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Thought for the Week: Talent hits a target no one else can hit; Genius hits a target no one else can see. Arthur Schopenhauer

THE SHAKESPEARE STEALER

Opens at the Pulse March 6

Action! Adventure! Comedy! Mystery! Adapted by Gary Blackwood from his acclaimed children's novel, The Shakespeare Stealer has it all....and sword fights!

The year is 1601 and William Shakespeare has just written The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark. A fourteen year old orphan, Widge, is apprenticed to Dr. Simon Bright who teaches him a rare form of shorthand called charactery. Widge uses his gift for words to steal sermons for Dr. Bright.

A world of adventure opens up for the young apprentice when a mysterious black caped stranger arrives. He purchases Widge to steal the script of Hamlet from Shakespeare for a rival theatrical company. Widge is transported to Shakespeare's theatre where he learns lines, sword play, stagecraft and theatrical traditions of the Elizabethan theatre.

Full of action and a touch of mystery, this play is the perfect introduction to Shakespeare.

Recommended for the entire family.

The Warren Public Library is partnering with the Pulse for The Shakespeare Stealer. They are working on a youth book club, a meeting with the cast to discuss the book and attending one of the March shows as a group. After the show, the cast will give a talk-back, answering

questions and offering observations on the story and what it is like performing in a theatre. Younger readers interested in attending any or all of these events, please contact the library.

Performances are scheduled for March 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22.. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$5 for children 12 and under.

Friday and Saturday shows are at 8:00 p.m. Sunday shows are at 4:00 p.m.

Reservations may be made online at www.pulseoperahouse.org or by leaving a message at 260-375-7017.

TOWN UPDATES

Thank you to all who received the income surveys and responded so quickly. The process has been completed with only two mailings. It had been anticipated that at least four would be needed. The Town has been notified that the survey results show

qualifications have been met to apply for a grant through the Office of Regional and Community Affairs to be used toward the Water Tower and System Upgrade which has been in the planning stage for some time. The next step in the process is to hold a public hearing which has been scheduled for March 16th at 6:00 p.m. in the Annex. The Engineer and Grant Writer will be present to discuss the project and the grant process. It is

imperative that we have attendance at the Public Hearing as citizen participation is counted toward meeting additional grant application requirements.

CENSUS 2020 !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Just to remind all that this is the year for Census and the process is underway.

Mailings with an invitation to respond are scheduled to be sent from March 12-20. Some of you may receive paper forms but others will be asked to respond to a simple form at 2020census.gov or by mail.

This process is so very important to the Town and local units of government as many, in fact most, of the Federal, State, and County Distributions are determined by population. As always, Warren residents may have a difficult time in receiving notices as distribution is made by address not P.O. Box. If you have not been contacted by the end of April, please take steps to be included. Please call for assistance at the Clerk-Treasurer's office anytime. 260-375-2656

Winter must be over as it's time to reset clocks on March 8th and it's Spring forward time. Also time to change batteries in protective devices such as fire and smoke detectors.

INDOT is scheduled to reconstruct SR 5 through the Town as well as a portion of SR 218 E. The project is to be

completed by the Salamonie Summer Festival so it will begin in early Spring. Please be aware and plan for the inevitable impact on traffic through Town. There will be signs placed by INDOT prior to the start of the project.

GET WALKIN

Are you ready to get moving, improve your health and enjoy life more? Get WalkIN' is a free e-mail based walking program being offered through Purdue Extension in Wells County that will begin on March 16, 2020 and run for 8 weeks. Participants can sign-up, walk on their own and receive e-mailed support and information. It is designed to encourage individuals to learn more about the health benefits of walking and encourage individuals to get moving.

Walking is a popular form of physical activity—and good for your health! Only half of all American adults get the recommended amount of physical activity. Lack of physical activity is directly related to the occurrence of adult obesity and overweight. Regular physical activity can lower risk of heart disease, high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes, osteoporosis, depression, and falls in older adults. Walking is an excellent way for most people to increase their physical activity. It is an easy way to start and maintain a physically active lifestyle.

