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Thought for the Week: *Having children makes you no more a parent than having a piano makes you a pianist.* Michael Levine



PRO's RAFFLE

Salamonie School Carnival PRO's raffle \$1.00 per ticket. Win this 3 1/2 (pictured) foot tall Black Bear, carved and donated by Sid King. Winners announced March 24. Tickets can be purchased from the school office or Diana Huff, Marilyn Bradford, Amy Cummins or Denise McIntire.

WINTER PANTRY

The winter pantry will be held again Saturday March 11 at the Pulse opera House lobby. R Bakery will be there along with Tri Kappa's nuts and candies; Her-rings noodles, jellies and baked goods.

Sorry we don't have fresh asparagus, raspberries, strawberries and all those good things from the gardens. Just keep thinking spring for it will all soon be here.

GROUND BREAKING

Come join the excitement with Habitat for Humanity, the Zumbun's, and the current Warren Build sponsor and supporters; Huntington County Community Foundation, Town of Warren, Warren S.O.S, MarkleBank, First Baptist Church, Jefferson United Methodist Church, Crossroad Missions Brownsburg Christian Church, Bolinger's Service & Supply, Star

Excavating, Square D Corporation, Larson Storm Doors, Whirlpool, and Huntington Ready Mix.

A Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. for the first Habitat for Humanity house in Warren. All of Warren is invited to join us at 125 9th Street as we look forward to the exciting process of building the Zumbun family's new home. Come join us meet your neighbors and find out more about Habitat.

It is not too late to be a part of this project, as a volunteer, pray support, donor, construction expertise, materials, or even collecting your aluminum cans and drop them off at the collection house located at the build site.

PIZZA & POPS

Southern Wells Bands will host 'Pizza & Pops' on Friday March 10 from 5-7 PM in the Southern Wells High School cafeteria. There will be performances by all Southern Wells Band groups, 5th grade, 6th grade, 7th grade, 8th grade, and the Raider Force Pep Band. This year's event will feature music to 'celebrate' America, toe tapping favorites that will have everyone wanting to sing along! Dinner is by advance tickets only, and includes two pieces of pizza, salad, and drink. Tickets are \$6.00 and are available from any Southern Wells band member, or by calling 260-760-1986. Patrons can also attend the performance without dinner for \$2.00, tickets available at the door. All proceeds benefit Southern Wells Bands' projects.

SPRING CLEAN UP

The Woodlawn Cemetery will begin Spring Clean Up later this month. Families who would like to save winter decorations are asked to remove them as soon as possible. For more information call 375-2970. Thank You

STORY TIME

Preschool story time will begin at the Warren Public Library on Friday, March 17, at 10:30 a.m. (please note the time change).

Linda Howell will be leading these half-hour enrichment sessions. No registration is required.

EASY READING

The Warren Public Library has purchased a number of large print books by such popular authors as Max Lucado, Lauraine Snelling, Nora Roberts, Fern Michaels, Robert Parker, Tess Gerritsen and James Lee Burke. There are romance, mystery, suspense, western and nonfiction and all are new titles to our library.

LOST AND FOUND

More items have been found at the Warren Library or outside the library. Check with the librarian for missing items.

MORNING WORSHIP

The Van Buren United Methodist Church morning worship service by Dr. Blake J Neff will be entitled Where Jesus Walked this Sunday. Special Music will include a solo by David W Ferguson "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked. Worship time is at 9:30 a.m.

TRIPLE FRY

A Fish, Chicken and Tenderloin supper will be held Tuesday, March 21st from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Banquo Christian Church.

Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$4.00 for children 6-12, 5 and under eat free.

Carry-out is available in the basement with entry through the front doors.

APRIL SUNDAY LUNCH

Sunday lunch will be served on Sunday April 2, 2006 at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center in Warren. The lunch is being prepared by the Sigma Phi Gamma

Sorority.

The menu will be baked steak, ham, hot sides, salad, desserts and drinks. The cost of the meal is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children ages 6-12. No advanced tickets are necessary. Carry-outs will be available. Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. and ends at 1 p.m.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will go back into the community for various projects.

SOUP FOR THE SOUL

Boehmer U.M. Church is holding a "Soup for the Soul" Soup Cook-Off. Come join us for fellowship and a little friendly competition on Sunday, March 12th at 11:30. No admission fee will be charged, but donations will count as votes for your favorite soup or stew. All proceeds will go toward our building fund.

