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Thought for the Week: Not a shred of evidence exists in favor of the idea that life is serious. Brendan Gill

THE BIG EVENT IS HERE!

Don't forget to come on out and see us at the Ribbon Rides event at Tower Park!

Scheduled events will flow as follows:

10am – Selfie Ride Registration

3pm – Cornhole Tourney starts on the Tennis Courts – get there early to register. **\$100 top prize.**

4pm – Survivor Walk & Caregiver Walk

6pm – Dakota Ray Parker – country music on the Stage

7pm – Selfie Ride Check-in

8pm – Open Jam Session – Open to anyone who has a musical, or instrumental talent. Come on out and entertain us – no cost involved!

10pm – Lighting of the Luminaries

6am – Sunday morning – Sunrise Service

Events throughout the day will be The Crafty Flea (Craft Show/Flea Market), Gift Drawing ticket sales, Carnival Games, Food and Mickey Mouse will be making an appearance in the afternoon.

All funds raised will go towards Ribbon Rides – a local service to help Cancer patients from Warren, Liberty Center and Van Buren get to and from their many appointments and therapies.

If you are interested in signing up to be a Ribbon Rides Volunteer Driver – please come out and sign up. We will be scheduling a Driver meeting in the near future to let volunteers know what is expected of them.

For more information about Ribbon Rides and the Event at Tower Park check out our Facebook Group at Ribbon Rides at Tower Park or check out the website at www.nickizdesigns.com/ribbon-rides.

We have lots and lots of great donations to the Gift Drawing – so come out and get your tickets. Items include a 16gb iPad 2 from Citizen's Telephone, an Oral-B Pro 5000 rechargeable toothbrush from Warren Dental Clinic, a hanging flower basket from Little Barn Akers – Scott & Stacy Clupper & Family, a Pink Ribbon fleece blanket throw from Sherri Carroll, 5 ton Stone delivered by Kiel Services and Rock Creek Stone Quarry, 2 Books donated by Bill Gallivan of www.sheldonsplace.com, Crosses of Hope Quilt donated by Linda Bushee of Bluffton, a

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SUMMER READING PROGRAM

"On Your Mark, Get Set...Read!" is coming to the library this summer. The theme this summer is focused on exercise, sports, healthy eating, and how the body works. Ages 3 through high school can sign up and earn prizes each week.

Sign-ups begin on May 31st and the first official week of Summer Reading begins June 6th. This year, the library is partnering with the Warren Food Pantry and Warren Health and Fitness to bring special Friday programs for the children. Stay tuned each week to know where the program is taking place. A complete list of rules and guidelines is available when you sign up at the library. See you soon!



PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Salamonie School had eight students that had perfect attendance for the entire school year.

Back Row of 5th graders Left...Abagayle Wright, Emily Manry, Luke Trickle, and Matthew Martin

Front Left: Morgan Leffert, Brodee Swaidner, Nora McDaniel, and Jaziah Norman

Congratulations students for a great year!

FARMER'S MARKET

Wednesday's from 5- 7 p.m. is the Historic Warren Farmer's market located on the grassy lot south of NAPA.

Weather permitting this will be every Wednesday until Labor Day.

Vendors – bring your own table and chairs and there is no electric. Park in the alley behind lots.

Last year, we had fresh produce, cookies, pottery, flowers, pulled pork BBQ, frozen beef, pies, jewelry and much more. Come on out and see what the Market has in store this year.

TRASH PICK-UP

There will be no change in the trash collection route in Warren the week of Memorial Day. Collection will be on Thursday as always.

ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

Does your family have a plan in place for the next generation to take over the farm? The Indiana Agricultural Law Foundation will hold a seminar on Thursday, July 21, that will provide resources on estate and succession planning for farm families.

The seminar includes a session on family farm dynamics from Dr. Ron Hanson, Neal E. Harlan Distinguished Professor of Agribusiness at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln.

"A lot people give the general tips for transitioning the farm from one generation to the next," said John Shoup, IALF director. "What Dr. Hanson provides is a practical, objective procedure that takes into account the entire family's vision for the farm."

The day-long event will feature sessions on land value considerations, family

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THANK YOU!

Pat Collins and family would like to send out a Big Thank YOU to everyone who came to his retirement party.

Thank you all for the cards and gifts and coming to share in his retirement. Would like to give a big Thank You to the Switch-Up for donating the building. Also, Pat and I would like to thank our daughters, April, Michelle, and Samantha for helping. Also Thank You Michelle Sexton. Thank you to the ladies who helped fixing food and setting up.