Walking is accessible to almost anyone, doesn't require specific skills or abilities to perform, can be performed alone or with others, and is adaptable (i.e., can be performed at any chosen intensity, and is inexpensive). Walking can serve many purposes. It can be a way to exercise, have fun, or get to school, work, or other nearby destinations. Importantly, making walking easier can help communities by improving safety, social cohesion, and local economies and reducing air pollution.

Do you know that you need to get more active but lack the initiative to get started?

Do you make excuses like "I do not have time, I don't want to walk alone, or where would I walk?" Have you started to walk and lost interest or motivation? Get WalkIN' is just for you! You will receive e-mails that provide encouragement, motivation, provide information about health and wellness, and more! Participants will be asked to complete two short online surveys. For more details, and to sign up for the program, contact the Wells County Extension Office at 824-6412. Before you know it, you will be walking, feeling better, having more energy, and a new healthy habit!

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Kudos, Kicks & Karats



It's been quite the week around here. I was down sick for two days and now I'm behind on everything. Thank God for weekends off I can usually catch up quick. But I do feel better. I still am blessed with kidney problems occasionally but as far as the kidney itself, the doctor seems to think they are still operating good but they are pretty beat up.

Back when I was young, I was a tiny little thing due to the kidney problem. When J.B. Bennett found my problem, he sent me to a specialist in Marion. At age 6, I went in for a reconstruction surgery but in order for me to have surgery I had to weigh 26 lbs. (told you I was tiny!). So we put on the weight and I went in for surgery. Dr. Brandis replaced both tubes going from my kidneys to my bladder. I had considerable damage to both kidneys but he seemed to think that everything will be o.k. Years later when I was pregnant with Kendra, I struggled constantly for the whole nine months, which is why we have one child. Did we want more kids, yes, a whole house full but we will take what was given to us.

We do have a new member of the household though. I'm going to introduce you to Eleanore. She has been quite stubborn here lately and is getting quite expensive too. We have had her since last summer and so far we get along pretty good. But she has had lots of surprises for us we didn't want but in the end I think she will make a pretty good Jeep.

So here we are building another Jeep up, only my granddaughter Kylynn has a lot to say in this one. Papaw (John) said that Eleanore was going to be her Jeep when she gets her license, now mind you Kylynn is only 10. But until she can drive Papaw gets to drive it. I never dreamed my "all girl" granddaughter would really get in to building this Jeep. We asked her what color she wanted to paint it and yes she said PINK. lol Well, Papaw changed her mind real quick and settled for purple. So as time goes on we will see what color Eleanore will have.

We took Kylynn to her first Jamboree last September so she could see what it was all about. She had the lights picked out and just about anything else to dress Eleanore up. We are hoping Eleanore will be ready for Topless Day in May. Only time will tell.

I am really ready for some spring like weather. I think we all would agree with that. We spring forward in March, so don't forget to reset your clocks. I really see why they spring forward so we can get more daylight hours in the summer which is nice, but in the winter it's so dark some days at 4 or 5:00 in the evening, which I don't like. So until then, enjoy the last days of the winter months because you never know tomorrow might be 90 degrees and hot. Yep, good ole Indiana, but I wouldn't change it for anything. Have a great week.