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"ODD COUPLE" CONTINUES FEATURED ARTIST - KENT STROCK

"The Odd Couple" opened to standing ovations last weekend at the Pulse Opera House. The run continues at the Pulse Opera House through March 18 with Kent Strock as the featured artist. Kent is a vessel artisan who works with spalted wood. Spalted wood is wood that has begun to rot. If the temperature and moisture conditions are just right, a fungus can grow in the wood.

Depending on the species of wood and the fungus that is produced, various colors are formed. Rotting wood is very difficult to mold and work with. All the wood used in his vessels have been hand collected throughout Northeastern Indiana without causing any harm to living trees and sensitive eco-systems. His work can be seen in the Pulse lobby through the run of "The Odd Couple."

"The Odd Couple" continues March 9, 10, 11, 16, 17 and 18. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. with doors opening at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 per adult and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be reserved by calling (260) 375-7017 or from the web site at www.pulseoperahouse.org. Season tickets are \$100 for five shows and will be available through the run of "The Odd Couple." Donations to the 20th Anniversary Season can be sent to the Pulse Opera House, P.O. Box 631, Warren, IN 46792.

PHOTO: (l-r) Darren Turney as "Vinnie" and Scott Nedberg as "Oscar" is the Pulse Opera House Production of "The Odd Couple."

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

It's TIME TO PREPARE FOR STORMS

Springtime and early summer are the seasons for windstorms, tornadoes, and hail in many parts of the country.

If they are common where you live, be prepared by putting together a power-outage kit. Keep it in a water-resistant storage container. Keep it in an easily accessible place. The kit should include:

* A safe light source such as a battery-powered lantern, flashlights or battery-powered area lights, and extra batteries. Avoid candles.

* An assortment of hand tools including pliers, a screwdriver, a cutting blade and a wire cutter.

* Include a utility knife, duct tape, a utility lighter to light pilot lights, a fire extinguisher, and a first aid kit.

Note that if all your phones are portable, they won't work when the power is out. And you won't be able to charge your cellphone.

Other items you will want to have available are a battery-operated radio for news updates and instructions, a battery-operated clock, prescription medications, and pet supplies.


There could be a long wait before power comes on. So know where you can find your favorite books, decks of cards, and games.

KIDS THINK 'INSIDE THE BOX'

You always knew that little kids seem to like the box more than the toy. Now it's official. The National Toy Hall of Fame has given the cardboard box an honored place in its exhibit.

At the Parents' Choice Foundation people wonder why it took so long. They say the Jack-in-the-Box and Candyland, which were both enshrined on the same day as the box, were never as attractive to kids.

Maybe it's the smell of cardboard that they find so attractive, but it's more likely to be the endless possibilities of a big box. A child can get away from mom and dad, sister, and brother for hours in a box. USA Today's Craig Wilson says his box became a little crowded when his collie and the neighbor kid got in with him, but he didn't mind.



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<p>WARREN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.</p> <p><i>Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery</i> WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022 Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Todd Winkler, Youth Minister Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt.</p> <p>Fellowship9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m.</p> <p>DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779 Dick Case, Pastor</p> <p>Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Sunday School.....9:30a.m. 2nd Worship Service10:30a.m. Youth Group (6th-12th).5:30p.m.</p> <p>Wed - Circle of Friends (3yrs old - 5th grade) .. 6:30-8p.m.</p> <p>McNATT UNITED METHODIST 375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt.</p> <p>Coffee Fellowship.....8:30 a.m. Worship9:15 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102 Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor</p> <p>Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m. Junior Church 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Communion 1st Sunday of the Month Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.m.</p> <p>THE NEW BEGINNING SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto Steve Sutton, Pastor 765/728-2065 for more info</p> <p>Sunday Worship.....10:30a.m. ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME</p> <p>SUNDAY: Morning Worship9:30 a.m. OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat Chapel Services9:00 a.m.</p> <p>MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening6:00 p.m. Mid-Week (Wed)6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier Rev. John Wallace, Pastor</p> <p>Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship6:30 p.m.</p>

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AREA NEWS

HORSE O RAMA

The Huntington County 4-H Horse & Pony Leaders and the Chief LaFontaine Saddle Club are sponsoring an equine educational event, named Huntington's Horse O Rama. It is going to be held, Saturday, March 11, at Heritage Hall in Hier's Park in Huntington. The event will run from 10:00 to 5:00 and is open to all horse enthusiasts.

