is a special gift you can give to your loved ones, so we hope you will attend the FREE Estate Planning Clinic, to be held on Wednesday, August 31, 2005, from 7:00 to 9:00p.m. in the Knight-Bergman Civic Center in Warren.

FAMILY FUN DAY

Fun for the entire family! Saturday, August 27, 2005, 10am-3pm at Jefferson Center United Methodist Church, Warren. Located just west of Salamonie School at the corner of 900 South and 300 West. Food & Beverages, Homemade Ice Cream, Entertainment, Moonwalk for

Kids, Games for Adults & Children, Door Prizes Hourly, and Other Prizes Periodically, Balloon Launch at 3pm. Come and Enjoy a Fun (and FREE!) day of Christian Fellowship!!

Free Exercise Classes

Free exercise classes! Join for fun and fitness at the Van Buren United Methodist Fellowship Hall on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Classes begin Sept.6, 05. 5:00-6:15pm. Classes begin with a good warmup and 30 minutes of easy aerobics, then 45 minutes of yoga with pilates. If you wish to do just the yoga class come at 5:30. UM hall is located at 105 S. Second St. For more info call Tracv Thurman at 765-934-9960.

READING GROUP

The Reading Group at the Warren Library will meet again on Wednesday, September 14 at 7

We will be discussing After Anne by Roxanne Henke. It is the story of a friendship between two women and is the first in a series set in the small town of Brewster.

Copies are available at the Library.

Come and join us. New members are always welcome.

VBUMC SERVICE

The Truth about Abundant Living will be the topic presented By Dr. Blake J Neff at the Van Buren United Methodist Church this Sunday. Special music will be provided by Mrs. Glenda Giggy. Morning Worship begins at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:45.

VETERANS DAY 2005

Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the end of WWII will be the focus of the Veterans' Day 2005 program. The Veterans Council, local American Legion posts, the Veterans of Foreign

Wars Past and the County Veterans Service Office will conduct a ceremony on November 11, 2005 to honor all veterans. A special commemorative award will be presented to all WWII veterans in honor of the 60th anniversary of the end of WWII. If you are a WWI veteran or would like to nominate someone who is a WWII veteran, please contact the Veterans Service Office by calling (260)358-4863 or by stopping at the office at the Courthouse Annex at 354 N. Jefferson St., Room 102.

SUNDAY LUNCH

Don't miss the first Knight-Bergman Civic Center Luncheon of the 2005-2006 sea-

Come join us on August 28. 1005 11:00 - 1:00. The Warren United Methodist SOS Group will be serving chicken & noodles, beef & noodles, mashed potatoes, ham, lasagna, hot dogs, meatballs, vegetables, salads, desserts and

Adults \$7.00, children 5-12 \$3.50, children under 5 free.

SSF SUPPER

The Salamonie Summer Festival is sponsoring a Nelson's Port-a-pit Chicken fund raiser on Friday, Sept. 2, 2005 from 4pm - 8 pm at Ackley Automotive parking lot. Cost is \$5.00 for half a chicken. Please stop by and help support the Salamonie Summer Festival.

KLOGGERS & HOPPERS

The Roanoke Chamber of Commerce will host the eighth week of the ten-week long Roanoke Farmers' Market this Saturday morning, August 27th, 2005, on lovely Main Street, Roanoke. The Farmers' Market attracts vendors and visitors from around the area and provides a familyfriendly atmosphere for all to enjoy. The Farmers' Market is open each Saturday morning

and will end September 10th. The market is open from 8 a.m. until noon each week. Free entertainment is provided for children and the young at heart. This week the Applejack Kloggers and Roanoke's own Hoppin' Hoosiers make return appearances at the Farmers' Market to entertain the crowd.

OUTDOOR CONCERT

The 2005 "Parlor Music Concerts" at Myer's Ice Cream Parlor in Huntington will continue it's summer series on Saturday. August 27th at 5:00 p.m. with "Kellam & DeaKvne". Tom Kellam & Shelbia DeaKyne blend their voices in a mix of musical styles that delight all audiences.

Due to inclement weather on Sunday, August 14th, the concert featuring Teresa Lyon has been rescheduled to Saturday, September 10th at 3:00 p.m. Teresa and her band, "Threat" will perform from 3-5 and Teresa will perform as a soloist from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. The concert will feature country and rock music. A member of the band "Threat", Teresa recently competed at a band competition at Wrigley Field in Ft. Wayne and moved onto the finals at the Three Rivers Festival.

All the concerts take place on the lawn at Myers' Ice Cream Parlor in Huntington at 2809 Theater Avenue. Questions regarding the concert should be directed to Debbie Dyer at 260/ 358-0055.

A freewill offering is taken after each concert with proceeds supporting the annual scholarship and "Arts In Education Series" in-school arts programming sponsored by the LaFontaine Arts Council.

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I would like to thank everyone who made calls, sent cards, visitis or prayers for me after me recent heart attack.

