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Thought for the Week: *Books had instant replay long before televised sports.* Bern Williams

## LIBRARY NEWS

The book sale room at the Warren Library is again open to the public. Hardback books are \$.50, paperbacks \$.25, most magazines are \$.10, children's educational CD-ROM programs are \$1.00. Proceeds go to the Friends of the Library.

The library will be closed Thanksgiving Day, but will be open regular hours the rest of the week. However, there will be no story time on Friday, November 28.

Be aware that soon valid (updated) plastic library cards will be needed to check out materials and to use the computers.

New limitation of liability and permission forms for adults and children must be signed (in the presence of a librarian) and on file at the library.

## INSTRUCTOR CLASS

### OFFERED

The American Red Cross is hosting a Water Safety Instructor Class beginning December 12 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. This first session will be at Huntington College in the pool, so be sure to bring your swimsuit and a towel. The remaining dates, times, and locations will be discussed at that time. This course will include 38 hours of training and attendance is mandatory.

This session will be a pre-course session that includes a 25 question written test and a swimming test.

Upon completion of this training, participants will be able to teach the Learn-To-Swim classes.

Participants may register and pre-pay at the American Red Cross Office, 354 N. Jefferson Street, Suite 203, Huntington, IN 46750 (telephone 260-356-2910). Interested participants may contact [red.cross@huntington.in.us](mailto:red.cross@huntington.in.us) to request a registration form. All registrations MUST be in the office at least three working days prior to the start of class. This course will be \$125 per person and please make the checks out to Kim Wannemacher.

## OPEN HOUSE

Don't forget to check out the Shops Downtown for their Holiday Open House specials. They are having special hours for Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

## FOOD DRIVE

The office of Dr. Kevin DeaKyne, located in the Warren Clinic, will be conducting a food drive to benefit the "Bread of Life" food pantry in Warren.

If you would like to help, you may bring non-perishable items to Dr. DeaKyne's office, 470 Bennett Drive, (across from the UMHH) Monday 9-1, 2-6, and Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8-12, 1-5. Please drop items off by Dec. 17.

## SELLING CONCESSION STAND

The Beta Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma has decided we can no longer run the concession stand at Tower Park during the ball season. We are looking for an organization to purchase the building and contents. The concession does needs to be open to serve the ball teams and spectators.

We'd like to thank everyone for their support the last 40 years.

Please contact Sandy Eichhorn 375-2949 or Rosemary Zeller at 375-2454.

## DONATIONS OF HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES

Children's Hope Hospitality House is scheduled to open Wednesday, December 17, 2003 and will provide a warm and caring home-like environment for parents and families of critically ill or injured children hospitalized in Fort Wayne area medical facilities. Located on the campus of Lutheran Hospital, Children's Hope offers six private sleep-rooms with baths, a fully equipped kitchen, a stocked pantry, living room, TV lounge, information library with computers, and meditation room for pastoral care or private moments. Various items are needed to help supply the house. Community service groups and individuals are encouraged to collect items needed from the Children's Hope "wish list" and help make a difference for families needing a home away from home.

"It is so fortunate that the House will be open in time to help provide comfort and rest to parents and families of critically ill children just in time for the upcoming Holiday season - a time that can even be more difficult when you have a critically ill or injured child in the hospi-

tal," says Shelley Ramsey, a founding board member of Children's Hope and registered nurse at Lutheran Children's Hospital.

Wish List: Water cooler (hot and cold) with paper cups, office supplies, crock pot, television for playroom (25" - 27") with rolling TV cart, DVD and VHS player with movies (rated G), Board games, crayons, books and magazines, portable crib with mattress, mattress cover and sheets, plastic or wood coat/clothes hangers, individual serving size packs of food items to stock pantry, cleaning supplies, Polaroid camera and film, digital camera. Specific bedding and kitchen-ware list is available by calling Children's Hope Hospitality House at 260/459-8550.

## FUTURE GOALS FOR HTGN Co.

The leaders and citizens of Huntington County are working to determine the attainable future. Thanks to a combined effort of many organizations led by the Huntington County Community Foundation, a vision of the future will be established by a group headed by Travis Holdman of MarkleBank, Stephen Zahn of First Federal Savings Bank, and Ryan Warner of Bippus State Bank.

Public input will be developed through a team of citizens, focus groups, surveys, and individual interviews. Many issues will be examined by seeking ideas of the assets, challenges, and opportunities from the citizens of Huntington County. Previous studies and plans will be examined to develop information and common concerns that can be addressed by various groups and lead toward an even greater result of the investment of those studies.

"As our community continues to grow and change, we feel a strong need to develop a consensus about the future," said co-chairman Travis Holdman. "It is important to bring a variety of people together to identify and examine the issues we will be facing."

Information that will be derived from the various sources will be further developed by the full team to develop a draft of the vision, goal areas of opportunity, and measurable objectives. Stephen Zahn, another of the chairman, said, "Af-

ter we create the goals and objectives, it is very important to put into place an action plan to accomplish the findings. This is not a study that will sit on the shelf. We will accomplish things!"

Recommendations including a timetable, costs and resources needed, and the appropriate groups or organizations that will be responsible will be made. A report will be made to the community. It is the intention that as many people have as much input as possible into the process. It is anticipated that the endeavor will take four months.

"The first meeting of the team of citizens representing many organizations in Huntington County will be on Wednesday, December 10 at 4:00 p.m. at Crestview Middle School in the cafeteria," said Ryan Warner, the third of the team leaders. He went on to say that the meetings are open to the public and all are encouraged to attend. The first meeting will last about an hour and one half.

Marcia McClelland, the Executive Director of the Huntington County Community Foundation said that her Board of Directors is looking forward to using the information so that the grants committee can have some guidance for its giving in the community. She added that many other organizations within Huntington County have joined the effort as sponsoring partners. The list includes: The Town of Andrews, the Town of Bippus, Bippus State Bank, Cinergy, First Federal Savings Bank, City of Huntington, Habitat for Humanity, Huntington College, Huntington Chamber of Commerce, HCCSC, HCCF, HCUED, LaFontaine Arts Council, Life Long Learning of Huntington County, Lime City Economic Development Corporation, Markle Bank, Town of Markle, Parkview Huntington Hospital, Roanoke Chamber of Commerce, United REMC, United Way of Huntington Co, Town of Warren.

The President of the Huntington County Community Foundation, Linda Aldridge, said, "The number of the sponsoring partners shows how this community wants to be involved in setting goals and objectives for its future."

The process will take place over the next four months and citizens throughout the county are encouraged to participate. An implemen-

tation plan will also be put into action following the report to the community.

## DOWNTOWN LIGHTING

The downtown Christmas lighting will be Friday, November 28. Events will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the following tentative schedule.

6:00 pm - Santa arrives in downtown Warren at the corner of Second and Wayne Street to meet and greet children of all ages escorted by the Warren Fire Department.