The Horse O Rama will include educational seminars throughout the day. Sara Davis, the Equine Specialist for Indiana with ADM Alliance Nutrition, will be speaking on Equine Nutritional Disorders at 11:00. Garek Becker, a representative from Fort Dodge Animal Health will speak about the importance of Horse Vaccinations at 1:00. At 3:00 Bill Zahm of Zahm Trailer Sales will be talking on Trailer Safety and Repairs. Farrier, Jerry Holmes will be on hand all day talking about the importance of hoof care and shoeing.

There will be a large tack and clothing consignment area for people to sell used horse related items. So if you are looking for items to get started or have clothing or tack you've outgrown, this will be a great place to look and buy.

There will be several Tack and Equipment vendors on hand, selling all types of clothing, equipment and fencing. A Silent Auction will be held during the day, which will include all types of items for you to bid on. A concession stand will also be available.

The public is invited to attend at no charge, but as a Community Service project the Huntington County 4-H Horse & Pony Leaders and the Chief LaFontaine Saddle Club are asking all attendees to bring a non-perish-

able item for the pets at the Huntington County Humane Shelter.

OFFERS SCHOLARSHIP

The Huntington County Safety Council is the proud sponsor of the Robert J Smith Memorial Scholarship. This \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a high school senior who resides in Huntington County and wishes to pursue a career in a health or safety related field. Selection is based upon academics, ability and financial need.

Scholarship applications are available at Huntington North High School. Please stop by the office during regular school hours to pick up an application. The completeness of this application will be taken into consideration when selecting the scholarship recipient. If recommendation forms are being directly submitted to the chairman, please indicate that on a separate sheet of paper.

Deadline to submit applications is March 31, 2006. Mail your completed application to: Holly D. Sale, Scholarship Chairman, 2001 Stults Road, Huntington, IN 46750.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council met in short session on Monday morning, Feb. 27, in Assembly Hall. President David Scheib called the meeting to order at 8 a.m.

and all in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

It was reported that AEP Contract Negotiations are underway.

Chris Vosmeier of Baird and Associates, discussed Retirement Plan 00 for town employees. Council agreed to take the plan under advisement.

President Scheib had attended a SCUD county-wide workshop on Economic Development, held Wednesday in Huntington.

Curtis Day gave his report from the Utility/Street Departments. The crew had been working on sewers and trimming trees.

Day reported there is a problem with one of the dump trucks. There appeared to be a problem getting parts.

The Park Department is scheduled to hold their first meeting of the year on March 13.

Council meetings in March will be held March 13 at 6:30 p.m. and March 27 at 8 a.m.

VAN BUREN COUNCIL

On Wednesday evening, March 1, the Van Buren Town Council met in the Council Room at Town Hall. President Tony Manry conducted the meeting which opened at 7 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

A citizen in attendance asked for an update on the sale of pop cans for the Garfield Project. There is still a need for a possible volunteer to help collect, smash and deliver the cans to sell.

Council discussed Insurance for members of the local Fire Department and agreed on a quote.

Brian Carpenter presented Council with a Pest Management Program for the Town Hall and the Fire Station. The main application would be made twice a year. Council agreed to take the matter under advisement.

Cornerstone Grants Management was approved by Council for a Grant Administrator.

The next Council meeting will be March 15.

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

- Mar 11 Knight Bergman Center Board Meeting, 8 am at KBC
- Mar 13 Warren Town Council 6:30 p.m. Assembly Hall
- Mar 14 Our Town Committee Meeting, 7pm Assembly Hall
- Mar 15 Van Buren Town Council 7pm
- Mar 17 **St Patrick's Day**
- Mar 17 Warren Recycle Day
- Mar 18 Poneto Fire Department Chili Supper
- Mar 18 Port-A-Pit Chicken Dinner/Kids' Carnaval 4-7pm at Markle Church of Brethren
- Mar 20 Salamonie Summer Festival Mtg, 6 p.m. Assembly Hall
- Mar 21 Dan's Fish Chicken & Tenderloin Supper, Banquo Christian Church 4:30 - 7:30
- Mar 24 Salamonie School PROS Carnival, Food 5:15-7:30, Games 6:00 - 8:00
- Mar 25 Fish Fry at Mt Zion 4:30 - 7:30
- Mar 27 Warren Town Council, 8am, Assembly Hall
- Mar 31 Warren Recycle Day
- Apr 5 Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
- Apr 5 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
- Apr 8 Jackson Township Alumni Banquet
- Apr 29 - 30 Open House at Gebhart's Farm Greenhouse
- May 13 Warren Alumni Banquet - Contact Jim Howell 375-3048
- Bread of Life Food Pantry** - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. **Bargain Basement** - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC **Depression Support Group** 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 **Walking in the Gym** at KBC 7-11 a.m. Mon-Fri **After School Adventure** - Tuesdays & Thursdays, after school till 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene



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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

SISTERS OF FAITH

The Sisters of Faith of the Warren Church of Christ held their regular meeting on Monday evening February 27, 2006, in the church lounge.