Claire McMillan

How to Bounce Back From Adversity

by Bryan Golden

Adversity is an unavoidable part of life. Death of a loved one, breakup of a relationship, malicious action by another, job loss, natural disaster, or any other undesirable event, are all circumstances people encounter. Events happen that are beyond our control.

Successfully bouncing back from adversity is essential for a healthy life. Overcoming adversity builds mental strength, character, and endurance. You develop in ways that would not otherwise be possible.

You have control over your reaction to adversity. You have been conditioned by how others respond to unpleasant circumstances. However, most people aren't a good role model for effectively dealing with adversity.

Channeling your energy into positive action is one of the best cures for being disheartened. For example, if you've lost a job, immediately begin the process of getting another one. No matter how bad unemployment is, the odds are always weighted heavily in your favor. Even if the unemployment rate was an astronomical 15% you have an 85% chance of finding a job.

If a relationship has ended without any chance of reconciliation, take comfort in the fact that there are numerous people in the same boat. Get out, circulate, and meet people. If you've made a bad decision and are unhappy with your circumstances, resolve to change direction. Effecting a correction can be difficult, but persisting in an unhappy state is torture.

Everyone encounters adversity. No one is ever singled out. No one knows why some things happen, they just do. Some decide to regain their footing, catch their breath, and keep walking forward. Others choose to give up. Each time you bounce back from adversity, you get stronger and wiser and can teach others by example how to do it also. Adversity is overcome by moving

Bryan Golden is a self-development and motivational expert, author and adjunct professor. E-mail Bryan at info@BryanGolden.com.

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Hour of Power (Wed)	7:00p.m.
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Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199 Rev Pat Mullen Pastor

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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.

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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		

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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

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METHODIST Corner of 900S & 300W Kathie Jones, Pastor

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375-3022 Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Todd Winkler, Youth Minister

Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt. Fellowship9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. **DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**

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Dick Case, Pastor Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Sunday School.....9:30a.m. 2nd Worship Service10:30a.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. ..9:15 a.m. Worship.. Sunday School10:30 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 School9:30 a.m. Worship10:15 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service ...7:00p.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH

694-6622 Pastor Dan Sommer

Sunday School9:00 a.m. Fellowship9:55a.m. Worship 10:15a.m. Wed. Bible Study

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN 468-2412 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

Worship9:30 a.m. Church School10:45a.m.

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Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m. Thurs. Kings Kids6:30 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.

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 $Morning\,Worship\,......9:30\,a.m.$ Sunday School10:45 a.m. HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE

NAZARENE 375-2510

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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.
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2102 Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor

Sunday Worship......9:30 a.m. Junior Church 10:00 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Communion 1st Sunday of the Month Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.m.

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Joe Kober, S.S. Supt. Sunday Worship 9:30a.m. Sunday School10:30a.m.

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1st Worship......8:20 a.m. 2nd Worship......9:45 a.m. 3rd Worship11:11 a.m. Sunday School Children & Youth Programs
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Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m.10:30 a.m.

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Evening Service6:00 p.m. Wednesday: CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings7:00 p.m. UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME SUNDAY:

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BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE

In honor of his 80th Birthday the Ralph Duckwall family invite you to celebrate the special occasion at an open house at the Van Buren United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall on September 4th, 2005 from 2 to 5

Ralph was born Sept. 28, 1925 to Glen and Vernie Barrrow Duckwall. Ralph married Lois Green August 26, 1951. His children are Ralph Duckwall II, Peru, In; Glenda Giggy, Andrews, In; Chris Duckwall, Van Buren. In and Ronda Gerardot of Plainsboro, New Jersey. Ralph has 10 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Ralph is a semi-retired farmer and a former State Representative serving for 10 years (1976-1986). Ralph is a member of the Van Buren Methodist Church.

Please omit gifts. Those unable to attend may send cards to 7699E-600N, Van Buren 46991. Ralph's twin brother, Roy Duckwall will not be able to attend. Those wishing to wish him a Happy Birthday may send a card to the above address or bring a card to the event.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Van Buren Town Council met at 7 p.m. Wednesday evening, Aug. 17, in Council Room at Town Hall. President Tony Manry opened the meeting with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

A citizen in attendance asked about a rumor of a man following a little girl. Officers said they had not been informed properly about the situation, but had checked the rumor. They were unable to find any substantial evidence the rumor was true.

The citizen also asked about burning in Van Buren. They may burn brush only.

Ordinance 2-2005 was adopted by Council. This Ordinance was to impose weight limits for vehicles operated upon roads and streets in the town of Van Buren.

Twelve "Welcome to Van Buren" banners have been or-

Greg and Randy Ballenger of Upland spoke to Council about High Speed Internet. Council will take the matter under advisement and make a decision at the Sept. 7 meeting.

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Byron Brankle thanked Council for their help during the Popcorn Festival. He gave a special thanks to Jim Webb and others for their assistance in getting the town cleaned up for the Festival. Webb also expressed his thanks for those assisting.