6:15 - 6:30 - Santa oversees the lighting of downtown buildings including newly installed window lighting, and, unveils a new Christmas lighting center piece, all furnished through the Town of Warren and through the Warren Area Chamber's annual sale of memorial bows for the community Christmas tree.

Santa, using Christmas magic, lights the Memorial Community Christmas Tree filled with lights and memorial bows. Tree donated by Grace Thompson.

6:30 - 6:45 - The Santa Walk - Santa and children of all ages walk through a pathway of luminaries to the Knight-Bergman Center to participate in the annual spectacular lighting of the Center grounds and building.

6:45 - Santa meets and greets children for serious conversation about their Christmas wish list in the auditorium of the Knight-Bergman Center. A photo of each child talking with Santa and a small gift helps usher in the Christmas Holiday. Cookies and hot chocolate along with coffee will be available to keep the spirits high.

Saturday, November 29

9:00 - 11:00 am "Santa at the Center" - Children have one more opportunity to meet and greet Santa, have a picture taken, and share cookies, hot chocolate and coffee.

Events supported through the efforts of the Town of Warren, Warren Area Chamber of Commerce, Knight-Bergman Center, Warren Fire Department and many community volunteers.

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## KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

### RED HATTERS & USS – DOING GOOD TOGETHER

"It's probably common knowledge that the Real Elegant Dames (Warren's Red Hatters) adopted 4 fellows serving in Iraq. We started sending each a package every month, and last week mailed out our 32nd package. When the USS Salamonie Association learned of our project, they offered to pay the postage. Have they ever! Received another \$100.00 check from them this week; which is the 2nd check in that amount. In addition to that, two members have sent \$20.00 each, making a total of \$240.00!! How grateful we are, knowing what it means to our boys over there. Which proves these men are still serving our country, even though they no longer wear the uniform. Our grateful thanks to the men of the USS Salamonie and to our boys over there."

### FAMILY WORDS: IS IT NAGGING OR CONNECTING?

Words have the power to change your perception of yourself and people around you, say psychologists at Harvard.

Impulsiveness/spontaneity: You could be irritated by your partner's impulsiveness, or choose to admire her "spontaneity" instead.

Moping/coping: A friend who lost his job just sits in front of the TV. You could call it moping. But try calling it coping. He needs to get distance from the blow in order to regain his confidence.

Nagging/connecting: Your mother often calls to check on you or remind of things. Is she nagging? Call it connecting. She misses you and wants contact. Call her instead and have the conversation you want.

Pushy/direct: A co-worker who is not in charge of a team project dictates everything you should do. Is she pushy? Call her direct. Counter with your ideas in the same straightforward way.

Using/relying: You think people try to take advantage of you and are using you. Try thinking they are relying on you. Your friends actually think you are dependable and trustworthy. If you really don't want to do something, say so. According to the editors of Health, that would be taking care of yourself.

### THREE TYPES OF HAPPINESS: WHICH IS BEST

In order to be happy, do you have to go around grinning like Goldie Hawn in a movie? Some people think so, says psychologist Martin Seligman of the University of Pennsylvania. His research and supporting studies show that there are three categories of happiness.

"The pleasant life" is Hollywood happiness, smiling all the time, feeling good, being ebullient. But not everyone can feel that way because it's a matter of genetic predisposition. Half of us will never feel like Goldie.

"The good life" is a second form of happiness and the one that people try to achieve. It consists of knowing your strengths and crafting your life to use them in work, love, friendship, leisure, and parenting. It's all about being absorbed and immersed in life.

"The meaningful life" is the third state of happiness and the ultimate level. It consists of identifying your signature strengths, then using them in the service of something you believe is bigger than you are.

You don't have to be conventionally happy to achieve it Winston Churchill and Abraham Lincoln dealt with their depression by having good and meaningful lives.

In his book Authentic Happiness: Using the New Positive Psychology to Realize Your Potential for Lasting Fulfillment (Free Press), Seligman says circumstances don't always define emotional states. People in wealthier nations are not noticeably happier than those in poorer nations. People in frigid climates are not less happy than people in Florida. People who win the lottery revert to their previous level of happiness within one year.

Seligman finds that the two factors that matter most are marriage and religion. Married people are happier, and religious people are happier than nonreligious people.

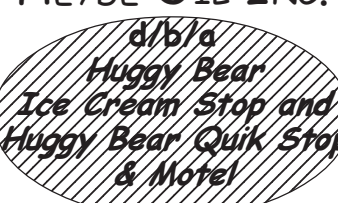
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 Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.  
 Youth Hours ..... 6:00p.m.  
 Evening Praise Hour ..... 6:00p.m.  
 Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.

#### CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199

*Rev. Pat Mullen, Pastor*  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:40 a.m.  
 Bible Study, Wednesday ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Youth Fellowship Sun ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica Rev. Gus Hacker

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.

#### MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST 260/468-2148

*Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor*  
 Sunday  
 Trad. Worship ..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Mdrn Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship & Classes ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Come As You Are  
 Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult  
 Studies - all Sunday ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST

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

#### WARREN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

#### WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

*Eric Vitz, Interim Minister*  
*Becky Hartley, SS Supt.*  
 Fellowship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.

#### DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779

*Lynn Mefferd, Pastor*  
 Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.  
 Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.  
 2nd Worship Service...10:30a.m.  
 Youth Group (6th-12th).5:30p.m.  
 Wed - "Circle of Friends" (Begins 9/17)  
 (3yr-5th grade)... 6:30-8p.m.

#### McNATT UNITED METHODIST 375-4359

*Bill VanHaften, Pastor*  
*B. Morton, Supt.*  
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.

#### WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330

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*Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor*  
*Wesley Welch, Supt.*  
*Sue Brown, Children's Ministry*  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Children's Church ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:00p.m.  
 Thursday Bible Study ..... 7:00p.m.

#### LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH 694-6622

*Pastor Dan Sommer*  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 9:55a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15a.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

#### SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN 468-2412

*Mel Zumbrun, Pastor*  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Church School ..... 10:45a.m.

#### BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH 758-2085

*Nathan Doyle, Minister*  
*Sandy Keplinger, Supt.*  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.

#### BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH 8294S 900W 35 Gary Riley, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Youth Choir Practice ..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Thurs. Kings Kids ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.  
 CWF Ladies (3 Tue) ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

#### LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Steve Bard, Pastor

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

#### HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 375-2510

*Bill Keen, Pastor*  
*Aylssa Lugbill, Assoc. Pastor*  
 Bus Service 375-2510

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 7:00 p.m.

#### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102

*Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor*  
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Junior Church ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month  
 Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.m.

#### THE NEW BEGINNING

*SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto*  
*Steve Sutton, Pastor*  
 765/728-2065 for more info  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.  
 Thursday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

#### WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.

*Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching*  
*and Discipleship*  
*Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of*  
*Family Life*  
*Sandy Richison, S.S. Supt.*

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

#### VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 765-934-1431

*Pastor Blake J. Neff*  
*Youth Pastor Adam Pierce*  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.  
 UMYF ..... 6- 7:30 p.m.  
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur)..... 7:30 p.m.  
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#### BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST

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

#### HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST 101 N 400 E - Marion, IN 765/664-8726

*Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor*  
 1st Worship..... 8:20 a.m.  
 2nd Worship..... 9:45 a.m.  
 3rd Worship ..... 11:11 a.m.