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ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
 8013W 1100S -90, Montpelier
 Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship .. 6:30 p.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Harold Smith, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study 6:00p.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Chad Yoder, Pastor
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp
 Handicap Accessible
 Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099

HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —
5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA
 Pastor Wayne Couch
 260/515-2517
 Sunday Prayer 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Daycare provided during Worship

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor
 Worship Service 9:00a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor
 1st Worship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

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

HERITAGE POINTE
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz & Dick Case
 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Monday thru Friday
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
 727 N Wayne St, Warren
 260-375-2811
 office@warrenfirsbaptist.net
 Pator Rusty Strickler
 Youth Dir: Peter & Mindy Fairchild
 Sunday School9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship10:00 a.m.
 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ..Sun 11:30
 Ekklesia Sun 6:30pm

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
 Bus Service 375-2510
www.hillcrestnazchurch.org
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST
 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN
 375-3873
 Paul Burris, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington
 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor
 Pam Thompson, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday:
 CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:00a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Tues. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Wed. Choir 6:30p.m.
 Monthly Meetings
 1st Mon Ministry Team 7:00 p.m.
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am
 4th Mon ABW 1:30 pm

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Pastor Diane Samuels
 Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

THE CHURCH AT MCNATT
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Youth 4-6 p.m.
 Everyone is Welcome

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
 468-2412
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
 Worship9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2102
 Pastor Scott Nedberg
 Youth Pastor Troy & Mindy Drayer
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Sunday School all ages 10:45 a.m.
 Youth Group-Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 765/934-3321 Parsonage
 Jeff Slater, Pastor
 Jim Knight, Superintendent
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:30a.m.
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 765-934-1431
 Pastor Cindy Osgood
 Worship Service 9:30 am
 Sunday School 10:30am
 Not Home Alone - Wed 3:00 pm
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:00 pm
 UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 pm
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am
 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue 12:00 pm
www.vanburenumc.org

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-3022
 Ethan T Stivers, Senior Minister
 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister
 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.
 Tara Bower - Secretary
www.warrenchurchofchrist.org
 Fellowship9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School11 to 11:50 a.m.
 Youth:
 K-6th grade, Mon 6:15-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm

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

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



Please Attend The Church of Your Choice

AREA NEWS

CONSUMER ED DAY

Purdue Extension in Grant County, in cooperation with Grant County Extension Homemakers, will offer three educational sessions during a "Consumer Education Day" at the Grant County Fairgrounds on March 5, 2020. Following the three educational sessions we will be hosting two special guests from the Connections IN Health team.

At 9:30 a.m. there will be a session on "Tips for Preventing Dementia" - In this lesson, we will explore prevalence, risk factors, tips for prevention, home safety, dementia friendly communities, and resources.

At 10:30 a.m., "Funky Foods" - Interested in learning about new funky foods and how to use them? Join us to learn more about these foods, their origin, and how to use them at home.

At 11:30 a.m., "How to Avoid Scams" - People all around the world are affected by scams every single day. This program will cover some common types of scams, provide you with proactive steps you can take to protect yourself and your information, and show you where you can go to report scams or frauds that have taken place.

Connections IN Health Team Members, Karen Hinshaw & Antonia Sawyer, will join in the day following the educational lessons to gain insight from the group regarding community involvement and interest in collaborating on future goals

addressing chronic disease specifically related to diabetes, cardiovascular disease, stroke, obesity, asthma and lung cancer. Please join us to share your involvement with successful projects and hopes for the future of Grant County.

All sessions are free and open to the public. No pre-registration is required. For more information, call Purdue Extension at 765-651-2413 or contact Danielle Vorhees at dvorhees@purdue.edu.

AN INVITATION

Please join us March 25, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at Crestview Middle School, for "How Funding Affects Economic Development" presented by Larry DeBoer, Professor of Agricultural Economics at Purdue University.

Prof. DeBoer studies state and local government, public policy, including such topics as government budget and taxing options, property tax assessment, local government revenue options, and the fiscal impact of economic development.

YOUTH BOOKCLUB

The Warren Public Library and the Pulse Opera House are joining together! We are having a bookclub for "The Shakespeare Stealer" in time for the Pulse's live performance. Any youth in the Warren area who want to join and have some behind the scenes opportunities at the Pulse Opera House, please contact the library. We will help you obtain a

copy of the book and keep you updated on events coming in March.