A representative of the Fire Department thanked Council for their help with, repairs at the Fire Station. It was noted that a new circuit breaker is needed.

A number of chairs are reported missing from the Fire Department. It was suggested Firemen try to find out who may have borrowed them and failed to return them.

Officers Pat Collins said there were no problems during the Popcorn Festival. Local officers were assisted by Officers from the Sheriff's Department.

Superintendent Jim Webb reported two leaks had been repaired and two meters changed. He was pleased with the clean up help after the Fes-

A Town Clean-up is planned for the early part of October.

The next Council meeting will be Sept. 7.

GRANDMASTER'S VISIT

Christian Martial Arts Ministries, a local taekwondo school, was honored on Tuesday, August 16, 2005 to have Grandmaster Edward and Brenda Sell come teach at their school. Senior Grandmaster Edward B. Sell formed the United States Chung Do Kwan Association in 1967. It is the oldest association of its kind in America. Senior Grandmaster Sell, the CEO of the USCDKA, is the highest ranked non-oriental black belt in the world, holding a 9th Degree Black Belt recognized by the Kukkiwon in Seoul, Korea. He is the only person outside of the Korean nationality to have such recognition. (There were 55 million registered black belts under the Kukkiwon - the World TaeKwonDo Headquarters - just to show you how big of an accomplishment this is!) Currently, his wife, Grandmaster Brenda Sell, holding an 8th Degree Black Belt, is the president of the USCDKA. Only black belts recognized by the Kukkiwon are allowed to compete in the Olym-

Christian Martial Arts Ministries, located in Marion, Indiana is one of the schools in the USCDKA. CMAM is a non-profit

school whose mission is to lead non-Christians to Christ, lead Christians closer to Christ, and to increase self-esteem and selfconfidence by giving students obtainable goals to reach in the martial arts! They meet every Tuesday and Thursday at 6pm at Grace Community Church at 1810 E. Bradford Pike, Marion. The head instructor is 2nd Degree black belt, Rodney L. Howard.

JOY CLASS

The JOY Class of the United Church of Christ met at the home of Jerry and Peggy Wilson on July 31, 2005 for a cookout and homemade ice-cream. The delicious meal was served by the hosts, John and Janet Sneed and Jim and Linda Large.

After eating, the meeting was called to order by President, Bernard Gebhart. Devotions were given by Peggy Wilson on "Truth." She also read a letter from class member Peggy White. Door prizes were awarded to class members with the right colored napkin. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Sharon Gebhart and approved. The treasure's report was read by Sharon Gebhart, Sec./Treas.

The report of the Festival Potato Bake was given by Gary and Suellen Jones. The class members were thanked for their cooperative participation that made the Potato Bake a success. A donation was given to the Salamonie Festival from the class. The old organ is restored and back in the church. The organ was played one Sunday by Eileen Dye and everyone enjoyed the sound and music of the old organ. The sound system was discussed. Rosemary Zeller spoke on the new UCC rulings at conference/ synod level.

Those in attendance in addition to the committee were: Rosemary & Marvin Zeller, Roselyn & Larry Poulson, Janice & Richard Brubaker, Jean & Jerry Brubaker, Opal & Bob Brubaker, Janet Klefeker, Marjorie Gard, Jo Spade, Sharon & Bernard Gebhart, Ellen & Gordon Laymon, Carlene & Guy Jackson, Suellen & Gary Jones, Max Tyner, Betty & Harold Parker, Charlie Dye, Nancy & Bob Smyth, and Diana & Bob Tate.

WINTER HEATING SEASON

Indiana's utility consumer advocate is urging natural gas customers throughout the state to be preparing now for the winter heating season and for the likelihood of high winter heating bills. Steps to take include enrolling in your utility's budget billing plan and improving the energy efficiency of your home and/or business.

Major natural gas utilities in Indiana will be prepared to project specifics regarding winter heating bills in early October. However, wholesale commodity costs on the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) are at record highs and have been for most of the summer. This creates the strong likelihood of high gas bills throughout North America this winter, even if temperatures are warmer than average.

"If you enroll in your utility's budget billing program, your monthly natural gas bill will be more evenly balanced throughout the entire year. This will make it much easier to plan for heating costs in advance and will take away the sticker shock you might otherwise experience when opening your monthly bills," said Indiana Utility Consumer Counselor Susan L. Macey, noting that most natural gas and electric utilities in Indiana offer budget billing programs.

"Energy efficiency is also critical and it is never too early to make improvements to your home or business that will result in lower heating costs," added Macey. "Proper insulation and heating system maintenance are crucial, but consumers can also reduce energy use - and their bills - by using programmable thermostats, checking weatherstripping and seals around doors and windows, and by following other steps that will add up to savings."