Sunday School Children & Youth  
 Programs

#### PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2691

*Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor*  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

#### LANCASTER WESLEYAN 468-2411

*Doug Sharrard, Pastor*  
*Teresa Davis, S.S. Supt.*  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME

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

#### MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN

*Wayne Wright, Pastor*  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Mid-Week (Wed) ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST

**8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier**  
*Student Pastor - Eric Dubach*  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship  
 ..... 6:30 p.m.

*Attend the Church  
 of your choice*



## AREA NEWS

### 2003 TAX RATES

County municipal tax rates have been set for the area towns. Rates are as follows: Andrews - 1.2612, Huntington - 1.2185, Markle - 1.0422, Roanoke - .7854 and Warren .6430

### HATS OFF FOR HEROES

We all wear different hats in life - parent, sibling, spouse, grandparent. First responders in our community have another hat to wear...hero.

On Friday, December 5, first responders will partner with the American Red Cross to encourage Huntington County residents to become heroes by donating blood at the LaFontaine Center from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. The LaFontaine Center is located at 208 W. State St. in Huntington.

All presenting donors at Hats Off to Heroes blood drives will receive an American Red Cross ball cap.

If you are 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. All donors need to present positive identification. For more information or to schedule your blood donation appointment, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543). Walk-ins are welcome at all of our Hats Off to Heroes blood drives.

### FREE GUIDE TO MEDS

With hundreds of arthritis medications on the market, becoming informed about the various brands, dosages, and side effects is an important step in developing an arthritis treatment plan. The Arthritis Foundation offers a brochure which features helpful do's and don'ts about taking medications; includes tips to reduce potential side effects, lists important questions to ask your doctor; and more. For more information or to receive a free copy of the "Medications: Using Them Wisely" pamphlet, contact the Arthritis Foundation, Indiana Chapter office at (317) 879-0321, toll-free at (800) 783-2342 or visit their website at [www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org). The Arthritis Foundation, Indiana Chapter conducts programs and services for the 1.7 million Hoosiers with arthritis.

### COUNCIL NOTES

The November 19 meeting of the Van Buren Town Council opened with the Pledge to the American Flag.

David Frederick conducted a Public Hearing preceding the regular Council meeting. The Hearing concerned increase of water and sewer rates.

Council approved amended Ordinance 2-2003 to increase sewer rates effective in July.

Council also approved Ordinance 1-2003, water rate increase. A

partial rate increase was set to go into effect in February. Cost for minimum use is expected to increase about \$2.00 per month. Customers delinquent 30 days will be disconnected.

Following the Hearing president Tony Manry conducted the regular meeting. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Christmas decorations are expected to be put up soon after the Thanksgiving holiday, with the help of Taylor's.

In his report, Officer Pat Collins said both police vehicles are running well.

Antennas for radio equipment had been installed.

Council granted permission for Officer Collins to attend a workshop in Fort Wayne.

Town employees Christmas dinner was set for Sunday, Nov. 30 at 2 p.m.

Superintendent Jim Webb reported employees had been getting storm drains ready for winter.

There were problems with the backhoe.

Webb said there are still many major problems at the new water plant.

Council decided to get prices for testing of the water wells with documentation.

The next Council meeting will be Dec. 3.

### LOOKING FOR NOMINEES

The Indiana Soybean Growers Association is calling for nominations from across Indiana for the 20th Annual ASA/DuPont Young Leader Program. The soybean association is sponsoring this program in conjunction with Pioneer, a DuPont Company.

Winners will be selected based on their active involvement in soybean production and their demonstrated leadership abilities in their communities.

Last year's winners, Kevin and Sherry Underwood of West Lafayette, found the experience to be very rewarding. Kevin noted, "Communication is key in today's world. This program helps you identify and utilize your strengths while understanding and improving your weaknesses. It not only helped me in working with other organizations, but had a significant impact in how Sherry and I work together in our own operation. I highly recommend it!"

The winner of this year's state contest will participate and interact with Young Leaders from across the country in leadership training at the Commodity Classic in Las Vegas, NV, Feb. 29 - March 2, 2004. Age is not a consideration in the nomination. The program is looking for those interested persons "young" in leadership.

To nominate someone for this year's young leader program, call the Indiana Soybean Growers Association at 1-800-735-0195 or email name, address and phone number to [bpuetz@indianasoybeanboard.com](mailto:bpuetz@indianasoybeanboard.com). Nominations must be postmarked by December 5 and self-nominations are welcome. All nominees will receive a two-page application. From the applications, a winner will be selected.

### MAIL EARLY

The Postal Service, in cooperation with the Department of Defense (DoD), is reminding Americans mailing overseas to loved ones deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom to mail early for the Holidays. It is also reminding Americans to do the right thing. Patriotic acts of support by some well-intentioned individuals and groups risks creating bottlenecks in the military's mail stream and delaying mail delivery from the service member's loved ones.

Shortly after 9/11 and the anthrax attacks, the DoD suspended Operation Dear Abby and other mail addresses as "Any Service Member," "Any Soldier," "Any Marine, Sailor," etc. due to concerns relating to mail being introduced into the mail system from unknown sources. These programs remain

suspended, yet many individuals have circumvented this prohibition by mailing bulk quantities of cards, letters and care packages addressed to individual service members. The DoD has requested that these loyal Americans instead extend their support through activities listed on a special military web site or by calling a toll-free number.

Do the Right Thing

The DoD recommends supporting the service member's family at home, or through other local programs, or by:

visiting [www.defendamerica.mil](http://www.defendamerica.mil) and clicking the "Support Our Troops" icon;

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Addressing Tips

The DoD has requested that those who send mail use the service member's full name (with or without rank or rating), unit and APO/FPO (Air/Army Post Office or Fleet Post Office) address with the nine-digit ZIP Code (if one is assigned) and a return address. For packages, customers are reminded to place addresses on one side only. The return address in the upper left

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Nov 24 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall  
Nov 27 Thanksgiving Day  
Nov 28 Warren Recycle Day  
Nov 28 Warren Downtown Lighting & Santa beginning at 6 p.m.  
Dec 7 Walk Through the Inn of Bethlehem 5-8 p.m., Markle Church of the Brethren

Mar 26, 2004 Salomonie School Carnival Food 5:15 - 7, Games 6 to 8  
**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 **Salomonie Valley Museum** Open Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC **Storytime at Warren Public Library** 10 a.m. Fridays, **Walking in the Gym** 7 a.m. to Noon at Knight Bergman Center

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### Prohibitions

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- obscene articles (prints, paintings, cards, films, videotapes, etc.);
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Restrictions are updated every other Thursday at [ww.usps.com](http://ww.usps.com). Customers may also obtain this information by calling 1-800-ASK-USPS, or by visiting their local post office.