It was a great turn out by all. We really appreciate the Town of Van Buren, you are all wonderful people.

Thanks to all the Police Officers who served with Pat.

SSF THANKS

A big thank you to the golf teams that joined us for the Salamonie Summer Festival golf outing on Saturday May 21. We had a great lunch and it was a big success. Also thank you to Lynn Bonewitz for collecting the hole sponsors for the outing.

SSF committee

FOOD COLLECTION

Thank you Warren Post Officer mail carriers and clerks for your support in harvesting food for Bread of Life Food Pantry.

The Warren area community donated over four hundred pounds of non-perishable food items. The pantry is grateful for your support. The food donated will help to feed the children this summer while on summer vacation. Without the help of the donations from area residents the Pantry would not be able to keep the shelves full and ready to serve the needs of our community.

Volunteers of Bread of Life Food Pantry

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- * Local Event Calendar * Forms
- * Archives of past Warren Weeklys
- * Antiquity Tales - a new blog
- * Classified & Subscription Forms

ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier
 Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship .. 6:30 p.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Harold Smith, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study 6:00p.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
 Denise Heinger, S.S. Supt.

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

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Pastor - Heath Jones

Youth Leader - Kelly Jones
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.

Adult Bible Study Sun 6:30p.m.
 Youth Group Sun 6:00p.m.
 Handicap Accessible

Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099
HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —
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Pastor Wayne Couch
 260/515-2517

Sunday Prayer 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Daycare provided during Worship

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor

Worship Service 9:00a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

1st Worship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto
 Steve Sutton, Pastor

765/728-2065 for more info
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HERITAGE POINTE
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Sultz & Dick Case

Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Monday thru Friday
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2691
 Jill Miller, Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship10:30 a.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
 468-2412
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

Worship9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
 Rev Mark Davis

Bus Service 375-2510
www.hillcrestnazchurch.org

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.

Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST
 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN 375-3873
 Paul Burris, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor

Pam Thompson, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday:
 CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 9:55a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.

Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Pastor Chad Yoder

Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor

Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"

Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45-11:30a.m.

Sunday Youth 6-7:30 p.m.
 Come as you are for all services

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2691
 Jill Miller, Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship10:30 a.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
 468-2412
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

Worship9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2102
 Pastor Scott Nedberg

Youth Pastor - Pastor Heather Parsons
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Meetings-Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 765/934-3321 Parsonage
 Jeff Slater, Pastor
 Jim Knight, Superintendent

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:30a.m.
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 765-934-1431
 Pastor Cindy Osgood

Worship Service 9:30 am
 The Highway (2nd Service) 11:00 am
 Sunday School 10:30am
 Not Home Alone - Wed 2:30 pm
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:00 pm
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am
 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue 12:00 pm

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WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
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 Fellowship9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School11 to 11:40 a.m.
 Youth: (Start back up in the fall)
 K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-7:30pm

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
 Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
 Youth Directors
 Peter & Mindy Fairchild
 Sunday School9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship10:00 a.m.
 Youth Group: Grades 3-5 4-5:30p
 Grades 6-12 5:30 - 7p

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wed Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
 Pastor Richard Ladouceur
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN 765-934-3609
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes9:30 am
 Youth Group6:00 pm
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study7:00 pm

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AREA NEWS

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dynamics, the role of a certified public accountant, legal tools and elder care planning. Hanson's family dynamics session will offer six steps to implement an effective succession plan.

Registration is \$35 and runs until July 8. For attorneys seeking continuing legal education credits, the price is \$60 until July 8. Space is limited for this event. Early sign-up is encouraged.

This is the third seminar on estate and succession planning offered by the IALF.

Indiana Farm Bureau is a sponsor of the seminar, which will be held at the INFB home office in downtown Indianapolis. Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, Farm Credit Mid-America, Indiana Pork and Schrader Real Estate and Auction also sponsor the seminar. Registration and additional information are available on the IALF website, www.inaglaw.org/estateplan, or by calling Maria Spellman, 317-692-7840.

SERVSAFE

RECERTIFICATION

Purdue Cooperative Extension Service of Wells County will be offering a Retail Food Recertification class on June 1, 2016. This is for food handlers who already have a Retail Food Certificate and simply need recertification before their current certificate expires. The four-hour class will take place 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., with check-in beginning at 8:00 a.m. The exam will be administered at 1:00 p.m. A photo ID with

signature is required to take the exam. The cost of the class with exam is \$60.00. "Exam Only" testing option is not available for this course date. Pre-registration is recommended in order to assure availability and avoid a \$10.00 walk-in fee. The RSVP deadline is May 25, 2016.