Consumers are encouraged to review the OUCC's "Natural Gas Prices" fact sheet and contact their energy utilities for more detailed information on budget billing. The OUCC also offers tips on energy efficiency in its

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Sep 2 Warren Recycle Day

Pulse Opera House presents The Foreigner Sep 2, 3 Sep 7 Warren Chamber of Commerce luncheon, noon,

Assembly Hall

Sep 7 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Sep 8, 9, 10 Pulse Opera House presents The Foreigner Sep 10 KBC Board Meeting, 8 a.m. at KBC

Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Sep 12 Sep 13 Our Town Committee Meeting, 7 p.m. Assembly Hall

Sep 16 Warren Recycle Day

Sep 15, 16, 17 Pulse Opera House presents The Foreigner

Sep 21 Van Buren Town Counci, 7 p.m. Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall

Sep 26 Warren Recycle Day Sep 30

Nov 25, 26 Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever Dec 1, 2, 3 Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever Dec 8, 9, 10 Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever

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 Salamonie Valley Museum Open Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC Farmers Market Saturdays at corner of 1st &

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

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"Reduce Your Winter Energy Bills" fact sheet. Both fact sheets are available in English and Spanish on the OUCC's Website (www.IN.gov/OUCC). Consumers without Internet access can call the agency toll-free at 1-888-441-2494 to request free copies of publications via mail or fax.

Utilities purchase natural gas in a competitive, national wholesale market and are allowed by Indiana law to recover those costs from consumers on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Those costs must be approved through the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission's gas cost adjustment (GCA) process, in which the OUCC reviews proposed costs to ensure that utilities are making prudent purchases in the market.

PATHFINDERS HONORED

The American Red Cross honored Pathfinder Services Inc. at their annual meeting on Thursday August 18th. The Red Cross presented the LifeSaver Award to Emily Bothast and Cheryl Stanley, both of Pathfinders. The annual meeting of the American Red Cross was held at the Marriott Marquis Ballroom in Fort Wayne.

The American Red Cross chose Pathfinder's for the award because last July a blood drive in Huntington County was unexpectedly cancelled. Pathfinder Services was willing to move their August blood drive up to an earlier date to help accommodate the vacancy. With very little time to prepare, Bothast and her staff scheduled their employees and exceeded the goal set for the drive.

The next blood drive at Pathfinder Services Inc. is September 23rd from 8 AM to 2 PM. To set up a time please contact Emily Bothast at (260) 356-0500.

Pathfinder Services is a local not for profit organization specializing in working with people with disabilities. Pathfinder Services Inc.'s main office is located at 1152 E. State Street in Huntington, IN.

'Hoosier Faces of War'

Civil War Author to Speak, Show Photos

Did you know:

The men in the 80th Indiana Volunteer Infantry had only two weeks of training before they were sent to help resist the Confederate invasion of Kentucky. Jessie Bryant, age 12, was the youngest soldier in the 80th. Jesse lied about his age and served in the regimental band for 6 months. The official roster said Jesse deserted in 1863 —

however, what happened was that his mother traveled to Kentucky where the 80th was fighting, revealed his actual age, and took him home. Jesse received an honorable discharge after the war.

Of the 1,036 men who joined the 80th, 325 were killed or wounded in action (12 died at the infamous Confederate prison camp at Andersonville). Only 320 men completed the full three-year service. During those three years, the soldiers traveled 7,245 miles — 1,050 miles by water, 2,445 miles by railroad, and 3,750 miles on foot.

The vast majority of the 80th's soldiers were paid \$13 per month.

From the serious to the whimsical, the audience will get a feel for what the Indiana Civil War soldier looked like and what he endured during his years of conflict as author Craig Dunn presents "Hoosier Faces of War" on Wednesday, Sept. 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Wells County Public Library. The program is free and open to the public.

From the hairiest soldier to the best armed, Dunn will show photos of the uniforms, headgear, weapons and accoutrements that our Indiana boys were provided. Every picture tells a story and this presentation will encompass over 160 individual stories.

Dunn is the author of "Harvestfields of Death", "The Twentieth Indiana Volunteers of Gettysburg" and "Iron Men: Iron Will, The Nineteenth Indiana Regiment of the Iron Brigade". Dunn is a native of Kokomo and a graduate of Ball State University. He has been a long-time collector of Indiana Civil War photographs and paper ephemeria. His personal photographic collection exceeds 2,400 Indiana images and was recently on display at the Indiana War Memorial in Indianapo-

Dunn has a website dedicated to Civil War Indiana at http://www.civilwarindiana.com. For more information about the "Hoosier Faces of War program, call the library at 260-824-1612.

VACATION WITH THE STANLEY SISTERS

It is unbelievable how fast the years go by. This was the fourteenth year that we have been vacationing together. With an age span from 56 years to 82 years we each feel blessed when we can all gather together for another vacation.

Due to health problems of some of the spouses, we could not travel too far from home so we settled on vacationing at Lake Baldwin, Michigan again. The home is situated right on the lake so we can sit out on the deck of a morning and enjoy all the activities on the lake....so serene and peaceful.