Forthcoming activities with the Pulse performances in March include:

-Discussing the book WITH members of the play's cast.

-A to-be-determined play attendance date in late March, with an after-play cast talkback.

-For those that finish the book, a free ticket to attend "The Shakespeare Stealer."

-A POTENTIAL opportunity to have a short fencing lesson from the instructor who is teaching the cast their sword fighting choreography.

PRESIDENT'S LIST

The University of Hartford is pleased to announce that Sophia Smekens of Warren has been named to its President's List, signified by a 3.75 GPA or higher, for Fall 2019.

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BUZZARD PRESENTS AT APTA

Reflecting growth in both the number and quality of students in its Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program, Trine University took ten third-year students to present research at the annual Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), with one group earning a national honor.

The event, held Feb. 12-15 in Denver, Colorado, brings together more than 18,000 attendees from more than 30 countries.

Trine students Cameron Buzzard of Warren, Indiana, Shawna Carbone of Wolcottville, Indiana, Madison Cook of Kendallville, Indiana, and Lindsey Welsh of Eaton, Indiana, gave a

poster presentation on "The Potential Utility of a Wearable Sensor for Injury Risk Screening in Female Athletes." The study examined the relationship between impact accelerations recorded via a wearable sensor and vertical ground reactions forces measured via force plates. The goal was to determine the potential for indirect assessment of landing forces for the purpose of risk screening in athletes.

A NYC TRIP DAY #4

By Larry Ryan
As I did most mornings, breakfast was purchased at Danny's Deli. The usual selection was a prepared McDonald's-like breakfast sandwich plus orange juice which was taken back to the Edison Hotel room.

Our morning was dedicated to free time. An outdoor, nearby, corner restaurant was our lunch setting. Our server said that he drives from Brooklyn every day to the job. He had a secret parking space. Really!

After lunch our group walked to the nearby Marquis Theatre. This venue was located within the Marriott Hotel where we were seated for the stage play, "On Your Feet." It chronicled the life and history of Gloria Estefan. Afterwards, our group had an associated workshop. Half learned some dance steps while my group tried to learn the express wording of several stanzas from "On Your Feet." Although I had

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Community Calendar

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

Mar 4	Noon	W - Chamber Luncheon at KBC
Mar 4	7 pm	V - Town Council Meeting
Mar 8	2 am	TIME CHANGE
Mar 9	5pm	W - Council Meeting
Mar 10	6:30p	W - SSF Committee Meeting at KBC
Mar 16	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting at KBC
Mar 17		ST PATRICK'S DAY
Mar 18	7 pm	V - Town Council Meeting

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; **Cancer Support Group** - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus
These Events Can Also Be Found at www.warrenweeklyindiana.com



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some limited experience with dance steps in two stage plays in my earlier years, I chose vocal lyrics instead. The fast-paced phrases and short practice time did not escalate into anything noteworthy!

After this exercise, we circumvented a closed, restaurant section in the hotel and made our way to windows that overlooked Times Square. This uncharted territory allowed us an excellent view for people watching.

The planned dinner this evening was just south of the Edison Hotel at "Juniors" on West 46th Street. From there our group walked to the St. James Theatre on West 44th Street for a production of "Something Rotten."

We learned that the terms "On Broadway" theatres house 500 or more seats while "Off Broadway" theatres have less seating. Well, that explains the ticket price disparity!

More tomorrow.

PUT NATURE TO WORK FIGHTING YOUR STRESS

from the American Counseling Association. Yes, we live in a pretty stressful world these days. Whether it's international events, job pressures, or personal problems, most of us are touched by plenty of stress-producing situations every day.

Though we may not be aware of the ways stress is affecting us, it can actually harm us. Experts report that stressful environments can be a direct cause of anxiety and depression in our lives. Studies have found that excessive stress may be at least partly responsible for headaches, drinking problems and a variety of serious health issues.