President, Eileen Dye opened the meeting by giving everyone a warm welcome.

Noodles were made again on Saturday, February 25, 2006. These will be on sale at our Bake Sale to be held at the United Methodist Home on Saturday, March 11, 2005.

The Group will be preparing College Cheer baskets again the end of March. We hope this helps the students to study harder.

Peggy Wilson was in charge of the program for the evening. She read a very interesting article about the meaning of the Mardi Gras. Since this is the beginning on the Lenten season, and the Mardi Gras begins the Lenten, it was a very timely article.

Following the program everyone enjoyed playing Famous Couples Bingo. Instead of numbers on the Bingo card, Famous Couples names were put in the squares. Each one received a prize for the evening.

Delicious refreshments were served by the committee: Peggy Wilson, Janet Sneed, Janet

Klefeker and Daniel Martin to: Marsha Walton, Eileen Dye, Rosemary Zeller, Suzette Gephart, Georgia Poulson, Nancy Smyth, Marjorie Gard and Ellen Laymon.

BIG SALE/MARKET

What: Community Rummage Sale & Flea Market

When: Sunday, March 19 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Blackford County 4-H building, Hartford City

Over 40 different tables of new and used merchandise available. Lunch will be available.

LAWN CARE WORKSHOP

The Blackford County Extension Service will host a lawn care workshop on March 21st at 7:00PM. The program will cover lawn care basics including fertilizing, maintenance, lawn renovation, and weed control. Please register by March 16th at (765)348-3213. There is no cost for the program. This event will be held at the Blackford County Courthouse Annex.

PET PHOTO CONTEST

The International Pet Owners Club is proud to announce that over \$10,000 in cash and prizes will

be awarded in the 2006 Spring Cutest Pet Photo Contest.

Pet owners from the Huntington County area are welcome to win their share of the prizes. The deadline for the contest is April 30th. The contest is open to everyone and entry is free.

"Every pet owner has at least one photo that shows just how cute their pet is," stated Rosa Bonheur, contest chairman. "When people learn about the contest, they get excited about the chance at winning and the potential for national attention," continued Bonheur.

To enter, send one photograph (full color or b/w) size 8" X 10" or smaller.

All photo entries must include the photographer's name and address on the back.

Photographs should be sent to: 2006 Spring Photo Contest c/o The International Pet Owners Club, P.O. Box 1748, Pittsburg, KS 66762.

Entries must be postmarked by April 30th, 2006. You may also submit your photo directly online at www.cutestpetcontest.com.

The International Pet Owners Club is an organization dedicated to bringing pet owners from around the world together for fun and fellowship. Membership in the club is not necessary to participate.

HOMEMAKER TRIP

Wells County Extension Homemakers are sponsoring a bus trip to Clarksville, IN and Louisville, KY area on June 27-28. They will be seeing "Steel Magnolias" at the Derby Dinner Playhouse, having a lunch cruise on the Ohio River aboard the Paddlewheel Boat "Spirit of Jefferson", visit the Falls of the Ohio State Park, tour Churchill Downs and visit the Kentucky Derby Museum. The trip is open to public. Call 260-824-8393 for more information or pick up a brochure at the Purdue Extension Service of Wells County in the Community Center at the 4-H Park. Deadline for reservations is May 20th.

SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

As of 3/5/06 Deb and Jay Shaw are no longer members and are no longer the contact people for renting the Warren Sportsman's Club. Please refer all rentals and questions to the offices of Greg and Eva Witkamp at 375-3635. If no one answers please leave your name and number and you will be contacted as soon as possible.

The cost for renting the Sportsman's Club is \$75.00 per day.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Jackson Township Euchre Club met at the home of Sharon Gebhart. Joan Huffman won High, Sharon Gebhart won Low and Mary Jo Zoda had the most Lones. Others enjoying the evening were Jane Lieurance, Rosemary Helm, Joyce Willman, Phyllis Dickey, Carolyn Carroll, Mary Ann Monce, Marjorie Michaud, Florence Taylor and Doris Tyler. Next month we will meet at the home of Carolyn Carroll.