Nine of us girls left on Sunday morning and traveled to Fort Wayne to the Till Street Christian Center where we were blessed to hear the Collingsworth Family in concert. If you ever get a chance to hear this family sing, you are in for a great treat and we highly recommend them.... for anyone who loves gospel music they are a MUST. They have appeared at the Warren Wesleyan Church at least twice in the past few years.

We stopped for lunch in Churubusco and finally arrived at our cottage and met up with our sister Evelyn who lives in Elkhart.

As all of us get older, we are more content to do less traveling and just gather together to enjoy visiting, playing games, cooking etc. We really don't plan our meals in advance, but everyone usually brings food items. We didn't even go to the grocery until Tuesday evening. Mona supplied us with lettuce, cucumbers, green beans and peas from her son, Mike's garden. Brenda and Mary brought pies and cookies. Brenda also brings all the staples and Mona, being a nurse, brings all the first-aid supplies. Pat brought Zucchini bread, Rita supplied us with fresh corn and Evelyn had picked up eggs, bread and milk. Others brought lemonade, ice tea and soft drinks. Of course Jean always brings the "fixins" for biscuits. About the only thing left to buy was our meat and we were set for the week. The only thing missing was baking dishes, pots and pans. For some reason the owner of the cottage apparently took all of the cookware except one large pan. Lucky for us, Brenda had brought her large electric skillet. It was surprising how much we cooked with only a skillet and pan. We bought cookie sheets at Shipshewana. Monday was a leisure day and we just lounged around. Of course a large part of each day is taken up with devotions...it sometimes last several hours.

On Tuesday we decided it wasn't too hot to venture to Shipshewana, so we packed up our lunch and loaded up in two vans to enjoy the day. After lunch Evelyn, Jean and Laura left for Elkhart and the rest of us continued to shop until we had our van pretty well filled. Of course when we arrived back at the cottage, we had to have "show and tell" and some of us, realizing we had missed some great buys, were ready to return

on Wednesday. (No, we didn't go.)

As we took our daily walk, we discovered several patches of blackberries. I had to do a lot of arm twisting, but Pat and Kate finally helped me pick berries one afternoon. I plan on making jelly and sharing it with them.

The big event for Wednesday was visiting with Mona's college friends, Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Brown who live in Edwardsburg, Mich. They live in a large stately house, which, we were told, was a former governor's mansion. The Brown's, who are nature lovers, had preserved everything including a "root cellar". They also had two gourd arbors, Mr. McGregor's Garden patch and many other scenic areas. Of course the house was filled with antique furniture and the décor was early American.

On Thursday we enjoyed a pontoon ride down the St. Joe River with Evelyn's daughter and son-in-law, Diane and Dan. Diane had lots of snacks and beverages for us to enjoy while we cruised the river. They also took us on a tour of their new home, which they hadn't even moved into yet. It is located right on a channel and their dock is right out their back door. Diane works at an Elkhart hospital for a doctor's group, so we were invited to tour a doctor's home, which was in process of being built. It was a huge 10,000 plus sq. ft. home right on the river and we could actually get lost in it. It had 5 bedrooms and 7 bathrooms, a wine room, huge vestibule, huge kitchen with everything imaginable built- in and rooms that I don't even remember what they were used for. It even has a "dog room" with its own little door and the dogs will be able to enjoy the porch, which will be enclosed with railing to allow them to run.

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never went swimming or boating on the lake. None of us knew enough to be able to operate the motor boat and we didn't feel like lugging the paddleboat down to the water. The nearest we got to the water was when we fed the many hungry fish.

Mona and Rita had to return home on Saturday, so the rest of us just rode around the countryside and hit a few rummages. Some of us "early risers" walked most every morning and when we arrive back to the house, the other girls wouldn't even have our breakfast ready. (You just can't get good help these days.) By the time everyone had breakfast, showered and dressed, it was time for devotions and then mealtime again. Probably most people would think our vacation was boring, but Brenda, our clown, keeps us entertained and we also play lots of games and we are always playing tricks on each other.

The sisters enjoying this vacation were Laura Smithley, Jean Pilgrim, Evelyn Lindstrom, Pat Furnish, Mary Shaw, Janet Daugherty, Mona Pinkerton, Brenda Kendall, Kate King and Rita Benefiel. We are already making plans for next year and we know our husbands are looking forward to it too.





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GENEALOGY REPORT

SURFUS

Mother of Warren resident Mrs. Ron (Bonnie) Boxell and a former Warren resident, Maxine D. Surfus, 84, of Warsaw, died at 10:28 p.m. Saturday, August 20, 2005 at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Born in Huntington County June 5, 1921 to Walter F. and Loretta Caley Campbell, she married William Doyle Surfus in Winchester Dec. 13, 1939. He preceded her in death Oct. 20,

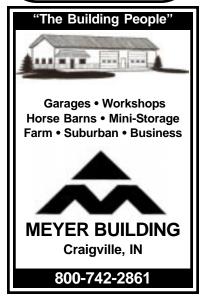
A homemaker and a member of the Manchester Moose Lodge, Mrs. Surfus and her husband moved from Warren to Warsaw in 1967. She was a member of the Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene in Warren.