To register call 1-800-678-1957, or go to www.inrla.org.

For more information call Molly Hoag, Wells County Extension Educator, 260-824-6412. The class will be at the Wells County Community Center, 1240 4-H Park Road, Bluffton, IN 46714.

PHARMACY HOURS

Due to a Family event on Saturday, June 4th, the Warren Pharmacy will not be open that day. Terry and Melinda Daniels have a nephew, who will be married on June 4th. We pray we can be part of the blessing for my sister and her family. We will be OPEN Monday June 6th 9AM-5:30PM. PLEASE call the Pharmacy (260) 375-2135 or home, and leave your order and phone number.

We also will not be open on Memorial Day, as we normally have been closed on that Holiday.

We thank you for bearing with this inconvenience.

BLOOD DRIVE

A Blood drive will be held June 2, 2016 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Knight Bergman Center.

The American Red Cross urges blood and platelet donors to choose their day to give and help ensure blood is available for patients all

summer long during its annual summer awareness campaign, sponsored by Suburban Propane.

"Many Americans will be celebrating the unofficial start to summer this Memorial Day weekend, but seasonal activities that bring joy to so many can also lead to a shortage of blood and platelet donations when regular donors become busy," said Donna M. Morrissey, director of national partnerships for the Red Cross Biomedical Services. "Patients don't get a summer holiday from needing lifesaving blood and platelet donations and are counting on generous volunteers to help maintain a sufficient supply this summer."

To encourage donations around the Memorial Day holiday, those who come to give blood or platelets from May 27-31 will receive a Red Cross T-shirt, while supplies last. The Red Cross relies on volunteer donors for the 14,000 blood donations needed every day to support patients at about 2,600 hospitals and transfusion centers nationwide. However, during the summer months of June, July and August, about two fewer donors schedule an appointment to give blood at each Red Cross blood drive than what patients need.

Suburban Propane supports the Red Cross summer campaign

As official national sponsor of the summer campaign,

which begins Memorial Day weekend and runs through Labor Day weekend, Suburban Propane will help promote the need for blood and platelet donations and will encourage its employees and customers to give.

"Suburban Propane is proud to partner with the Red Cross and help raise awareness of the ongoing need for blood and platelets – especially during the crucial summer months," said Suburban Propane's Chief Development Officer Mark Wienberg. "By expanding our partnership with the Red Cross this year, we can continue to support the life-changing work of the Red Cross and make an even bigger difference in communities across the country."

Suburban Propane employees will also volunteer at Red Cross blood drives nationwide in one of the largest national volunteer commitments to the Red Cross Blood Services from a corporate partner. Additionally, this year Suburban Propane is expanding its partnership with the Red Cross to include participation in the Home Fire Campaign in some markets, as well as support for disaster relief efforts and Service to the Armed Forces.

The Red Cross has touched the lives of many Suburban Propane employees including Debbie Traub. In May 2014, her 74-year-old father fell

from a ladder while power washing his home and suffered life-threatening injuries. He spent 20 days in the intensive care unit and received many blood transfusions. Traub said that she now knows the importance of giving blood and makes a point to donate in honor of her father at the Suburban Propane headquarter blood drives. Her story is just one of many reasons Suburban Propane continues to advocate for blood and platelet donations to the Red Cross.

"The Red Cross has partnered with Suburban Propane since 2012, and last year's '100 Days of Summer. 100 Days of Hope.' campaign marked our first nationwide, summer long partnership," said Morrissey. "The Red Cross depends on corporate partners like Suburban Propane to help ensure blood and platelets are available for patients in need of lifesaving transfusions and to help our communities prepare for and respond to disasters large and small."

SENIOR GOLF

Thursday May 19th Senior Golf Results @ Dogwood Glen
1st Place: Don Zent, Fred Schweikhardt, Jeff Souder, John Morrison posted -4 score of 32

2nd Place: Arlan Pitts, Charles Harris, Larry Langdon, Robert M. posted -4 score of 32

Closest to #3 pin winner: John Morrison

Closest to #6 pin winner: Don Carroll

Longest Drive on #7 (over 70) winner: Dave Banter

Longest Drive on #8 (under 70) winner: Lew Morrison

Thanks to "Warren Heritage Point" for sponsoring this weeks golf ball prizes

We had 38 participants this week. The coveted "Smiley" award went unclaimed.

Sign-up begins @ 8:30 and Tee-off @ 9:00. Everyone Welcome !