LADIES MET

Church Women United of Huntington County met on Friday, March 03, 2006, at Roanoke Seminary United Methodist Church. The ladies of the Roanoke Seminary UMC were the hostesses who prepared a delightful continental breakfast.

The business meeting was led by President, Johanna Lange. The treasurer's report was given

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- A1c, \$20

A trained healthcare professional will be available to answer your questions. No appointment necessary.

For more information call Lisa Geiger at (260) 919-3859.

Special Mothers' Meeting

Every Wednesday
9:45 to 11:15 a.m.

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March 8

Children's Developmental Screenings
For more information about Mothers' Meetings, call Lynne Apple at (260) 919-3143.

Heartsaver First Aid Course

Wed., Mar. 8
5 - 8 p.m. South Campus
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\$45 per person

This class includes information on breathing emergencies and care for bleeding, injuries and sudden illnesses, as well as standard precautions.

For more information or to register call Melanie Shady at (260) 919-3806.

Cancer Awareness Day - Huntington

Thurs., Mar. 9
4:30-6:30 p.m.
Walgreen's - Huntington

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- Thyroid panel, \$15
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A trained healthcare professional will be available to answer your questions.

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Diabetic Share Group

Tues., Mar. 14
6 - 7 p.m.
Downtown Campus
4th floor conference rooms

Infrared Therapy and Diabetic Neuropathy
Sue Bulaw, Community Liaison for Meadowdale Health and Rehabilitation Center and one of their physical therapists will be presenting information about infrared therapy and diabetic neuropathy.

For additional information, call Sue Schwyn, patient educator, at (260) 919-3427.

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9 a.m. - Noon
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Fathers' Meeting

Thurs., Mar. 16
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David Shepherd, facilitator

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For more information call David Shepherd at (260) 824-8105.

HealthCheck - Portland

Sat., Mar. 18
10 a.m. - Noon
Portland Wal-Mart parking lot

- FREE lipid panel
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No appointment necessary. All events weather permitting. For more information call Lisa Geiger at (260) 919-3859.

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Thurs., Mar. 23 • 9 - 10 a.m.
Downtown Campus
Main Street Café

Lynne Apple, Certified Parenting Instructor, will present information on how to more effectively relate to and discipline grandchildren.

A hot breakfast will be provided. To register call Lisa Geiger at (260) 919-3859.

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Wed., Mar. 29
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GENEALOGY REPORT

BUTLER

David A. Butler, 50, died at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2006, at his residence in Warren.

Mr. Butler had worked at Pathfinders in Huntington. He was the official bell ringer of the United Church of Christ in Warren. He had attended the Village School in Huntington.

Born Sept. 9, 1955, in New Albany, he was a son of Thomas A. and Patricia A. Butler. His mother survives and resides in Warren.

He also is survived by a sister, Becky A. Butler of Warren.

Calling hours were held at United Church of Christ, Warren.

Services were held at the church with Pastor Charles Dye Jr. and Robert Priest officiating.

Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Warren.

Preferred memorials are to the United Church of Christ, Warren. Glancy Funeral Home, Warren, was in charge of the arrangements.

LEWIS

Betty V. Lewis, 86, of Warren died at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2006, at United Methodist Memorial Home, Warren.

Mrs. Lewis was a dietary supervisor at United Methodist Memorial Home. She also was a homemaker and farmer.

A resident of the Warren area most of her life, she attended Warren United Methodist Church. She has lived at the United Methodist Memorial Home since Jan. 2, 1995.

Born on March 24, 1919, in Hartford City to Bert and Minnie (Elliott) Thornburg, she was a 1937 graduate of Hartford City High School. Her marriage on Dec. 31, 1937, in Anderson was to Earl E. Lewis, who preceded her in death on Aug. 24, 1975.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Vera Connelly and Janella Thornburg; and a brother,

Von Thornburg.

Graveside services were held at Hartford City Cemetery with Rev. Edwin Clark officiating.

Preferred memorials are to the Ivy Tech Community College Scholarship Fund for Office Administration Students. Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, was in charge of the arrangements.

HERRING

A resident of Jackson Township, Clyde E. Herring, 87, died at 6:20 a.m. Monday, March 6, 2006 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Herring was a carpenter. He was a member of Local Union 615 and had retired in 1983. He attended Warren High School.

Born Aug. 11, 1918, in Wells County to Daniel E. and Rebecca Jane (Bricker) Herring, his marriage on Oct. 10, 1942 in Bluffton was to the former Ruth Booher, who survives.