Additional survivors include a second daughter, Mrs. Jack (Barbara) Watson of Liberty Mills; two brothers, Harold Campbell and LaVon Clevenger, both of Warren; six sisters, Mrs. Robert (Idella) Gard and Marcella Davis, both of Warren, Mrs. Ben (Opal) Stewart, Fort Wayne, Patricia Wolf, Huntington, Wynette Sands, Angola and Becky Mays, Fort Wayne; 12 grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren; 10 stepgreat-grandchildren and 11 stepgreat-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by sons Bill, David and Denny Surfus, brothers James and Walter Campbell, sister Evelyn Coppock, grandson Kent Boxell and great-grandson Alec Evans.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren with Pastor Bill Keen and Rev. Ed French officiating. Burial will follow in the Gardens of Memory in Marion.

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1200S, Van Buren, died Monday, August 15, 2005 in Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

He was a 1979 Oak Hill graduate and was employed with Aramark Food Service at

Survivors include his mother. tin; siblings, William Jr., Dennis. Daniel and Julia Morris.

Services were held in the Up-

Jones-Smith Funeral Home, 259 N. Main St., Upland, handled arrangements

BIRTHS

Nathan and Lisa (Kilander) Boxell, Poneto, are the parents of a son, Case Levi Boxell, born at 5:35 a.m. July 30, 2005. The infant weighed 4 pounds 12 ounces and measured 18 1/4 inches.

Grandparents are Leon Jr and Louella Kilander of rural Marion and Steven and Marilyn Boxell of Liberty Center. Great-grandparents are Leon Kilander Sr of rural Marion, Charles and Beverly Boxell and Carolyn Bailey, all of Warren.

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Randolph Southern High School in 2000 and Purdue University in 2004. She is employed at Janssen Veterinary Clinic in Sheridan. Her parents are Mark and Jane Miller, Lynn, Indiana.

Her fiance graduated from Huntington North High School in 2000 and attended Purdue University. He is a supervisor at the Mike's Express Carwash in Lafayette. His parents are Jeff and Becky Souder, Warren.

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COLLINS HONORED AT FAIR

Their commitment is to the environmental and financial bottom line. The connection, between a healthy environment and productive farming operation, is one that goes hand in hand for the 53 recipients of Indiana's River Friendly Farmer Award (RFF).

David Collins, Collins Farms, Inc., Liberty Center, was presented the RFF certificate from Lt. Governor Becky Skillman, Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Chuck Conner, and Indiana Farm Bureau President Don Villwock. The recognition took place August 17 at the Indiana State Fair. The River Friendly Farmer award is presented annually to Hoosier farmers who do an outstanding job of balancing the basic needs of food, fiber and a healthy environment.

"Indiana farmers are efficient producers and excellent stewards of the land," said Gene Weaver, president of the Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (IASWCD), one of six award sponsors. "They work hard to address our demand for healthy food, healthy communities and a healthy environment. This award provides a spotlight on these conservationists."

This is the 7th year Indiana conservation organizations have presented this environmental award to farmers. The RFF recipients work hard to improve the management of their soil and water resources for the right reasons.

"Conserving our natural resources is the responsibility of all landowners, but it is especially important to farmers who make a living from their land," said Agriculture Director Andy Miller. "I am proud to be in a state where our conservation partners encourage and acknowledge the hard work that goes on across Indiana to protect our soil and water."

Indiana Farm Bureau President Don Villwock says, "Indiana Farm Bureau is proud to associate with each of these farmers. Their steadfast determination to do what's right for the environment serves as a shining example for the rest of us to follow. I commend them for making stewardship such a high priority on their farms."

The RFF Program starts at the local level where county Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs). Farmers are nominated based on their ability to manage their farms in an environmentally and economically sound way as outlined in the award's 11 program criteria. Nominations

submitted locally, then reviewed and approved by the SWCD. The program's award sponsors represent a vital partnership between local, state, federal and private entities.

Sponsors are: Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Indiana Farm Bureau Inc., Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Indiana State Department of Agriculture Division of Soil Conservation, Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, and the

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Additional information on the program is available from the IASWCD calling by 317.692.7325 or visiting their Web site http:// at www.iaswcd.org/ programs_rff.htm.

Host a Crafting Party FOR THE HOLIDAYS

(NUI) - With the holidays nearing, it's time to start decorating your home.

Short on time and low on budget? Decorating can be a challenge during this busy time of year. To make it more fun, why not ring in the season with a holiday crafting party? Afterwards, everyone's homes will be filled with a multitude of holiday cheer.

Ask each guest to bring ribbon, fabric and other decorative elements to share with the rest of the group. This will provide everyone with a wide variety of materials to work with. To boost creativity, have ornaments, photos or holiday magazines on hand. Add some holiday music or movies and you'll be ready to celebrate the season in style. Here are a few simple project ideas to get you started:

* Card holder. Using a festive grosgrain ribbon and a frame of your choice, you can create an attractive bulletin board made

especially for displaying holiday cards. It eliminates clutter that cards create when thrown on a desk or table.