Community Calendar

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

May 18	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
May 28-29		Ribbon Rides Relay at Tower Park
May 30		MEMORIAL DAY
Jun 1	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce at Assembly Hall
Jun 1	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
Jun 6	5:00p	Veteran's Banquet at Banquo Christian Church
Jun 13	5:00p	W - Town Council Meeting at Assembly Hall
Jun 15	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
Jun 20	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting at KBC

*Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus
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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

SPORTS REPORT

Heritage Pointe reports the following scores:

Congratulations to the Pool winners this week who were Homer Huffman and Kay Mounsey. Second place went to Jim Lee and Norm Hiser. Great effort to all who came out and played. There were 18 players this week. Good luck to all for next week.

Wi-Fi bowling this week was: Sawdust Minnich had high series of 192. He also had high games of 211 and 200. Mary Dungan and Bud Lee tied with a 168 series. Dick Lintner was next with a series of 146.

5 STAR MEMBER

Bippus State Bank was recognized once again as a Five Star Member of the Indiana Bankers Association (IBA) at the 2016 IBA Mega Conference on May 4 in downtown Indianapolis. The bank earned the award in recognition of its commitment to the IBA in the areas of political awareness, issues advocacy, life-long learning, volunteerism and Preferred Service Provider utilization.

The IBA's mission is to advocate for and sustain an environment in which banks can succeed. Held at the Indiana Convention Center, the IBA's Mega Conference is the largest, most comprehensive state banking event in the nation. The event spans over three days and provides networking, education, and skill-building to bankers from all over the state. Eight employees and directors from Bippus State Bank attended this year's "Mega Impact" themed

conference. Sessions included topics for Business Lending, Compliance, Directors, Financial Management, Marketing, Operations, Retail Banking, Risk Management, Sales & Customer Service, and Strategic Thinking.

The Indiana Bankers Association supports Indiana banking through issues analysis, professional education, and products and services that help banks serve their communities.

HOLIDAY HOURS

Kent Abernathy, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), announced that all BMV license branches will be closed Saturday, May 28 through Monday, May 30 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

All branches will resume their regularly scheduled business hours on Tuesday, May 31. For a complete list of branch locations and hours, visit myBMV.com.

GOSPEL CONCERT

The smooth, rich sounds of multi-Dove Award winning and Grammy nominated trio, The Martins will be featured in Marion, IN, on Friday, June 10, as the talented musical family comes to the Phillipe Performing Arts Center on the campus of Indiana Wesleyan University, during an exciting Gospel Music event, beginning at 7:00pm.

Siblings, Judy, Jonathan and Joyce Martin, (pictured in attached jpg), who grew up in rural Hamburg, AR, have enjoyed countless radio hits and performances on stages at such prestigious locations as The Grand Ole Opry and The White House, as well as concert halls, auditoriums and churches nationwide. During

the 1990s, The Martins rose to national and international success, showcasing their stunning and distinctive harmonies before a vast array of audiences, from Bill Gaither's multi-award winning Homecoming Video and Concert Series to the White House to Carnegie Hall. Over the years the trio garnered eight Dove Awards from the Gospel Music Association, a Grammy nomination and multiple hit songs.

After nearly a decade of pursuing individual music careers, their precedent-setting musical influence continues today, as the trio reunited in 2010, much to the delight of long-time Martin music lovers. In 2011, the Martins, who continue to be regularly featured on the popular Gaither Homecoming Video and Concert Series, released their first new recording in 10 years. In support of the highly anticipated recording, produced by Jay DeMarcus (Rascal Flatts), the group has toured worldwide.

Most recently, in 2014, The Martins returned to the studio with renown arranger, Lari Goss and long-time friends and producers, Michael English, David Phelps and Matthew Holt to record a new a cappella hymns project. The recording, simply titled A Cappella was released in May of 2014, and features The Martins' unmatched and unmistakable family harmony. The recording recently earned the group a Grammy nomination for Best Roots Gospel Album, as well as the Dove Award nomination for Inspirational Album of the Year from the Gospel Music Association.

The Martins will share their trademark harmonies in Marion, IN, at the Phillipe

Performing Arts Center on the campus of Indiana Wesleyan University, on Friday, June 10 at 7:00pm. Complete information may be obtained about this event by calling 765-664-3734 or visiting www.martinsonline.com.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The Youth Service Bureau's "Tools For Life" school supplies program is underway. The program was started in 1994 to help ensure the students in Huntington County had the school supplies they needed to begin the school year. "In 2015 we 700 students with the school supplies they needed to start school," said Jan Williams, executive director of YSB.