So how can you better manage the stress in your life? While it may not be possible in today's hectic world to live a stress-free existence, there ways you can minimize the stress you may be feeling and to escape

from it for at least a little bit. Researchers report that even small escapes from stress can offer real benefits.

Distractions are one way to reduce stress. Studies have found that adding a little nature to your life can be quite stress-reducing. Researchers say that people working in an office with no windows or just a view of a blank wall reported that the work environment became more pleasant and less stressful when they were able to look out and see trees and sky. Something as simple as adding a potted plant or two to the area where you spent most of your day can also play a part in giving you a positive distraction that can reduce stress.

Even better is just to escape from your normal environment, if only for a short time. And by "escape" we mean nothing more than taking a walk. You can stop

thinking about stressful things with just a short lunch time stroll through a nearby park or down a tree-lined street. Time with nature is an opportunity to not focus on the things contributing to a hectic, stressful life. You can listen to the quiet of nature, admire some budding flowers, or just smile at the squirrels scampering about -- all things to take the focus off what is stressing you.

A little time outdoors is an opportunity to enjoy the natural beauty around you and take a breather from the problems disturbing you. A short walk won't remove all the stress in your life, but it can give your mind a chance to relax and refocus, and that's a positive thing.

"Counseling Corner" is provided by the American Counseling Association. Comments and questions to ACAcorner@counseling.org or visit the ACA website at www.counseling.org.

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

The WBSL is about to kick-off another exciting season! Every child aged 7-17 on June 1st will have the chance to play in every game.

2017 Leagues: Little League Boys: American 7-10 yrs & National 11-13 yrs Pony League Boys: 14-17 yrs

Junior Girls Softball 7-12 yrs & Senior Girls Softball 13-17 yrs.

An entry fee of \$30.00 will be charged for all leagues and there will be no fundraising!

Mail Check/Money Order to: Warren Baseball & Softball, PO Box 719, Warren IN 46792 (You may write 1 check for all kids but must have individual sign-up slips.)

Deadline: March 29th / All entries received after that will be put on a wait list and may or may not be able to play this season. Kids can play in any other league as long as they do not play on the same nights!

The WBSL reserves the right to refuse entry to any player!

Child's Name _____ Circle: Boy / Girl

Address _____ Phone: _____

Birthdate _____ Age on June 1 _____

Team Last Year _____ Parents _____

Brother/Sister Same Team _____

Shirt Size: Child: Small (6-8) Medium (10-12) Large (14-16)

Adult: Small Medium Large 1X 2X

Please Sign Below for Permission to put pics of your child on WBSL Facebook site (Only 1st names, if any, will be used)

Parents Signature: _____

Search Facebook: Warren Baseball/Softball
(Up to the minute Rain-Out Info, Schedules, Rules, Pics, announcements)

Or E-Mail: wbleague@citznet.com

RELIEVE YOUR STRESS... WITH ALPACAS!

Ft. Wayne, Ind. - The Alpaca Owners Association (AOA) is offering a FREE hour-long yoga class with a group of alpacas at the AOA National Alpaca Show sponsored by Fun in the Country Alpacas. The class will take place at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum on Saturday, March 14 at Noon.

Yoga instructor Christa Smith from Simply Yoga Fort Wayne will lead the class which is open to participants of all ages and yoga levels. Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

A yogi for 12 years, Christa is the founder of Simply Yoga Fort Wayne. Her teaching style

focuses on alignment and making sure people are safe. Christa's teaching style focuses on Vinyasa, incorporating breath and movement with flowing sequences.

"This will be such a fun event," said Christa. "Yoga with animals has trendy aspects to it but I love when it is used as a tool. Not only will guests have a great yoga class, they will also learn more about alpacas!"

The Alpaca Yoga class is free and open to the first 50 participants to register. To reserve a spot, visit www.alpacanationals.com. Be sure to bring a mat, water and hand towel.