* Homemade cards. The holiday season wouldn't be the same without sending cards by mail. Making them is simple, and sending a one-of-a-kind message makes the greeting even more special.

* No-sew ornaments. Brighten the tree with handmade creations. Choose a fabric and design that suits your style to create a tree that reflects your personality.

To make no-sew ornaments, you will need: Perfect Glue 1, patterned fabrics, templates, a disappearing ink pen, fiberfill or batting for stuffing, ornament cord or decorative ribbon, scissors, pinking shears and a mini hole punch.

Cut the fabric into squares and

layer two to four pieces, right sides facing in each layer. Trace the template onto the back of the fabric and cut out. Apply a line of Perfect Glue 1 along the edges of one piece of fabric, leaving an opening for stuffing. Press onto another fabric cutout and dry for one hour. Repeat with remaining fabric cutouts.

Once dry, trim the edges of the ornament with shears. Carefully stuff with fiberfill or batting. Once stuffed, apply glue along the edge of the ornament opening and press shut. Punch a hole in one edge of the ornament and thread the ornament cord or decorative ribbon through the hole for hanging.

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ACCEPTED TO IU

Rebecca J. Bowman has been accepted to Indiana University School of Medicine. She received her white coat during a ceremony on Saturday August 13, 2005, at the Murat Center in Indianapolis.

Rebecca (Becky) will be attending classes at the IU School of Medicine in Terre Haute, IN, on the campus of Indiana State. After two years of study she will transfer to the IU School of Medicine in Indianapolis.

She is the daughter of Allan & Bonnie Bowman of Warren, Indiana.

Rebecca graduated from Lakeview Christian School, Marion, IN. Then graduated from Manchester College, North Manchester, IN, in May 2005. Her major was Biology/Chemistry with a minor in Spanish.





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The Warren Weekly has graciously consented to publish it. I would suggest that you clip the following and place it in your book for future reference. A copy will be kept in the Salamonie Valley Museum.

We owe the Warren Weekly a great debt of gratitude in helping us out on book insert. Along with David Zent for coming forth with the information.

Thank you, Mary Emma Holmes.

CONDENSED HISTORY WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH

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The Warren Wesleyan Church was formed as a result of the labors of Rev. JACOB HESTER in the year 1885.

The first Wesleyan sermon in Warren was by Rev. W.M. TALBERT and Rev. KENNEDY, who held a protracted meeting in the year 1884 in the Methodist Episcopal Church, but encountering much opposition and persecution, the meeting was closed out. The people who were not satisfied with the treatment which these men received insisted that they come back and preach the Wesleyan doctrine until everyone could better understand it. Rev. Talbert then consented to take up regular appointments and preached regularly in the Presbyterian Church.

The old Presbyterian Church was located at Second and Nancy Streets. The church building sat in front of where the Knight Civic Center is now located.

In June 1884 Rev. ROBINSON and Rev. ROWLEY held a Tabernacle (tent) meeting near the Presbyterian Church. Again this Tabernacle meeting met with great persecution; consequently, the preachers hardly received humane treatment.

Rev. Talbert continued his regular services until the following conference when Rev. J. Hester succeeded him and continued regular church services.

A few people requested the formation of a Wesleyan organization to examine candidates for membership in the Wesleyan Church. This was readily accepted and on January 18, 1885 people were presented and passed a credible examination.

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In the years following, the growing Wesleyan congregation also grew spiritually.

In 1891 the ground for the church and parsonage was purchased from the United Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia for the sum of \$150.00. (The original indenture or contract was made in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania September 14, 1891 which read as follows). THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, That the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America located at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and the Board of Home Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America of Allegheny County in the State Pennsylvania CONVEY and WARRANT to Andrew Coolman, William Huffman and George F. Penfold, Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church and to their Successors in office of Warren, Huntington County in the State of Indiana for the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged the following Real Estate in Huntington County in the State of Indiana to wit:

Survey commencing at a Point Four (4) Rods North on a line parallel with the lines in David Littles Platted addition to the town of Warren from the north east corner of Lot No. Five (5) in said David Littles Platted Addition to the town of Warren Thence North parallel with said town plat and on the West line of Nancy Street

Four (4) rods; Thence West parallel with said town plat eight (8) rods. Thence south parallel with said town plat four (4) rods to the North line of Sixth Street; thence east on said north line eight (8) to the place of beginning containing Thirty-two square rods of land and being a part of the south west 1/4 of Sec. 20 in Town 26 N. R. 10 East. Soon after this purchase the new Wesleyan Methodist Church was built on this site.

In the years 1893-1894, Rev. DANIEL F. GORDON was the pastor. The first parsonage was erected during his pastoral years at the west side of the church. This parsonage was removed to build the Fellowship Hall in 1992. The house just north of the church was purchased in 1971 and later remodeled for the present-day parsonage.