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When planes arrive overseas, the mail is tendered to the military and transported via local military transportation to delivery points. Since mid-March, more than 46 million pounds of mail - more than one million pounds per week - has been flown to the region.

The time to deliver varies depending on the category of mail and the country of destination. According to the Military Postal Service Agency (MPSA), depending on where the service member is located, letters and Priority Mail parcels to Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait normally take 10 to 15 days. There may be size restrictions and customs declaration form requirements to some locations as mail going through the MPSA can be subject to the host country customs requirements.

### Packaging Tips

It's a good idea to keep the following in mind to ensure that packages are delivered promptly.

• Extreme Temperatures: Desert temperatures typically exceed 100 degrees.

• The Box: Select a box strong enough to protect the contents and large enough to accommodate cushioning. If reusing a box, cover all previous labels and markings with a heavy black marker or adhesive labels.

• Cushioning: Cushioning the contents with newspaper is a novel way to send news from home. Styrofoam and bubble wrap are also good choices. Close and shake the box. If it rattles, add additional cushioning to keep items from shifting.

• Batteries: Occasionally a battery powered item such as a radio or electric razor will turn itself on during shipment. Be sure to remove and wrap the batteries separately.

• Sealing: Tape the opening of the box and reinforce all seams with 2"

wide tape. Use clear or brown packaging tape, reinforced packing tape or paper tape. Do not use cord, string or twine as it causes the package to get caught and possibly damaged in sorting equipment.

• Include a card describing the contents: Occasionally improperly wrapped packages fall apart during shipment. Including a card inside the package that lists the sender's and recipient's addresses along with a description of the contents helps in collecting items that have fallen open during processing.

## SKATING PARTY BENEFITS CHARITIES

Over one hundred girls participated in a time of fun and sharing during a Skating Party held on Sunday, October 26 at West Park Skate Center. Each girl paid a \$3.00 fee and brought at least one can of food to enjoy two hours of skating with fellow Girl Scouts and their guests. As a result girls from all of the Huntington County Schools as well as a few of surrounding area schools were able to make nice donations to three different local charities, Huntington House, Love Inc., and Open Door each received a donation of 47 can goods as well as \$62 in cash. This exceeded the expectations of organizer Kathy Vachon and the other Roanoke and Northwest Girl Scout leaders who sponsored this special event.

Any girl wishing to join a Girl Scout troop to participate in similar activities should call the volunteer in charge of organizing Girl Scouts at the school they attend. Call Dawn Frecker at 260-375-4400 for Salamonie School. Though the Girl Scout year runs from October 1 to September 30, girls are welcomed to join any age level troop at any time during this year.



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## CLUB NEWS

Grant County Salon 195/ 8/40 held their thanksgiving meeting November 20, 2003 at Post 10.

A Thanksgiving supper was held by carry-in from partners.

Chapeau Rosemary Hammons opened the meeting after eating. LaSecretaries and La Cassiere's reports were read.

We have a cards and flower chairmen, it was discussed on changing it because we don't send flowers. It will now be the cards and memorial choice. We send money to the charity of choice.

Waneta Linton brought 11 ditty bags, that she made, and stuff to stuff them with, games, crayons, glue, pencils, tablets, etc. They will go to hospitals in South Bend, Fort Wayne and Evansville, that take care of kids with respiratory diseases.

Betty Hiatt read a poem on leadership, published by the Auxiliary in 1981. Very good report.

Ways & Means, Jeannie Conwell, sold changes on a Precious Moments figure. The drawing was tonight. Ruth Bole won the drawing.

Irene Pickard read a letter from Departmental d'Indiana that Cheryl Hale is going to run for LaConcierge for 2004-2005.

Hannah was passed around for Nurses Scholarship.

It was brought up and discussed about our Thanksgiving meeting next year to also bring in Christmas since we don't meet again til March. Louise Grindle made a motion to make it Christmas also with a five dollar gift exchange. Trudy Plummer second, Motion carried.

Trudy Plummer won the 50/50 drawing.

Door prizes won by Judy Gray, Kim Hammons, Jeannie Conwell.

Next meeting is March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2004, at Fairmount Post 313. Jonesboro Partners hostess.

Those attending were: Jeannie Conwell, Waneta Linton, Judy Gray, Kim Hammons, Mary Wayne, Mary Stone, Louise Grindle, Trudy Ann Plummer, Betty Hiatt, Rosemary Hammons and Irene Pickard.

Need partners to pay their dues for 2004.

## CLIFFORD AT THE LIBRARY

Clifford, the small Red Puppy was the guest of honor at Story Time at the Warren Library on Friday, November 21. Jane Ruble read Clifford, the Small Red Puppy, Clifford's Puppy Days and Clifford's Kittens.

The children also participated in Turkey finger plays before going home with Clifford papers and Clifford and bone shaped cookies provided by Mrs. Ruble.

Story time will resume on December 5 at 10:00.

## BAY VIEW

Bay View Reading Club met November 17<sup>th</sup> in the lounge at the McAllister Bldg. President Lavona Myers called the meeting to order by the reciting of the Club Collect in unison.

Roll call was answered by naming the favorite Thanksgiving dish. There were fourteen members present with Iva Mae Wyant becoming a new member.

The minutes of the October meeting were read and treasurer's report given and both approved as read.

Unfinished business was taken care of by voting to add a paragraph to Standing Rule No 2, stating as follows: "If a special occasion should arise where a donation or gift is in order, at the discretion of the Club officers, a donation or gift may be made."

As had been discussed and voted on in the October meeting, President Lavona Myers checked out the possible use of the Calico Room on 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Fults Building for our meeting place in the future. So in the future we will meet there on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, rather than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday.

For the December meeting the Home will be serving our dinner there, promptly at 12:30 p.m.

Virginia Olson gave her report as Card Chairman. It was voted to send a check for \$50.00 to the Warren Food Bank.

Mabel Fields gave an inspirational program on "Being Thankful Every Day."

Refreshments were served by Martha Rumble in keeping with the season.

Martha Rumble, Mabel Fields and Karlene Henry were the November Hostesses.

December hostesses will be Minette Bellant, Marion Dawson, Karlene Henry, Velma Lindstrom and Lilly Nutter.

## NATIONAL DEGREE

### RECIPIENT

Joshua Knight, a member of the Huntington North FFA chapter from Warren, IN, recently received the American FFA degree.

Earning the degree means Joshua is one of a select group of individuals to be recognized for years of academic and professional excellence. The honor was presented on November 1, 2003 at the National FFA convention, held in Louisville, KY.

The American FFA Degree recognizes demonstrated leadership ability and outstanding achievements in agricultural business, production and service programs. Recipients must also make it their mission to demonstrate outstanding leadership abilities and community involvement.

Each award recipient received a gold American FFA Degree Key, certificate and a wallet ID card to show recognition of of this honor. The degree program is sponsored by BASF, Case JH, Farm Credit System and Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. as a special project of

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### KLEFEKER

A resident of rural Poneto, Walter Richard Klefeker Sr., 69, died at 5:35 a.m. at his residence Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2003. He had been in failing health the past year.