The agency is seeking community support in meeting the needs of Huntington County. Groups and individuals are asked to collect school items and donate them to the Youth Services Bureau by July 15th. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. "This would be a perfect project for Vacation Bible schools, church groups, civic groups, businesses and individuals," said Williams.

All school supplies are needed; however, the items most needed are pink erasers, folders (with and without prongs), filler paper and notebooks (wide rule, spiral and non-spiral), markers, colored pencils and glue sticks. Donations can be dropped off at the YSB office located at 1344 Maple Drive, Huntington. Monday through Thursday 8am-4:30pm or Fridays 8am until noon.

If you are in need of school supplies for your child, contact the office. The requests will be filled prior to the first day of school.

To learn more about the program or the agency contact the office at 356-9681. Email questions to adm@ysbofhuntingtonco.org. Visit the agency's webpage at www.ysbofhuntingtonco.org.

MOSQUITO PREVENTION

As warmer weather approaches, so does the risk of mosquito bites. State health officials are urging Hoosiers to protect themselves against mosquito bites at home and abroad to prevent mosquito-borne diseases, such as West Nile virus and Zika virus.

"Mosquitoes can transmit many illnesses, some of which can have tragic consequences, so it's important that Hoosiers take steps to prevent bites and eliminate breeding grounds," said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams. "These precautions will protect not only you and your family, but also your neighbors and your community."

The most common mosquito-borne illness identified in Indiana is West Nile virus. Indiana has confirmed six cases of Zika virus in residents so far this year, but all have been associated with international travel. The risk of local transmission of Zika virus by mosquitoes remains low in Indiana, but there are steps Hoosiers can take to reduce the risk even further:

- Avoid outdoor activity at times and places where mosquitoes are biting;
- Wear a long-sleeved shirt, long pants, and socks when outdoors;
- Apply insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR3535 to exposed skin;

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GENEALOGY REPORT

BONTRAGER

Ruth L. Bontrager, 98, of Montpelier, IN, died Friday, May 20, 2016, at 4:15 a.m. at Heritage Pointe, in Warren.



Mrs. Bontrager was a homemaker and co-owner of Bontrager Drug Store, in Montpelier. She was a member of the Business and Professional Women in Montpelier and a charter member of Psi Iota Xi Sorority. She was a graduate of Manual High School, in Indianapolis, and had been a winter resident of Lake Placid, FL.

She was born April 6, 1918, in Indianapolis to Alfred and Martha Gartner Teifert. She married Harris W. Bontrager on Sept. 17, 1939, in Indianapolis, and he preceded her in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Jo Ann Futrell, of Manchester, MO, and Diane (Glenn) Smith, of Montpelier; and two grandchildren, Melissa Futrell, of North Hollywood, CA, and Erick Smith, of Fort Wayne.

In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by her sister Selma Anthony.

Calling is Wednesday, May 25, 2016, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a service following at 2 p.m., at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier. Joe Haney will officiate. Interment will be at Brookside Memorial Park, in Montpelier.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Blackford Animal Shelter in care of Pam Bonham, PO Box 70, Hartford City, IN 47348, or Family Life

Care-Northeast Indiana Hospice, 265 W. Water St., Berne, IN 46711.

HARTE

Karl-Heinz P. Harte, 79, of Van Buren, IN, died Saturday, May 21, 2016, at Marion General Hospital.



Mr. Harte, a native of Germany, immigrated to the United States in 1957, obtained citizenship and served in the National Guard. He founded and operated the Professional Cabinet Company in Marion. He rode his bicycle from coast to coast multiple times, most recently in 2015. He was a member of the Van Buren Lions Club and a volunteer at Switchup Youth Center. He attended the Nazarene Church in Van Buren.

He was born May 20, 1937, in Oranienburg, East Germany, to Fritz and Dora Harte. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Willadean.

Additional survivors include four sons, Karl A. Harte, Klaus Harte, Kurt Harte and Kenneth Harte; a daughter, Heidi Galvan; a stepson, Mike Hall; a stepdaughter, Kim Swagger; four brothers, Peter Harte, Gerhard Harte, Ulrich Harte and Dieter Piel; a sister, Christine Nitz; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Switchup Youth Center,

PO Box 376, Van Buren, IN 46991.

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

LAYMON

Doris V. Rogers Laymon, 92, of Marion, IN, and having family members in Warren, IN, died Saturday, May 21, 2016, at her home.

Mrs. Laymon worked at Standard Food Stores Grocery as a meat wrapper for 15 years. She attended Grace Community Church, where she was a member of the Kitchenettes.