Additional survivors are two sons, Bob Herring of Bluffton and Gary Herring of La Fontaine; two daughters, Mrs. Larry (Joyce) Luckey and Mrs. Don (Sherri) Carroll, both of rural Jackson Township; nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by seven brothers, Charles F., Homer L., Wilsie E., Norval M., Levi E., James J., and Kenneth E. Herring, and five sisters, Blanche L. Smith, Lulu M. Huffman, Nora E. Powell, Grace A. Cole and Mabel M. Moriarity.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren with Rev. Ron Herring officiating and burial in the Asbury Cemetery at Montpelier.

Preferred memorials are to Caylor-Nickel Home Health Care and Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana.



OPEN HOUSE PLANNED

Mr. and Mrs. Roger (Margaret) Detamore, Fort Wayne, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their children and grandchildren at Walt Disney World Resort. Now to celebrate with family and friends an open house will be held from 2 to 5 p.m., March 19th at Bethel United Methodist Church, 8405 Lima Road, Fort Wayne. The couple's children will host the event.

Roger C. Detamore and Margaret L. Sell were married March 18, 1956 at St. John's First United Church of Christ, Bippus.

Mr. Detamore was the Greens Superintendent at Hart's Golf Course, Marion, for 24 years and is now semi-retired from Deer Track Golf Course, Auburn.

Mrs. Detamore worked for Rea, Logan & Co., Marion and is now retired from BKD, LLP. Fort Wayne.

The couple are members of Bethel United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne and former members of Jefferson Center United Methodist Church, Warren.

The couple has four children: Sons, Jeff (Judy) Detamore, Fort Wayne, and the late John Detamore. Daughters: Kathy (Tim) Brodbeck, St. Louis, and Jayne (Tom) Barnes, Marion. They also have 7 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

We ask that gifts be omitted.

ANNIVERSARY THANK YOU

We want to thank you for all the ones that came to our Open House, and for all the cards we received during our 50th anniversary and for the gifts too. We also want to thank our family for all they did, for the decorations that were on the table at the open house. For all the work that Pam & Kenny Brown, Don and Sue Minnich, and Dan Minnich, also Gretchen Brown and Jessica Foss, we really did appreciate all they did. God Bless all of you.

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by Joann Dolby. It was announced that the 77th Annual State Assembly for Church Women United in Indiana would be held at Gas City, Indiana on Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22. The keynote speaker will be Gail Mengel, Church Women United National President. Papers were distributed noting what Kids Kit supplies are still needed. Roll call was given by Linda Hollenbaugh. Churches that were represented in attendance were: Loon Creek Church of the Brethren, St. Joseph Catholic Church, St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Victory Noll Sisters, Buckeye Christian Church, Bethel Huntington County United Methodist Church, Bethel Wabash County United Methodist Church, Jefferson Center United Methodist Church, Pleasant Chapel United Methodist Church, Trinity United Methodist Church, and Roanoke Seminary United Methodist Church. Roanoke Seminary had the most women present but since they were the hostesses, the CWU banner went to the next high attendance by the St. Joseph Catholic Church. There were a total of 38 women attending the celebration. Dues were payable and an offering was received to enable the ongoing work of the World Day of Prayer USA and International Committees.

The worship service was led by the women of the St. Joseph Catholic Church. The program was Signs of the Times which was the World Day of Prayer celebration. Those who presented the program were Jean Feeman, Betty Byall, Valerie Frantz, Jeanette Nine, Lu Knot, Ginny Bauer, Marjorie Przeracki, and Charlotte Smart. Johanna Lange led the ladies in singing accompanied by Myrna Neff. The service was written by women

from South Africa. They invite us to become better informed about their country and its needs. They share their rich heritage of faith with us even in a time when about 600 South Africans are dying of AIDS each day.

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together the first Friday of March to observe a common day of prayer each year. Women of various races, cultures and traditions gather in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year. Through World Day of Prayer, women affirm their faith in Jesus Christ and become aware of the whole world; are enriched by the faith experience of Christians of other countries and cultures; and share the burdens of other people and pray with and for them.

RUN FOR THE RAMS

Huntington Catholic School presents its seventh annual gala fund-raiser, Run for the Rams, on Saturday, May 13, at the North Star Civic Center.

The evening begins with cocktails and progresses to dinner, ending with silent and traditional auctions and entertainment. Items featured at auction range from handmade projects created by each of the school's classes to goods and services donated by area businesses. A special auction showcases gifts from the priests and sisters associated with the school.