Born May 14, 1934 in Coal Town, Ohio, to Robert and Ada Riegle Klefeker Sr., he married the former Peggy Teeple at Las Vegas, Nev., Sept. 18, 1989.

Retired from Dana Corp. after 30 years of service, Mr. Klefeker was a member of the Southern Wells Community Church, the Bluffton Masonic Lodge #145, Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, and the Bluffton Moose Lodge. He was also engaged in farming.

Survivors include four sons, Doug of Keystone, Walter Jr. of Ossian, Bruce of Warren, and Steve of Fort Wayne; a daughter, Diana Collins, Liberty Center; three step sons, Jack Steen of Celina, Ohio; Rick Brotherton of Berne, and Gregory Brotherton of Portland; two step daughters, Deborah Ross of Decatur and Carla Runyon of Portland; two brothers, Robert Jr. of Saluda, N.C., and Stuart of Bluffton; 11 grandchildren, 12 step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren. His first wife, Diane Meadows Enyeart survives and resides in Decatur.

Services were held at Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home. Officiating was Rev. Rick Bullock and burial was in Grove Cemetery.

Masonic funeral services by Bluffton Lodge #145 were held at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana.

### LEGG

The mother of James R. Legg of Warren, Mary L. Legg, 82, of Wabash, died at 2:29 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2003 at the Americare Living Center in Wabash.

Born Jan. 27, 1921 in Wabash County to James and Ada Aronet Glover, she married Oliver Legg in Marion on Aug. 24, 1948; he died Aug. 24, 1996.

Other survivors include two other

sons, Larry Abney of Van Buren and William Legg of Calif.; three daughters, Retha Murphy of Michigan, Judy Weaver of Arkansas, and Mary Jane Lengel of Wabash; four sisters, Pauline James, Mickey Buck and Jerry Olinzer, all of Marion, and Susie Warner of Gas City; and 17 grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by five brothers, Roy, Jim, Fred, Bud and Dan Glover; and two sisters, Erma Crowell and Easter Peters.

There were no visitation or services. Burial was in Gardens of Memory in Marion. Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren was in charge of arrangements.

### BRINNEMAN

A native of Huntington County, Lela E. Brinneman, 99, died at 1:40 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21, 2003 at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren.

She was a lifelong resident of the Warren area and formerly worked at Boughners Market in Warren. She enjoyed fishing and gardening. She attended Rock Creek School in Huntington County and was a member of the United Church of Christ in Warren.

Born June 7, 1904 in Huntington County to Fred R. and Elsie V. Kemp Pownall, her marriage on Dec. 1, 1928 was to Paul D. Brinneman, who died Jan. 29, 1972.

Surviving is one son, Ronald E. Brinneman of Warren; seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by a son, Lowell D. Brinneman, three brothers, Earl, Edward and Wilfred Pownall, and two sisters, Deloras A. Pownall and Lola Swagger Fuller.

Funeral services were held at the United Methodist Memorial Home with Rev. John Pattison officiating and Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel handling arrangements. Calling was at the United Methodist Home.

Burial was in Lancaster Cemetery in Huntington County.

In lieu of flowers, preferred memorials are to the United Church of Christ in Warren.

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**Composites** - tooth colored restorative (filling) material  
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**Edentulous** - having lost most or all of the natural teeth  
**Gingivitis** - reversible inflammation of gum tissue not including the bone  
**Malocclusion** - misalignment of teeth and or jaws  
**Occlusal Surface** - chewing surface of the tooth  
**Periodontal Disease** - inflammation and irritation of the gums, which if left untreated, can cause the jawbone to deteriorate and teeth to fall out  
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Joshua is currently attending BlackHawk College in Illinois. He is the son of Lowell and Karen Knight of Warren.

## ACCEPTED AT NORTHWESTERN

Nathan Minnich, son of Don Minnich and Susan Minnich of Poneto, IN, has been accepted to the University of Northwestern Ohio in Lima, OR to begin classes in the June Session where he will be majoring in the Diesel Tech program. Nathan attends Southern Wells.

## CELEBRATES 106

Harvey Hite of Warren celebrated his 106th birthday on November 15th with a dinner at the Country Buffet in Fort Wayne. His celebration was hosted by his children. Those who enjoyed celebrating with Harvey were, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Hite, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hite, Mrs. Cheryl Bolman, Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Rorick, Mr. and Mrs. James Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Rutan, Avery Rutan, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Ruczo, Ted Burton, Tara Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Connelly and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bragalone. Congratulations Harvey and wish you many more.

## LADIES MET

The Women's Fellowship of the United Church of Christ met in the church lounge on November 24, 2003. The president, Roselyn Poulson, read a poem, "Fill Your Heart With Thanksgiving".

Secretary, Jo Spade, read the

minutes and they were approved. Treasurer, Rosemary Zeller gave the report for this month. A bill was allowed for shipping the medicine bottles.

Old business: We mailed a box of small medicine and film bottles to a mission overseas to check on the cost of shipping by boat, which takes two months. There were approximately 125 bottles at a cost of \$10.05. We will keep saving the bottles and decide later if we want to continue shipping them. We are hoping for a letter from the mission stating their need for them.

New Business: Sewing day will be on January 26th to make the comforter for the Salomonie Festival, plus some lap robes. Janet Brubaker will check to see if she can purchase a 90"X 108" quilt top when she goes up to Shipshewanna soon. We do have the sheet for the backing.

The Christmas Party for the church will be Sunday evening at 7:00 PM with the children presenting a play and refreshments afterwards. Roselyn Poulson, Eileen Dye, Rosemary Zeller, Betty Parker, and Jo Spade are on the committee for the refreshments. The committee needs 12 to 14 people to bake cookies. She had some volunteers, but needs more. Sunday the 14th will be Barnabas Appreciation Day.

Roselyn Poulson made 41 cancer turbans for the Lutheran Hospital and presented them as gifts from the Women's Fellowship. The Women's Fellowship purchased two Poinsettias for the church Christmas decoration.

Janet Brubaker presented the program on Thanksgiving and Pioneers. Families are our treasure and we pause to remember the hardships the pioneers had in settling this area. She talked about families that settled here in the period of 1837 to 1840. They had special strengths and faith, had guards at night watching for the Indians, and their worse hardship was disease. Their first activity after their homes, was to build a church for worship, and next was a school so the children could be educated. Many of those settlers still have descendants living on

those farms and going to the churches they started.

She told us about a ship that was unique and had the misfortune of losing their mariner, the ship got lost and their supplies diminished after they were out on the sea for a year. They decided they would have to sacrifice one of the passengers to keep the others alive. They waited as long as they could, but at the last minute saw another ship, and were rescued.

Next she related about a 1907 homesteader, Thomas Jefferson Watson, who happened to be the great, great grandfather of her husband Richard. They homesteaded 1 acre out in New Mexico, but after 3 years with no luck farming the land, moved back to Indiana and settled on a farm on Hwy. 218 west of Hwy 9. His wife kept a diary of their trip back which recalled that the horses quite often balked after days of traveling sometimes 30 miles a day. That was exciting, and they also had five children with them.