She was born Feb. 13, 1924, in Giles County, TN, to Elmer and Lettie Mae Beddingfield Hughes. She married David Rogers on June 1, 1942. She married Fred Laymon on Sept. 3, 1983, and he preceded her in death on May 21, 2001.

Survivors include two sons, Larry Rogers, of Monticello, and Ron (Diane) Rogers, of Indianapolis; three daughters, Brenda Rhamy, of Warren; Betty (Lee) Miller, of Stillwater, OK; and Debbie Brown, of Cornersville, TN; two brothers, Leon Hughes, of Fayetteville, TN, and Charles (Joan) Hughes, of Athens, AL; 13 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Calling is Tuesday, May 24, 2016, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Raven-Choate Funeral Home, 1202 Kem Rd., Marion. A service will be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2016, at 10 a.m. at Grace Community Church, 1819 E. Bradford Pike,

Marion, with Rev. Tom Mansbarger officiating. Burial will be at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Huntington County.

Memorial gifts may be made to Family Life Care Hospice, 705 S. Baldwin Ave., Marion, IN 46953.

CLARK

Donald A. Clark, 64, of Hartford City, IN, passed away at 11:28 PM on Thursday, May 19, 2016 at IU Health Blackford Hospital in Hartford City, IN.

He was born on Saturday, November 10, 1951, in Marion, IN. Donald lived his early years till the 8th grade in Marion, IN. He was a 1970 Blackford High School graduate. He enjoyed woodworking, making jewelry, and putting together model cars and trucks. He enjoyed spending time with his family. He had formerly worked at Active Products in Marion, Sterling Casting in Bluffton, and Armco in Hartford City. Donald was a former Truck driver.

Loving Survivors Include: Mother - Naadene A. (Senecal) Stafford, Sisters - Naadene E. (Nate) Fancher, Hartford City, IN., Janis (Steve) Rister, Kokomo, IN., Son - Eric Clark Weaver, Marion, IN., Daughter - Onda Clark, Marion, IN., and Sister-in-law - Jane Clark Delaplaine, Logansport, IN.

He was preceded in death by his Father - Donald Benson Clark, Brothers - Joe R. Clark, and George J. Clark.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home 109 W Windsor St Montpelier on Sunday, May 22, 2016 from 12:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

A service to celebrate Donald's life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 2:00 PM on Sunday, May 22, 2016 with the Rev. Phillip Freel officiating. Interment will follow in the Asbury Cemetery in Warren.

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The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) continually conducts surveillance to look for human cases of mosquito-borne diseases. Each summer, ISDH traps mosquitoes in all 92 counties and tests them for mosquito-borne diseases commonly found in Indiana, such as West Nile virus. ISDH is doing enhanced surveillance in 2016 to look for the types of mosquitoes associated with Zika virus transmission.

Visit the Indiana State Department of Health at www.StateHealth.in.gov for important health and safety information, or follow us on Twitter at @StateHealthIN and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/isdh1. Additional guidance can be found on the ISDH Zika page at <http://in.gov/isdh/26910.htm> and CDC's Zika page at <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/>.

AMERICA'S MAMMAL

The American bison, recently designated the official mammal of the United States, is connected to Indiana in many ways both past and present.

Best of all, you don't have to go to Yellowstone National Park to see them. Bison are right at home in an enclosed 25-acre range at Ouabache State Park near Bluffton.

"We have a long history of bison both in Indiana and at

this particular state park," said Dustin Clark, property manager at Ouabache.

Prior to becoming a state park in 1962, the property was managed as the Wells County State Forest & Game Preserve by the Department of Conservation, DNR's predecessor. It was widely acclaimed as "the greatest wildlife laboratory in the United States" for its raising of pheasants, quail, rabbits, and raccoons, but the site at times also housed black bears, elk, wolves, and bison.

"We have records that date back to 1933 when you could climb the fire tower and look down on the bison herd," Clark said.

On May 9, President Barack Obama signed the National Bison Legacy Act passed by Congress that declared the American bison as the country's official mammal.

Bison once numbered in the tens of millions across their native range in America, but habitat loss, disease and unregulated shooting nearly led to their extinction by the late 1800s.

Although never in great numbers, bison historically were part of the Indiana landscape as they migrated between salt licks in Kentucky and the plains of Illinois on a path close to what is U.S. 150 between New Albany and Vincennes.

Several published sources indicate wild bison were gone from Indiana by 1830, but its appearance on the state seal dates to territorial days of 1800.

The fact the American bison survived at all is due in part to the efforts of a Hoosier – William T. Hornaday. Born in Avon in 1854, Hornaday was a taxidermist and zoologist who traveled the world gathering specimens for the U.S. National Museum. It was in that capacity he noticed the decline of the American bison and teamed with Theodore Roosevelt to form the American Bison Society in 1905.