Guests can preview auction items during the social hour beginning at 5 p.m. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. Tickets are now available at \$55 per person. Groups can reserve a table of 10 for \$550, guaranteeing that the group will be seated together at one table. To reserve tickets, call Huntington Catholic School at 260-356-1926.

All proceeds will supplement the operating budget of Huntington Catholic School, a state-accredited school dedicated to providing a quality Catholic education to students in preschool through eighth grade.

JUNIOR LEADERS TO MEET

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet on Thursday, March 9, 7:00-8:30 pm at Heritage Hall, Hier's Park. The youth will be involved in committee work to plan for spring and summer 4-H activities and preparing for their Food Stand held in conjunction with the Huntington County Beef Preview Show

on Saturday, April 1. Youth are asked to bring their favorite board or card game for recreation time during this meeting.

The Junior Leader organization is open to any 4-H member in grade 7 or older. For more information, contact Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office at 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202 at phone 260-358-4826 or email laldrig@purdue.edu.

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FAIR BOARD TO MEET

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Association will meet in a special Long Range Planning Session on Monday, March 13 from 6:30-9:30 pm in the Courthouse Annex, 1st floor meeting area. Board members will continue their discussions regarding future growth of 4-H facilities and programs.

The Fair Board will meet for its regularly scheduled March meeting on Tuesday, March 21, 7:00 pm in Heritage Hall, Hier's Park. The board will continue plans towards the 76th annual Huntington County 4-H Fair, July 14-27, 2006.

LEADERSHIP GRADUATION

Nineteen members of the Huntington County Youth Leadership Academy Class of '06 will be sharing about their leadership experiences during graduation ceremonies on Sunday, March 12, 1:30 pm at Central Christian Church, 500 MacGahan Street, Huntington. Over the past six months, the youth participated in a weekend retreat and six half day sessions to gain a variety of skills in building trust and teamwork, personality styles, communicating, making decisions, interviewing and time management. Class sessions were held at various community sites and class members visited with a number of community leaders during this leadership program.

As a part of the graduation program, class members will present short speeches about their experiences and what they learned through the Youth Leadership Academy. Class members will also share summaries of four community outreach projects they selected and are planning to conduct in the next few weeks.

The following class members will be participating in the graduation ceremonies: Nathan Albertson, Katy Bradford, Jonathan Dyar, Kayla Felton, Leanne Gehrke, Elizabeth Goebbert, Asha Goings, Stephanie Gray, Samantha Green, Mitchell Hardy, Sarah Kinningham, Tyler Mower, Nathan Mundy, Amanda Olinger, Joe Pinkerton, Allison Reed, Nate Schmalzried, Nicole Shaw, Allison Spenner.

The Huntington County Youth

Leadership Academy Class of '06 is funded through Ecolab of Huntington and Huntington Optimist Club. Class sessions were hosted by Huntington County Jail and Courthouse, Huntington City Hall, Huntington City Police & Fire Departments, Parkview Huntington Hospital, Youth Services Bureau, Bendix Corporation, Huntington University, North Star Civic Center, Warup Farms, Hill Dairy Farm, Warren United Methodist Memorial Home and Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office. Additional program support was provided by Huntington County Community Schools and 30 community leaders throughout the various leadership sessions.

The Youth Leadership Academy was developed out of a desire of Huntington County Leadership, Inc. to expand its educational efforts to empower youth to become creative and positive influences in the community and is in its fourth year of programming for high school youth. The Huntington County Youth Leadership Academy Graduation program is open to the public.

AWARDS GRANTS FOR AEDs

Twelve Huntington City Police Department vehicles soon will be equipped with Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs), portable life-saving devices that officers will be trained to use should they be called to a scene and need to respond to a victim suffering from cardiac arrest.

At a ceremony held Feb. 24 in the Huntington County Courthouse rotunda, the Huntington Police Department and Huntington County Commissioners both acknowledged receiving funds to purchase the defibrillators, which were acquired through a grant applied for from Parkview Huntington Hospital's Community Health Improvement Program.

The courthouse applied for and was granted the funds to purchase one defibrillator, which will be kept on the second floor. Several courthouse employees will be trained to use the AED. The City will also distribute three defibrillators to the Fire Department and one will be placed on the second floor of the City Building. In April, the Huntington Chap-

ter of the American Red Cross will provide CPR and AED training to all city employees. All firefighters are currently CPR and AED certified, as are 15 percent of city union employees.