In 1961 a father, during a moment of whimsy, homesteaded an acre out in New Mexico. They only needed to put some improvement and pay \$6 taxes a year to keep it. The father died in 1971, but the family still owns the land and a descendant took a weeks vacation to go out and check on the property. It is now part of a ranch, but there was evidence of where a shanty had been, and where someone attempted to plough the ground. The ground is really not worth anything as far as farming is concerned.

We are thankful for the stamina of our ancestors to settle this land that we enjoy so much. She closed the program with a poem "God of Our Future and God of Our Past" and a prayer.

The members formed the Love Circle, received the Love Offering and sang "I Will Bless You Oh Lord" and repeated the Mizpah Benediction.

Hostesses, Peggy Wilson and Jo Spade served refreshments to: Roselyn Poulson, Eileen Dye, Opal Brubaker, Georgia Poulson, Janet Brubaker, Marjorie Lieurance, and Rosemary Zeller.

## TRI KAPPA MEETING

Our meeting of Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Tri Kappa was held on November 4, 2003 at Nancy Bonham's home. The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by President Karen Campbell.

We discussed activities dating back to Aug. 2, 1927. A few of the members told stories about the activities and events from the good old days including "The Pink Slipper."

Tri Kappa Nuts were sold at the United Methodist Home on Nov. 14, 2003. We are still taking orders. There are a variety of nuts available to choose from. Please contact a Tri Kappa member.

The members present at the meeting were Nancy Bonham, Judy Bradford, Karen Campbell, Karen Hunnicutt, Jane Jones, Debbie Ledbetter, Karen McCoy, Stacia Perry, and Bridget Swaidner.

The next meeting will be held at Karen Campbell's home on Dec. 2,

2003 at 7:00 pm. Members are asked to bring a Christmas ornament to exchange.

## RAIDER OF THE DAY

The following Southern Wells Elementary students were Raider of the Day winners for October and November:

Tanner Fear (2), Amanda Hoglund (K), Clay Barr (3), Austin Hampton (5), Daniel Velasquez (2), Dakota Clark (K) Damion Watters (K), Hilary Paxson (2), Matthew Powell (K), Austin Osborn (2), Jacey Dunnuck (K), Matt Mallott (3), Christa Schortgen (2), Emily Hartley (5), Seth Biberstine (4), Hannah Penrod (K), Natane Hartley (4), Ashley Gatto (1), Kraig Butche (4), Breanna Welsh (2), Jade Studebaker (3), Adam Carey (K), Anna Thompson (K), Jessica Betz (2), Kristen Johnson (K), Cole Preston (2), Austin Velasquez (K), Nick Miller (2), Austin Hampton (5), Conner White (K), Korbin Gephart (1), Brittany Tudor (K), Elizabeth Davis (5), T. C. Perry (K), Thomas Stepp (K), Kira Mounsey (K), Hunter Schreiber (K), Ace Piper (K), Jacob Studebaker (K), Arley Carey (2), Tara Gerstorff (K), Gavin Barcus (K), and Jackson Bartlett (K).

Congratulations Raiders!!

## HONOR ROLL

Van Buren Elementary Honor Roll for Second Six-Weeks Period November 14, 2003

Second Grade - Mandi Beck, Spencer Goodman, Zack Handshoe, Chris Harvey, Matthew Hertlein, Katie Hughes, Trystan Kirkpatrick, Kortney Leech, Carson Lee-Suddarth, Bailey Mansbarger, Jerney Pattison, Peyton Smallwood, Clara Swagger, Braden Walker, Logan Wetherington, Jessica Berry, Jacob Higginbotham, Brittany Jones, Kyla Larson, Desiree Litchfield, Shelby Marden, Cody Nagy, Alicia Smith, Jessica Smith, Mark Stevenson, Mack Zoda

Third Grade - Icily Cromer, Braxton Gray, Wesley Herrera, Korisa Kitts, Logan McGinnis, Autum Miller-Smith, Delta Oswalt-Benge, Taran Sanderson, Jared Taylor, Dalen Beck, Hanna Boucher, Gabe Conn, Whitney Embry, Bethany Holman, Ashley Kerr, Ethan McDonald, Taylor Nail, Rikki Reneer, Joah Rumble, Derek Showalter, Wesley White, Dakota Williams

Fourth Grade - Brandon Bosworth, Madison Brewer, Olivia Drake, Shelby Gary, Lance Hoch, Holly Hutchinson, Baylee Morgan, Matthew Nelson, Thomas Roush, Sarah Shields, Ethan Smith, Robert Tate

Fifth Grade - Tiffany Craven, Reilley Jones, Blake McQueen, Alison Stout, Cady Swagger, Kaitlyn Tenbusch, Andrew Weiland, Adria Johnson, Jackson Bratcher, Mary-Rose Burns, Kendall Green, Amiee Huston, Greg Marsh, Boone Searles, Kyle Shafer, Robbie Stevenson

Sixth Grade - Deric Ailstock, Maggie Ailstock, Courtney Bosley, Stephen Greene, Caleb Hemmick, Emily McDonald, Zak Osburn, Kari Roush, Kaylee Searles, Josh Stevens, Kayla Straley, Hallie Wetherington

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Van Buren Elementary Perfect Attendance for Second Six-Weeks Period November 14, 2003

Kindergarten - Will Bratcher, Dallas Bryant, Holly Felver, Remi Felver, Autumn Harmon, Courtney Haynes, Caitlin Imhoff, Sam Litchfield, Colleen Mealer, Andrew Rumble, Storm Wright, Mariah Drake, Courtney Embry, Chelsea Cason, Nixon Miller-Smith, Kaley Kitts, Gaige Colburn, Emily Snedigar

First Grade - Blake Bollhoefer, Marissa Brewer, Jason Bryant, Megan Fetter, Shane McCollum, Caleb McCoy, Michael Strieter, James Lowe, Kayla Shafer

Second Grade - Phillip Dailey, Jonathan Harpham, Jacob Higginbotham, Cody Nagy, Jessica Smith, Karlee Stambaugh, Anthony Trainer, Spencer Goodman, Jacob Gray, Zack Handshoe, Chris Harvey, Bailey Mansbarger, Jerney Pattison, Justin Smith, Braden Walker, Logan Wetherington

Third Grade - Icily Cromer, Braxton Gray, Logan McGinnis, Autum Miller-Smith, Jared Taylor, Dalen Beck, Hanna Boucher, Julisa Clevenger, Gabe Conn, Kayla Corey, Cassie Davis, Bethany Holman, Taylor Nall, Rikki Reneer, Derek Showalter, Wesley White

Fourth Grade - Matthew Bernaix, Brandon Bosworth, Olivia Drake, Ashley Hatland, Elaine Herrera, Holly Hutchinson, Matthew Nelson, Thomas Roush, Sarah Shields

Fifth Grade - Patrick Anderson, Taylor Beck, Brandon Fetter, Reilley Jones, Garrett Maxey, Blake McQueen, Kaitlyn Tenbusch, Andrew Weiland, Brody Bosley, Jackson Bratcher, Maryrose Burns, Jason Clevenger, Jeremy Clevenger, Brittini-Lynn Davis, Anthony Gray, Lindsey Harpham, Amiee Huston, Greg Marsh, Cameron Riddle, Kyle Shafer, Robbie Stevenson

Sixth Grade - Deric Ailstock, Maggie Ailstock, Jacy Boan, Stephen Greene, Tyler Greenwood, Caleb Hemmick, Adam King, Josh Knight, Bailey Maxey, Mallory Messersmith, Sam Sherrier, Heather Stevens, Kayla Straley, Mervin Reed, Josh Stevens, Kayla Straley, Hallie Wetherington.