Hornaday reported in 1899 that only about 1,000 bison remained in the West. In 1907, while working at the

Bronx Zoo in New York, he oversaw shipment of 15 bison to a wildlife refuge in Oklahoma. It was the first animal reintroduction in the United States.

A year later, the National Bison Range was established as a sanctuary near Missoula, Montana, and the American bison has made a slow but steady recovery to an estimated 500,000 animals on public land and private ranches across the country. There are a handful of bison farms in Indiana.

Hornaday, a prolific writer of 20 books and numerous articles for the Boy Scouts of America handbook and Boys' Life magazine, was inducted to the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation's Conservation Hall of Fame in 2010.

Whether or not the bison at Ouabache State Park are direct descendants of Hornaday's reintroduction efforts is unclear, but the park herd numbers 11 strong today with 10 males and one pregnant female (who recently gave birth).

"We've had upwards of 18 in the past, but 11 seems pretty good," Clark said. "It gives a fair amount of space for them to roam and still manage to feed themselves. We supply some grain, but mostly as a treat."

Morgan Napier, a recent Indiana University graduate, is employed as an animal behavior intern at Ouabache this summer. Her duties include work on a feeding pen, observation of bison behavior, and ensuring the park complies with federal regulations.

To watch a video about Ouabache State Park's bison, go to <https://youtu.be/7t9aVOC6KvM>.

YOUTH WORKER CAFÉ

Raising children to be happy, healthy and responsible adults is no easy task. As parents, teachers, youth workers and others help prepare young people for their futures academically, they must also be aware of the key character

traits that will open the door to long-term success.

The Indiana Youth Institute (IYI) and its community partners are hosting a forum to help adults learn to empower youth with those skills. The event is part of IYI's Youth Worker Café series. It will run from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1 in the Bluffton Meeting Room at the Wells County Public Library, 200 West Washington Street in Bluffton.

The event is based on a program from Search Institute, a nonprofit that focuses on youth development and success. Experts there say certain skills and traits form the building blocks that allow children to become successful adults. These building blocks include traits such as family support, understanding boundaries, school engagement, integrity and self-esteem. They describe them as "the Developmental Assets."

IYI's Northeast Indiana Outreach Manager, Juanita Goodwell, will speak to attendees about the Development Assets. Goodwell is a certified Assets trainer. She will address how youth workers and parents can help foster these assets in children, as well as local options to support those efforts.

As part of IYI's Youth Worker Café program, the seminar and lunch are free, but reservations are required. Attendees may RSVP by going to www.iyi.org/ywc. If you have trouble with the link, please contact IYI Statewide Outreach Manager Debbie Jones at djones@iyi.org.

Youth Worker Cafés are designed to bring together local youth workers to build relationships and inspire collaborations that will benefit children. This café is made possible through the collaborative efforts of WRAPP Wells County, Family Centered Services and IYI.

Outdoor Adventures Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "Outdoor Adventures:

Archery, Fishing and Hike" on June 15.

The class will be offered from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, Andrews.

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

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

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

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

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How would you feel if you returned home from work to find that the beautiful shade trees by the street in front of your house had been drastically pruned? Now, instead of a thick, symmetrical canopy of leaves, there is a gaping, V-shaped hole through the middle of the tree that reveals the overhead electrical conductors. "Why did this happen?" you would undoubtedly ask.

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Some residents get irritated and feel that these trees are needlessly damaged. "The Tree Care Industry Association receives a lot of calls from homeowners complaining that their utility company 'drastically' cut trees near power lines," says Tchukki Andersen, CTSP, BCMA* and staff arborist for the association.

"While utilities are required by law to trim trees, sometimes severely, it is, nevertheless, important for them to follow tree care standards of practice," adds Robert Rouse, TCIA's chief program officer. TCIA is the Secretariat for the American National Standards Institute A300 Standard, a national standard that covers tree pruning operations, including line clearance.

"When one is evaluating the quality of line clearance tree trimming, it's important to consider that the utility's primary objective is to prevent outages caused by trees as well as electrical hazards," explains Rouse. Minimally, the tree should be left in a healthy state, with at least some aesthetic value. If this cannot be accomplished, the utility may opt to remove the tree rather than create an eyesore and future problem.