A total of \$36,000 was awarded to seven nonprofit organizations in the fourth quarter of 2005 for the purchase of the AEDs. In addition to the city and county courthouse, other organizations receiving grant money to purchase defibrillators were Warren's First Baptist Church, the Roanoke Police Department, the Markle Fire Department, the Mt. Etna Fire Department and the Huntington County YMCA.

AEDs are used to shock the heart to restore a normal heartbeat after a life-threatening irregular rhythm, and are the first line of treatment in adults, according to the American Heart Association. What has been shown in adults is that the earlier they receive a shock, the greater the chances of survival.

"Anything we can do protect and help keep the public safe is good for Huntington, and I'm grateful to the hospital for making it possible for us to provide these AEDs," said Terry Stoffel, Huntington Chief of Police.

Mayor Terry Abbett also expressed gratitude for the defibrillators.

"The AEDs are tremendous life-saving tools that have been successfully used by our fire department on a number of occasions in the past. The defibrillators will be placed in police cars, as well as in city-owned buildings, for use by the public and city employees. I am pleased with the positive collaboration that we have with Parkview Huntington, and this is a great example of people working together to provide a valuable service to the citizens of Huntington."

County Commissioner Jerry Helvie, speaking on behalf of

courthouse employees, said, "We are grateful that we can partner with Parkview Huntington. The AED in the courthouse will be a great asset for us, and it will be located centrally in case there is a cardiac emergency. We thank Parkview Huntington for making this possible."

"Cardiovascular disease is the main cause of death in the United States, resulting in nearly 1 million deaths each year. Approximately 50 percent of these deaths are sudden and unexpected and occur outside the hospital setting," said Darlene Garrett, COO of Parkview Huntington Hospital. "Studies show that automated external defibrillators are efficient devices for delivering defibrillation to persons experiencing cardiac arrest. Their use by traditional and nontraditional first responders has proven safe and effective, and we at Parkview Huntington know full well how valuable it is to our communities for us to collaborate with the city and county to provide these life-saving tools."

"In addition to providing

healthcare-related grants to area not-for-profit agencies, the Community Health Improvement Program is constantly on the lookout for opportunities to initiate gifts that will positively impact the community's health. This initiative is the result of that proactive approach," said Greg Schnepf, Parkview Huntington Hospital Community Benefit committee member.

In 2003, \$65,145 was awarded for the purchase and distribution of AEDs in various nonprofit organizations in the county, and in 2004 and additional \$32,268 was awarded, for a total of \$97,413. The current grant of \$36,000 brings the total to \$133,413.

Bread of Life
Food Pantry Hours
Wednesday 4-5:30 p.m.
Saturday 10 to 11:30
at Knight Civic Center
OR
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375-2381

WARREN BASEBALL LEAGUE SIGN-UP Boys & Girls Baseball & Softball

Warren Baseball is about to kick-off another great year! Every boy and girl, **ages 5 thru 17 on June 1st** will have the chance to play in every game.

Leagues include T-Ball (5 & 6 yr old boys and girls), Coach's Pitch (7 & 8 yr old boys and girls), Junior Girls Softball (ages 9 - 12), Senior Girls Softball (ages 13 - 17), Boys Little League (ages 9 - 12), and Boys Pony League (ages 13 - 17).

* Note: Only 13-16 yr. old boys will pitch in Pony League
A fee of \$10.00 per player will be assessed for T-Ball and Coach's Pitch. We will also have a sales program to help defray the costs of running the league.

LITTLE LEAGUE, JUNIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL, SENIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL, AND PONY LEAGUE WILL PAY \$20.00 AND NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE SALES PROGRAM!

NOTE: If you play Huntington County Baseball you are NOT eligible to play for Warren Baseball League. You may send in your entry and if your child makes the team in HCB you will receive a refund by calling 375-4643.

PAYMENT MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THIS FORM!

Mail form and make payment to:

Warren Baseball League

P O Box 719

Warren, IN 46792

Make checks payable to: Warren Baseball League

Warren Baseball reserves the right to refuse entry to any player.

Clip & Mail With Payment by March 29, 2006

Name _____ Circle: Boy or Girl

Parent Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone (or how to be reached) _____

Birthdate _____ Age on June 1st _____

Team Last Year _____

Shirt Size, Circle: CHILD S (6-8) M (10-12) L (14-16)
or ADULT S M L XL XXL

List brother or sister you wish on same team

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