## HUNTINGTON EAGLES & LADY EAGLES

The Huntington Eagles Junior Varsity & Varsity boys fought hard to achieve a double victory over the Fort Wayne Guard, the Home School team for the South part of FW. The JV Eagles held a 17-15 lead at half-time, but were able to end with a 36-27 victory. Ben Burnworth had a career high 18 points with 2 rebounds, 3 steals & an assist. Kraigh Reed had 10p, 5r, 1s; Andrew Daniels 6p, 9r, 4s, 2a; Thomas Meehan 1p, 7r, 5s, 1a & 2 blocked shots; Vincent Burnworth 1p, 1s, 1b; Jonathan Eckert 3r, 4s, 1a; Austin Abbott had 5 steals & Caleb Featherson had one.

The JV team is now 2-1 and is coached by Jeff Humbarger.

The Varsity Eagles stretched their

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lead to 20, then relaxed in the 4th to end 73-57. Their defense held Chris Parker to 10, then Daniel Cook awed the crowd with 2x3 pointers in the 4th quarter, he ended with 8. Eagles captain Blake Hitzfield led his team with a double double 19 points & 10 rebounds, 3 assists, 1 steal & a block. Josh Shoemaker 17p, 6r; Tim Nei 10p, 4r, 2s; Josh Rich 6p, 8r, 2s, 1b; Paul Meehan 7p, 1s; Pat Meehan 6p, 2r; Trent Lloyd 2p, 5r, 8a, 4s; Ben Burnworth 2p, 1r; Andrew Daniels 3p; Blaine Hitzfield 1p, 1r, 1s; Thomas Meehan 2r, 1b; Jake Smith 1r, 1a; Kraigh Reed 1a; Ryan House 1 rebound. The Varsity Eagles are now 4-1 and are coached by Mark Featherston & Mark Shultz.

The Lady Eagles play the Fort Wayne Hurricanes Friday night at Spiece.

The Huntington Lady Eagles played the Fort Wayne Hurricanes Friday night at Spiece Fieldhouse.

The Hurricanes were formed this year, as a new girls HomeSchool team, with a majority of their girls coming from the Fort Wayne Falcons. The Falcons had previously been the only girls HomeSchool team in Fort Wayne.

Their Varsity defense, a characteristic of the Falcons, pulled away 37 turnovers from the Lady Eagles as the Hurricanes (4-0) won 23-42.

The Hurricanes were led by 6 foot Julianna Eichmann with 13 points, and 5'10" Alethea Gerardot with 10.

The Eagles were led by Baili Bennett with 13 points (including 5/6 from the line), 3 rebounds & a steal. Trina Lloyd 3p, 1r, 2s; Samantha Kelsey 1p, 6r; Sarah Finley 2p, 3r, 1 assist; Megan Gibbons 6r; Angie Grover 2p, 2r; Kiera Shultz 2p, 1r; Tara Nei 2r, 1a; Rebecca Daniels 2r, 2s.

Their Junior Varsity (1-2) were then defeated by the Eagles 23-14.

Even with only one girls team this year, the winded Eagles did not slack on defense, as they took the ball away 22 times, while turning it over only 17. The Eagles were led by Baili Bennett with 11 points (3/4 at the foul line), 2 rebounds & 4 steals. Samantha Kelsey 2p, 6r, 3s; Trina Lloyd 2p, 2r, 2s, 1 assist; Sarah Finley 2p, 1r, 2s, 2a; Megan Gibbons 2p, 2r, 2s; Angie Grover 2p, 3s; Tara Nei 2p, 1r, 2s; Rebecca Daniels 2r, 2s; Kiera Shultz 2s, 1r.

The Lady Eagles are now 3-2 and coached by Julie Hendryx and assisted by Mary Ehinger.

## THE WARREN SCHOOL IN WW-II

Dick Smith— [crskrs@pacol.net](mailto:crskrs@pacol.net)  
The younger children of Warren and the surrounding area now go to a nice, new school just north of Warren on Route 5. The older students are transported to the big high school in Huntington. But how many of you can remember going to school in your own home town? You left home about ten minutes before school started, and you could often walk home for lunch. I know the children from the farm families has a bus ride, but I'll bet it wasn't as long as the ride to Huntington now. And how many remember that we had an 8-month school year! We were out by the first of May each year—that makes for a long summer vacation, but it was originally established to allow high school boys and girls living on farms to help with the crops.

Our Warren School was built in 1925-26. The cost of the building was \$155,700—compare that with today! I was unable to find any total attendance records for the WW-II War Years, but our classes averaged on the order of 25-35 students. I know that sounds big compared to some schools now, but no one thought so at the time. Looking back at the layout of the school, ours was somewhat ahead of its time with the ramps instead of stairs. Remember how grade school students had classes only on the first floor, while high school students had classes all over the building.

One statistic I came across really impressed me. Picking at random, the school's total attendance record for April, 1943 was 96.99%; and Grades 4 and 6 had records of 99.35%! Jefferson's School had a similar record of 96.89% for this month. And these numbers remained at this level most of the year. I wonder how that compares with school attendance nowadays?

I remember Business and Typing under Ruskin Laymon was on the second floor, along with the Home Economics classroom under either Ms. Duckwall, Ms. Bowman, or Ms. Wampler. We had our Home Room in the Auditorium, and had classes all over the building. The teachers we had during the War Years are all listed in a future article on Warren Teachers I have written. I remember that downstairs in the basement was the Shop Area under Mr. Williams, until he left to run the Gamble Store in town. And the Boiler Room, which was sometimes used for a quick "smoke", was next to the Shop.

Early in the War Years, Clifford Pribble was the Principal; he left at the end of the 42-43 school year, and our Mathematics Teacher and Coach, Austin Smith, took over as Principal. He was replaced as Coach by our Fourth Grade Teacher, Pouless Wright. The War had a definite effect on the Teaching Staff; at the start of the War, we had TEN male teachers out of a total of eighteen—and by 1944, we were down to only THREE male teachers—Mr. Smith, Mr. Laymon, and Mr. Wright!