Why the gaping hole in the canopy? First, the utility company specifies a certain amount of clearance around its wires, depending upon the voltage, the tree's growth rate and other characteristics, and the pruning cycle (how frequently it will be pruned). Furthermore, scientific research has proven that it is better from the standpoint of tree health if the trimming crew removes whole limbs with a relatively small number of large cuts versus making numerous small cuts and leaving stubbed off branches. Finally, utilities have found that removal of entire limbs helps to train the future growth of the tree away from the wires, keeping maintenance costs to a minimum while helping to insure that the tree needn't receive the same drastic pruning in the future.

What should consumers do?

When you or your utility hire a TCIA member company, you are assured that the company has access to the most recent information on tree care practices. Homeowners who would like a professional arborist to assess their trees should contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP Code search on www.treecaretips.org.

*Certified Treecare Safety Professional, Board Certified Master Arborist

ARTS EVENT

The La Fontaine Arts Council and the United Way of Huntington County are partnering to bring a Bicentennial arts event to downtown Huntington. "Walking Through Indiana History" will be held from 2 to 4 pm on Monday, May 30 at and around Rotary Park.

The LAC will open the annual fire hydrant painting public art project that day. This year's theme is "Hoosier Hydrants-- Celebrating 200 Years of Indiana History." Artists have begun painting the hydrants, which honor the faces, places and spaces that are an integral part of the state's heritage. Maps showing the locations of the hydrants and the artists that painted them will be available at Rotary Park

then. After May 30 maps can be found in the brochure holder outside The New Huntington Theater or on the La Fontaine Arts Council Facebook page.

Sponsors of the hydrant public art project include Thorne Insurance Agency, Inc.; Bailey-Love Mortuary; Smith Furniture; Sherilyn Emberton; Miami Tool & Die; Lyle & Susan Smith; Bippus State Bank; Matheny, Hahn, Denman & Nix, LLP; Dyer Health and Wellness, Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters.

The United Way of Huntington County will unveil the local bison, which is one of many bison in the Bison-ennial project across the state. Huntington artists Katrina Mitten, Katy Strass and Angela Ellsworth are basing their painting on the history and culture of Huntington County.

United Way Interim Director Adam Drummond will give a brief talk about the bison before the artists discuss their inspirations and unveil their work. The name of the local bison will also be revealed.

Partners for the bison project include The Forks of the Wabash; Novae, Corp; the City of Huntington; and Pearson's Body Shop and Wrecker Service.

The bison will be on display at Rotary Park on May 30 and can also be seen around the entire county at various events and festivals before retiring to its permanent home at The Forks of the Wabash in the fall.

Local folk band Roustabout will provide music during the afternoon thanks to a "Make a Difference" grant from the Huntington County Community Foundation. While seating is available at the park, everyone is encouraged to bring chairs to have a guaranteed seat for the festivities.

While the band plays, people can get an up-close-and-personal look of the bison and walk around the downtown area viewing the hydrants.

The Party Shop will be open that afternoon offering treats for purchase.



THE UPTOWN GARDENER by Ruth Herring

Beautiful days we are having. Really love spending time outside getting plants in the flower beds. Also taking time out quite often to sit on patio and enjoy the day and sunshine.

Only one problem it seems that I have unwelcome 4 legged visitors coming by and using area off the patio as their potty stop. It is becoming quite annoying, it is a nice place to store my garden tools in the summer and don't like that ugly mess to contend with. Guess I might need to start night patrol. I at one time had a really nifty sling shot and was really good with it, just wish I still had it, won't kill them but could scare them to death.

I have been busy working on some items to have for the Ribbon Rides to be held this weekend at Tower Park, I hope it turns out well to start the fund for giving financial aid to those who volunteer assisting cancer victims to get to their appointments. To me it is a worthy cause. I appreciate my kids for organizing a walk in memory of their dad who lost his life to cancer, thank you girls, your dad would be proud of you. Even Miss Kylynn is setting up a lemon aid stand to help with the cause, good thinking for a 6 year old.

I have been asked to make a dessert for the weekend, requested by Gayle, who thought we might need some extra calories to walk off. I have not made it before but does sound good.

2 cups rhubarb, 1 3/4 cups sugar divided, 3 tablespoon butter, 1 teaspoon baking powder, bit salt, 1/2 cup milk, 1/2 teaspoon each of vanilla and almond, 1 cup flour, 2 tablespoon cornstarch, 2/3 cup boiling water. Spray 9 inch square pan, add rhubarb, mix 3/4 cup sugar, baking powder, extracts, milk and flour and 1 tablespoon cornstarch add over fruit, before adding the batter. Mix rest of sugar and cornstarch, sprinkle over the batter and add 2/3 cup boiling water, bake 375 45 minutes.

Sounds good, Have a great holiday weekend.

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