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Thought for the Week: I have failed many times, and that's why I am a success. Michael Jordan



WHF MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Daniel G. Sommer (84) & Helen Sommer(86 yrs old)

This happy couple joined Warren Health and Fitness July 2015. Dan has continued to achieve his fitness goals in his time here at WHF. Dan states that the best part of WHF is, "The management of the gym. I have been involved in gyms in Ohio and Indiana for over 20 years. WHF is the best managed gym I have been a part of in those 20 years." Helen has also achieved a lot in her time here. She is happy to have the indoor carpeted walking track. She has achieved walking a mile to start each of her sessions. Helen has macular degeneration and cannot see well so she has been working on balance and leg strength alternating several machines. Helen states that the best part of WHF is, "the way the businesses and churches of the community support the gym. I like the brightness, cleanness, and all of the positive signs that are put around." In Helen's additional comments she states that, "It is good to hear of the activities for youth. They are learning to make their bodies healthy."

Warren Health and Fitness is beyond proud of this couple! If they can do it so can you! There is no excuses! Keep up the great work Helen and Dan! We are lucky to have you at Warren Health and Fitness!

EGG HUNT

Salamonie Active Men's Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday March 26th at 10:00 AM Sharp at the Knight-Bergman Center.

FESTIVAL REPORT

The Salamonie Summer Festival meeting was held March 14 and was attended by a few people with ideas for 2016. If you or your organization are making plans for the 2016 festival, please contact Cheryl DeWeese or any officer with what you are planning and what times and when it might happen. We need to have get the flyer together with information. This can be a great weekend if we all work together.

There is a lot of new events planned and some old ones being brought back. We need to have the days busy and happening downtown. We still need someone willing to head up the fun wagon. The wagon work is all done before the festival weekend. Thanks in advance for all your support.

DINING WITH DIABETES

Huntington County Extension Office, in partnership with Parkview Huntington Hospital, will offer Dining with Diabetes classes on April 27th and May 4th from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Two sessions will be presented each day for a total of 4 sessions. Total cost is \$35.00.

This program is for diabetics or those at risk for diabetes

and their caregivers, but it is also helpful to anyone interested in diabetes or friends and family of a diabetic. You'll learn how to lessen the health risks of diabetes. Topics covered include food choice, diet planning, healthy cooking, portion control, medical indicator awareness and healthy activity levels for those with diabetes. Participants watch food preparation presentations, taste test, and take home recipes.

Classes will be held on April 27th and May 4th. The class is \$35.00/person and will be held at the Courthouse Annex conference room, 1340 South Jefferson St.

Please call the Extension Office at (260)-358-4826 or email kdhinsha@purdue.edu to reserve your spot. For more information about Dining with Diabetes or other Extension programs, call or stop by the office— 260.358.4826. Purdue Extension, Huntington County Office, 1340 South Jefferson St. Huntington, IN.

4-H FUN DAYS

The Huntington County Purdue Extension Office wants to offer students a Spring Break experience called 4-H Fun Days April 5th-7th.

These events will span over a three day period and will be offered for grades 3-12. The class break down would include grades 3-5 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., grades 6-8 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and grades 9-12 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The classes will offer

students the opportunity take part in activities that they will be able to take home and enjoy.

Day one, April 5th, participants will learn the art of scrapbooking from our very own 4-H educator Rae Ann O'Neill. Participants will be able to create a two page spread for a scrapbook. We ask that participants bring 10 to 15 pictures to complete his or her pages! Day two, April 6th, will showcase cake decorating. Kim, from Kim's Katered Affair, will be teaching the participants new cake decorating skills and secrets along with enjoying a delicious baked treat! Day three, April 7th, will showcase gardening. Participants will experience starting plants from seeds, learn how to transplant seedlings and care for the plants as they grow. Participants will plant seeds for the Helping Hands Community Garden and will also be able to take some plants home for themselves! 4-H Fun Days are not just for children enrolled in 4-H. If any student is not enrolled in 4-H, he or she is more than welcome to join us for these days.

Participants can come all three days or pick and choose between the scheduled events. Each day will incur a cost of \$15 for the specific event. Seating is limited so register by March 28th at 260-358-4826. Come take part in a FUN Spring Break event!

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THE UPTOWN GARDENER
 by Ruth Herring

Wow! What a ride, that's all I can say. My mom and I took off the last week of February to see her brother in Texas. We flew down, which was a first time for flying for me. It was quite the experience. I wasn't really nervous but other things kinda weighed on my mind. I am not fond of heights so that was a big one but I am also claustrophobic and was very leery when they shut the door and pressurized the cabin. But I survived it all and lived to tell about it. Speed is not something that bothers me, in fact it was pretty awesome when that plane started down the runway, just put me right back in my seat. Now when we started floatin in the air, I could feel my stomach kinda floppin around but I closed my eyes and said "Lord don't make me lose it now". Things calmed down a lot once we got up in elevation. My mom very quietly asked me "are you all right?" "Yep mom I got this..I hope" was my response.

We had a 2 hour direct flight, so for the first time I was good. We rolled in to Dallas Love Feld at around 3:30 p.m. and my main objective was getting out of Dallas before rush hour. So we got our rental car and buzzed out of Dodge. I took the back streets out of the airport and didn't have a bit of problem. It was so nice, lots of really pretty homes on that street, I was trying to drive and sight see at the same time. They had daffodil's in full bloom at the end of February.