In reviewing the Senior Class Pictures, I found an interesting trend in

class size. In 1942, we had 36 graduates; in 1943, this number dropped to only 24; but it went back up in 1944 to 30. And then dropped clear down to only 20 in 1945. They were all born before the start of the Great Depression, so it doesn't seem to relate to economic conditions.

Indiana is known nationwide for its High School Basketball, and that prompted me to write an article on it last summer for the July 11<sup>th</sup> Warren Weekly. Our records were not earth-shattering, but were still well-above the .500 level. We were pretty successful in taking the Four-Team Tournament we always sponsored in January, and we always entered the Sectional with high hopes! I don't believe Warren ever won the Sectional, but I did find records that we once beat Huntington during the year.

I'm often asked here in Pennsylvania if Indiana schools had anything but basketball. I remember we had pretty good baseball teams during this period. I do know that our home field certainly gave us a great advantage. If some of you don't remember why, drive by the old school and look at what was Left Field. Our left fielder had to be a "mountain goat" to play the steep hill out in left field!! Visiting players always had trouble with that hill; the ball could bounce just any direction! The field was also used for the Summer Softball League that played a full schedule during the summer months of the War.

I have written before about the students' participation in helping the War Effort. We were active in both newspaper collection drives and scrap drives. And the whole school was active in buying War Bonds and Stamps. I was really impressed when I read in an old Warren Tribune where we had bought enough Bonds and Stamps to buy a Jeep for the Army—and we were starting on our second one! While my data may not reflect total participation, the records that I have indicate that our graduates truly contributed to the War personally. The 1942 Class had NINE men go to the Service; the 1943 Class had TWELVE men go to the Service; while the 1944 Class had NINE men go to the Service. The records I have indicate that none of the Class of 1945 had to go into the Service—but the war in Europe was over, and we knew we were going to beat Japan.

You nowadays read about how parents in large cities want their children to go to Neighborhood Schools—well, that's what we had in our Warren School. Parents all knew the teachers personally. Maybe they knew the basketball coaches too well—they always caught-it when our team wasn't winning!! (Doesn't this sound like the Movie "Hoosiers"?). But it was a close-knit school community, where discipline problems didn't grow into serious situations. While we didn't have all the fancy "extras" that are deemed NECESSARY now, we still got a good education from strong teachers there, and our graduates went on to become good citizens and outstanding people.

I don't mean to end on a "senti-

mental note", but we as graduates, parents, and residents of Warren and the surrounding areas lost something when "our school" was closed. More than just our basketball team, we lost some of our "identity" as our own people. But I know that that's PROGRESS. And the children of Warren are now getting an education that will equip them to live in a World that is a lot different than it was in the 1940's.

## JR/SR HONOR ROLLS

The following Southern Wells Jr./Sr. High School students received academic honor for Grading Period 1:

High Honor  
Grade 12 - Sarah Oswalt, Aimee Reff, and Cory Runkle.  
Grade 11 - Nikki Allred and Sarina Winterrowd.  
Grade 10 - Heather Roush.  
Grade 9 - Emily Fiock.  
Grade 8 - Casey Carroll, Hamzah Khan, Joshua Lavanchy, and Shawn Longenberger.  
Grade 7 - Kristy Penrod, Ashley Pietz, and Derek Price.

Honor  
Grade 12 - Johanna Camino, Nathan Campbell, Trace Craig, Natalie Drayer, Vincent Fiechter, Patrick Kober, Mandy Lloyd, Holly Murphy, Brett Myers, Andrew Pursiful, April Reynolds, Jessica Reynolds, Els Rooyakkers, Ashley Schuller, Meredythe Smith, Davina Swartz, Jessica Thomas, and Jarin Tucker.

Grade 11 - Laci Bower, Heather Bunch, Holly Rock, Brittany Lynn Gregg, Keri Hank, Kyle Johnson, Kellie Mendenhall, Abigail Smith, Amy Spaulding, Daniel Stauffer, Summer Story, and Jalinda Tucker.

Grade 10 - Craig L. Carroll, Zachary Cassiday, Derek Daugherty, Suzanne Drayer, Joyce Flanagan, Lia Gentis, Cherish Jenkins, Samantha Lichtsinn, and Cierra Sessions.

Grade 9 - Terrence Merchant, Thomas Mossburg, Brittany Napier, Chad Ramseier, Brandon Reaser, Daniel Renner, and Jennifer Robbins.

Grade 8 - Kathryn Banter, Mychal Chandler, Jason Christman, Katie Coolman, Julia Duncan, Erica Eldridge, Lucas Hamilton, Thad Harter, Brittany Herring, Kristen Hollowell, Kaitlyn Huffman, Ryan Kellam, Natalie Lewellen, Laura Paxson, Christopher Siebold, and Anna Teague.

Grade 7 - Sara Alford, Kelsey Bonewit, Skye Bower, Grace Boxell, Chelsea Clakley, Troy Fiechter, Alex Fiock, Stella Grimm, Andrew Habegger, Tia Henderson, Haley Killingbeck, Natalie Knowles, Devin Leas, Spencer Massey, Bethany Nott, Deidre Poling, Meghan Prible, Emily Pursiful, Amos Robles, Maartje Rooyakkers, Katie Scott, Tayler Story, Sarah Stultz, Kyle Thompson, and Danika Warfield.

## PATRIOT CLUB HONORED

4-H families met recently for their annual Achievement Program which honors members and their accomplishments.

Club Record Book Awards were presented to: Kent Blazier, Arts & Crafts; Aaron Mossburg, BBQ;

Anna Griswold, Cake Decorating and Models; Lana Stringer, Child Care; Chris Thornton, Collections; Justin Thomas, Computer; Emily Miller, Electric; Cynthia Stinson, Flowers; Jacob Mossburg, Foods; Jessica Stinson, Garden; Lindsay Smith, Gift Wrapping and Personality; Lanette Stringer, Scrapbooking; Brittany Blazier, Sewing.

County Record Book Awards were presented to: Jessica Stinson, Garden; Lindsay Smith, Gift Wrapping and Photography; and Caleb Mossburg, Personality.

Outstanding Record Books submitted at the County Fair are judged by 4-H Leaders and submitted for township and county awards. Accuracy, completeness, and neatness are the major factors considered in the judging.

Electric Awards were presented to: Samuel Dowty, Electric, Division II, Clock. The awards are provided by United REMC and the State 4-H Electric Committee.

Betty Bryant, chairperson of the County Committee of the Indiana 4-H Foundation reported on the successful events conducted by the organization this year. 4-H members were encouraged to apply for the scholarships and educational trips that are sponsored by the 4-H Foundation.

A PowerPoint presentation "4-H Fair Highlights" was given by Roger Sherer, Extension 4-H Educator.

Wells County Farm Bureau was thanked for the financial support of the meal and 4-H member pins.

4-H Club Leader Cindy Mossburg was thanked for her leadership with the club.

Parents or interested adults are needed to serve on the 4-H Council and 4-H Association. Interested adults should contact the Cindy Mossburg, 758-2272 or the Wells County Extension Office, 824-6412.

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