In the year 1900 there was a Wesleyan Church located five miles west of Warren on State Road #218. It was called Plummers Chapel This church was attached to the Warren Church (then called the "Salamonie Charge"). The pastor was Rev. C.A. BILLHEIMER, and this charge required him to hold A.M. services at the Warren Church and P.M. services at Plummers Chapel Church. The following Sunday the services were reversed.

For some time the South Salem Wesleyan Methodist Church was a part of the Salamonie Charge, which meant that each of the three churches only had preaching service every third Sunday.

In 1908 the Wesleyan Indiana Conference changed the Name "Salamonie Charge" to the "Warren Circuit".

In 1916 the pastor, Rev. W. W. McMICHAEL performed the marriage ceremony in the parsonage for Paul A. and Madge H. (Carter) Taylor, parents of Robert Taylor, the author of most of this writing. On June 11, 1919 he married Volney and Mamie L. (McClure) Zent, parents of Helen (Zent) Tippey and David Zent, contributors to this history.

It was also in 1919 that a new belfry was added to the church and the bell was rung for many years to call the citizens of Warren to worship. However, due to the deterioration of the belfry in recent years, it was removed. The bell now stands in the yard of the Fellowship Hall.

In 1924 the South Salem Church was detached from the Warren Circuit and attached to the Hartford City Circuit. The pastor of the Warren church at this time was Rev. C.G. PAYNE.

In 1927-1929 there was an Englishman who pastored here by the name of Rev. JAMES HENRY BROWN.

In the summer of 1935 the entire church building was painted at a total expense of \$45.00. The labor was donated.

In 1944-45 extensive remodeling took place under the direction of the Building Committee Chairman, Volney Zent and our pastor Rev. KENNETH DUNN. The church building up until this time was sitting dose to the sidewalk. It was jacked up and moved back to its present location. We dug a new foundation, poured concrete, laid four rows of cement blocks then set the church down on the foundation. Then came the difficult task of digging the basement. The blue clay was very hard, and we dug it all by hand. Bert Krieg, a church member was licensed for setting explosives which helped break it up, but it still had to be shoveled out. This work was done by volunteers. The entire sanctuary was remodeled at this time by a carpenter who was a former pastor - Rev. C.D. CRABILL.

In the summer of 1946, the Indiana Conference elected our pastor, Rev. KENNETH DUNN as Conference Missionary Secretary, so we had to search for a new pastor. Evangelist LOREN CROW agreed to come. During his first year, the Warren Church and Plummers Chapel were detached, ending the Warren Circuit. Rev. Crow accepted the call to Plummers. Rev. W ALTER TITUS then came as our pastor from '47-'50.

In 1953 when Revs. Earl & Rose Surface were pastors, Dale Bardsley and Dean Krieg were granted local preacher's licenses. Both attended Marion College (now Indiana Wesleyan University) and both became ordained ministers.

In the mid seventies and early eighties, the church was remodeled again. It was given a new roof, new basement classrooms,

new lights and ceiling in the basement, new steel front doors, new canopy over the front doors and steps, recapped front cement steps, new hand rails and new wine-colored carpet on the front steps and entrance. All the work was done by volunteers.

I believe there are still a few old timers around who might recall some of the names of earlier pastors. Starting dates are listed below:

1893- DANIEL F. GORDON; 1896- W.G. MOON; 1900- CA. BILLHEIMER; 1903 & 1919-S.A. MOW; 1908- J.J. COLEMAN; 1910- H.T. ARNOLD; 1914- L.H. BURNS; 1916- WESLEY W. McMICHAEL; 1921- H.G. BROWN; 1922- CG. PAYNE; 1925- CD. CRABILL; 1927-JAMES HENRY BROWN; 1929-V.V. HAMMER; 1932- H.T. HAWKINS; 1935 & 1946-LOREN 1937-JAMES CROW; PICKETT; 1940-GLEN APPLEMAN; 1942- KENNETH DUNN; 1947- WALTER TITUS; 1950-EARL&ROSE SURFACE; 1955- R.J. OTIS; 1957-MARVIN BAKER; 1959- ED SMITHEE; 1961- JIM HERRING; 1962-HARRY REID; 1963- LEWIS DAUGHENBAUGH; 1964- KEN-NETH HEER: 1966- HOWARD PARKER; 1977- GORDON WILLS; 1979- MELVIN WELCH; 1984- GERALD EDRIS;

1987- EMMETT MARTIN; 1996-WILLIAM BARLOW; 2004-ANDY TROWBRIDGE.

Today we look back into the past, but also we rededicate ourselves to building a lasting spiritual heritage to pass on to those coming after us. It has taken many courteous people to build this church and to keep it going through the years. Now we must accept the challenge to hold up the standards of the church.

In 1st Kings we have a wonderful promise. I Kings 9:3 "And the Lord said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there forever; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually".

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