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BOXELL

Winifred "Fritz" Boxell, 96, of Warren, IN, passed away at 1:20 AM on Sunday, February 23, 2020 at Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN.



She was born on Friday, October 26, 1923, in Quay, OK. She married Lester Boxell on Tuesday, December 24, 1940 in KY. Winifred "Fritz" attended the Jackson Center High School. She was a homemaker.

She will be sadly missed by her Daughter - Pamela (husband, Dan) Spahr, Beth Page, TN, Son - Kelly (wife, Cecelia) Boxell, Cloverdale, IN, Daughter-in-law - Susan Boxell, Ft. Wayne, IN, 8 Grandchildren, and 10 Great Grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her Father - Fred Palmer, Mother - Ethel (Fleshute) Palmer, Husband - Lester Boxell, Son - Lyle Boxell, Sisters - Alpha Summerville, & Billie Smith, Brother - Leslie Halteman, and Daughter - Sharon Lee Boxell. There will not be any calling or services.

Preferred memorials: Riley Childrens Foundation 30 South Meridan St. Suite 200 Indianapolis IN 46204.

Arrangements are being handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in Warren.

FUSSELMAN

Jerry E. Fusselman, 77, of Bluffton, IN, and having ties to Huntington, IN, died Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2020, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Fusselman worked at International Harvester/Navistar in Fort Wayne and Indianapolis for 37 years, retiring on Oct. 1, 2000. He also worked for Grace Insulation and Remodeling in Greenfield for nearly 20 years. He was a member of Warren Church of Christ and sang in church choirs for many years as well as did church maintenance for several years.

He was born Dec. 26, 1942 in Huntington County to Harold and Helen Smith Fusselman. He married Shirley Stults on Oct. 13, 1962, at the Markle Church of Christ, and she survives.

Additional survivors include a son, Marty Fusselman, of Bluffton; two daughters, Cheri (Barry) Young, of Bluffton, and Amy (Michael Sr.) Hoerger, of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Charlotte Longo, of Bluffton, and Betty (Charlie) Bennett, of Liberty Center; 14 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Calling is Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Myers Funeral Home Markle Chapel, 415 N. Lee St., Markle. A funeral service will be held Monday, Feb. 24, 2020, at 10 a.m., with one hour of visitation prior to the service, at the Myers Funeral Home Markle Chapel. Interment will take place at Covington Memorial Gardens in Fort Wayne.

Memorials are to Warren Church of Christ or Ben Renkenberger through Big Fish Ministries in care of Myers Funeral Home, PO Box 403, Markle, IN 46770.

SPARKS

Maribelle L. Sparks, 94, of Markle, IN, and formerly of Huntington, IN, died Monday, Feb. 10, 2020, at Markle Health & Rehabilitation.

Mrs. Sparks attended West Rock Creek High School. She had worked as an assembly operator at Wabash Magnetics for 23 years, retiring in 1988.

She was born Dec. 9, 1925, in Huntington County to LeRoy J. and Hattie E. Broyles Lahr. She married Vern E. Sparks on Dec. 6, 1946, in Van Buren, and he preceded her in death on Aug. 14, 1992.

Survivors include two sons, Max E. (Doris) Sparks and James L. (Vicki) Sparks, both of Huntington; a daughter, Linda E. (John) Allen, of Warren; four sisters, Delphia (Don) Marshall of Markle, and Roseleen (Carl) Christen, Melba Kay (Don) Bolding and Crystal Tester, all of Huntington; five

grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Danny J. Sparks, and a grandson, Jeremy Sparks.

Calling is Friday, Feb. 14, 2020, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Myers Funeral Home Markle Chapel, 415 N. Lee St., Markle. A funeral service will be held Saturday, Feb. 15, 2020, at 10 a.m., with one hour of visitation prior to the service at the funeral home. Interment will be at the Star of Hope Cemetery in Huntington County.

Memorials are to Markle Health & Rehabilitation, in care of Myers Funeral Home, PO Box 403, Markle, IN 46770.

ZEISSIG

Steven Max Zeissig, 70, of Huntington, IN, died Friday, Feb. 21, 2020, at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Zeissig graduated from Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran High School in 1967. He worked as a tool and die maker at Hower Tool in Ossian, which later became Akron Equipment, and is now Haven Manufacturing, for 52 years. He attended Zion United Methodist Church.

He was born Aug. 3, 1949, in Fort Wayne, to Werner O. and Doris E. Stuckey Zeissig. He married Kathleen Foust on Oct. 2, 1971, at Zion Church in Huntington, and she survives.

Surviving are three daughters, Carrie Shipbaugh, of Huntington, and Lorrie (Michael Jojola) Zeissig and Tracie (Justin) Saunders, both of Andrews; a son, Matthew Zeissig, of Huntington; three brothers, Tom (Marcy) Zeissig, of Fort Wayne; Gary Zeissig, of Markle; and Jon (Cindy) Zeissig, of Georgetown, KY; a sister, Sue (Dennis) Oberlie, of Lander, WY; and nine grandchildren, Rylie Shipbaugh, Ryan Shipbaugh, Freeman LaCroix III, MacKenzie LaCroix, Hunter Saunders, Taryn Jojola, Kayla Rosen, Kylee Jojola and Waylon Rosen.

He was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Kevin Shipbaugh.

Calling is Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2020, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Drive, Huntington, IN. A funeral service will be held Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020, at 10 a.m. at the mortuary, with Rev. Zen Hess officiating. There will be one hour of

visitation prior to the service. Burial will be in Zion Cemetery in Huntington County.

Memorials are to Kathleen Zeissig, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

SWAIN

Paul E. Swain, 71, of Roanoke, IN, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020, at Markle Health & Rehabilitation, Markle.

Mr. Swain was a 1967 graduate of Huntington High School. He was the superintendent of utilities for the Town of Roanoke for 38 years.

He was born Nov. 2, 1948, in Huntington to William O. and Edna Wall Swain. He married Vickie Baumgardner on Dec. 6, 1986, and she survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, Joshua W. Swain, of Huntington, and Joseph A. Swain, of Columbus, OH; two daughters, Nanette Hardcastle, of Albion, and Jennell (Tom) O'Hare, of Fort Wayne; a stepson, Tyson (Jill) Biehl, of Huntington; a stepdaughter, Tonya Ptak, of Huntington; three sisters, Tonya (Gary) Buzzard, of

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Warren; Trudy Swain, of Denver, CO; and Cindy (Bob) Dillahay, of Fishers; a stepsister, Cindy Carter, of Indianapolis; 13 grandchildren, Brett Swain, Michael O'Hare, Daniel O'Hare, Thomas O'Hare, Will Swain, Livia Swain, Lee Hardcastle, Madison Ptak, Mason Ptak, Caydnce Biehl and Jaedyn Biehl; and one great-grandchild.

Calling is Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at McElhaney-Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson St., Huntington. Additional calling hours will be held Friday, Feb. 28, 2020, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., followed immediately after by the funeral service at 11 a.m. at the funeral home, with Rev. Kurt Snyder officiating. Burial will be at Glenwood Cemetery, Roanoke.

Memorials are to Huntington County Humane Shelter, Cancer Services of Huntington County or Save Our Youth in Denver, CO, in care of McElhaney-Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson St., Huntington, IN 46750.

BRANE

Paul Harold Brane, 85, of rural LaFontaine, Indiana, died at 1:00 pm, Saturday, February 15, 2020 at his home.

He was born May 29, 1934 in Wabash County, Indiana to Russell and Susanna (Thompson) Brane.

Paul was a 1952 graduate of LaFontaine High School, and attended the Purdue University Agriculture Short Course. He was a US Army veteran, serving in the Panama Canal zone. He first married Gladys Meggit; she died in 1983. Paul then married Joann (Smithley) Scott; she died August 7, 2017. He was a farmer retiring after 35 years. Paul also was a rural mail carrier in LaFontaine for 10 years full time and 13 years part-time, and did carpentry work. He was a member of the Healing Heart Church of God in Marion. He enjoyed camping and wintered in Florida several years.

He is survived by his two brothers, John R. Brane of Van Buren, Indiana, and Claude (Mary) Brane of LaFontaine, nieces and nephews, Mike (Lori) Brane of LaFontaine, Debbie (Guy) Blanchard of Fishers, Indiana, Sam (Patricia) Brane of LaFontaine, Darryl (Christine) Brane of Van Buren, Anna (Brian) Brown of Goshen, Indiana, Sarah (Greg) Brankle and Susan (Eric) Hinderliter, both of Van Buren, two stepsons, Ronald (Kathy) Scott of Logansport, and John (Karen) Scott of Kokomo, Indiana, 4 step-grandchildren, and 11 step great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Donald Brane.

Funeral services will be 2:00 pm Friday, February 21, 2020

at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash. Burial will be in LaFontaine I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Friends may call 12:30-2:00 pm Friday, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is the charity of the Donor's choice.

FUSSELMAN

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and camping. He enjoyed carpentry, throwing tomahawks and making them. He loved telling jokes, "tall tales" and being funny. Jerry loved his wife Shirley more and more every day!

He was born on December 26, 1942 in Huntington County, the son of Harold and Helen (Smith) Fusselman.

He was united in marriage to the love of his life, Shirley Stults on October 13, 1962 at the Markle Church of Christ. His wife survives.

Additional survivors include a son: Marty Fusselman of Bluffton; two daughters: Cheri (Barry) Young of Bluffton; Amy (Michael Sr.) Hoerger of Fort Wayne; two sisters: Charlotte Longo of Bluffton; Betty (Charlie) Bennett of Liberty Center; 14 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Harold and Helen and a sister: Dollie Carter.

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SMITH

Janet L. Smith 82, of Bluffton, passed away Sunday evening February 23, 2020 at Ossian Health Care in Ossian.

Janet was born July 16, 1937 in Bluffton to Lawrence

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Reaser and Nellie (Noble) Reaser-Dickason.

Janet and James “Jim” Smith were married on April 7, 1956 in Petroleum, IN.

A 1955 graduate of Petroleum High School, she worked at NFM Grain Elevator and Panhandle Eastern Pipeline. Janet served as a deputy in the Wells County Recorder’s office from 1985 to 1992. In 1993, Janet was elected as Wells County Recorder and held that position until 2001, where she continued to serve as a deputy in that office until she retired on August 2, 2002.

Janet was a member of JTS Homemakers Club and attended Petroleum United Methodist Church. She loved camping and most of all spending time with her family.

Survivors include her husband of almost 64 years, Jim of Bluffton along with three sons; Randy (Lisa) Smith of Bluffton, Larry (Sarah) Smith of Bluffton, and Chris (Missy) Smith of Liberty Center and a daughter Heidi (Doug) Fear of Uniondale along with 17 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Jerry Reaser.

Services for Janet will be at 10:30 am Friday, (Feb. 28, 2020) at Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Pastor Steve Bard officiating. Burial will follow in Stahl Cemetery in Wells County.

Visitation will be from 4pm – 8pm Thursday, (Feb. 27, 2020)

and for one hour prior to the service.

Memorials may be made in Janet’s memory to the Petroleum United Methodist Church.

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The Alpaca Owners Association, Inc. (AOA) National Alpaca Show sponsored by Fun in the Country Alpacas is the premiere alpaca event of the year.

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Friday, March 13 - 8 – 5.

Saturday, March 14 - 8 – 5.

Sunday, March 15 - 8 – 2.

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