So our journey to my uncle's house was another 2 hour drive, and we pulled in just in time for supper. By then I was ready to try to walk a mile, I can only sit for so long and my time was up about 30 miles back up the road.

We pulled off a big surprise for my aunt and uncle on Friday. Their son flew in from Wyoming for the weekend, and my other cousins that lived in the Texas-Oklahoma area all drove down to visit for the weekend too. We have such a good time when we are together. There is never a dull moment. Always so much to talk about and never enough time. So in the near future I might be able to tell of some of our crazy discussions we have or in my case some of the stupid ideas we come up with like "riding the bull". Yep, just a tad sore!!

I received a recipe from my aunt while we were down there that sounds really good. She said it is really good and I trust her opinion. So here it is and until next time, "see ya all"

RECIPE ON PAGE 8

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

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

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
 Denise Heinger, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Pastor - Heath Jones
 Youth Leader - Kelly Jones
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Adult Bible Study Sun 6:30p.m.
 Youth Group Sun 6:00p.m.
 Handicap Accessible
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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 Soutz & Dick Case
 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Monday thru Friday
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

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

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

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

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 9:55a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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

McNATT UNITED METHODIST
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45-11:30a.m.
 Sunday Youth 6-7:30 p.m.
 Come as you are for all services

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2691
 Jill Miller, Pastor
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship10:30 a.m.

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

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2102
 Pastor Scott Nedberg
 Youth Pastor - Pastor Heather Parsons
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Meetings-Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

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

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 765-934-1431
 Pastor Cindy Osgood
 Worship Service 9:30 am
 The Highway (2nd Service) 11:00 am
 Sunday School 10:30am
 Not Home Alone - Wed 2:30 pm
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:00 pm
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am
 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue 12:00 pm
www.vanburenumc.org

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-3022
 Ethan T Stivers, Minister
 Ben Renkenberger, Youth Minister
 Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes - Secretaries
www.warrenchurchofchrist.org
 Fellowship9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School11 to 11:40 a.m.
 Youth: (Start back up in the fall)
 K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-7:30pm

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

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

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

Please Attend the Church of Your Choice

AREA NEWS

WHS ALUMNI BANQUET

The alumni banquet of Warren High School will be held at the Knight-Bergman Center in Warren on May 14. All former students, teachers, and friends of the Warren School are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The classes of 1956 and 1966 will be recognized as honored classes. All graduates 1946 and before will also be recognized. The class of 1966 will be celebrating 50 years since graduating and was the last class to graduate from Warren.

Social hour begins at 5:30 followed by dinner and program at 6:30. The Salamonie Valley Museum will be open during the afternoon and evening.

You may make your reservations by contacting Jim Howell at 375-3048 or email howellj@citznet.com for reservations.

PORK DINNER

Solid Rock United Methodist Church, Warren, will sponsor a pork dinner at the church, 485 Bennett Drive, on March 19, 2016. Noon and evening meals will be available.

Carry-out meals will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This meal will include roast pork, barbecue sauce, coleslaw, and dessert.

The evening meal, served from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m., will be a sit-down dinner with a menu featuring roast pork, barbecue sauce, buttered potatoes, green beans, sauerkraut, dinner rolls, dessert, and drink.

Meals will be prepared by The Hog Roasters. A freewill

donation will be accepted. Proceeds will go to Warren Area Ministerial Association Youth Services.

GOOD FRIDAY HOURS

Kent Abernathy, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), announced today that all BMV license branches will be closed Friday, March 25 in observance of the Good Friday holiday.

All branches resume their regularly scheduled business hours on Saturday, March 26.

FLOWER SALES

Grant County 4-H members are currently selling flowers and vegetables. The flowers and vegetables available for 2016 are: red, white and pink Geraniums, Mossrose, Snapdragons, red, white and purple Wave Petunias, Gerbera Daisy, Better Boy Tomato, California Wonder Bell Pepper, Cherry Tomato, Wave Petunia hanging basket, Impatiens hanging basket, and Begonia hanging basket.

If you are planning to buy flowers or vegetables for your home, why not purchase from a Grant County 4-H member?

Contact a local 4-H'er or club leader to order your plants before April 22, or call the Grant County Extension Office and we can put you in touch with a 4-H Club. The phone number for the office is 765-651-2413.

Please support your Grant County 4-Her's.

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

Fine Arts Scholarship Available The Zeta Chapter of Sigma Eta Fine arts Sorority is offering a

\$300 scholarship to a senior or former sorority recipient majoring in music, art or drama in college. The applicant must be a Huntington County resident and be in the upper third of his or her class academically. Applications are available from the guidance office at Huntington North High School. The deadline for all applications is March 31. Applications should be mailed to Myrna Neff, 975 Oak St., Huntington, IN. 46750.

TO THE CROSS

The Warren Community is invited to attend To The Cross on Thursday, March 24, 2016 ANYTIME between 6:30pm - 8:30pm at Warren Church of Christ. Come and participate in different stations that will allow you to experience Jesus' final days before, during, and after the crucifixion. Please enter through the back door to our large fellowship hall (signs will be posted), where you will be prepared to go through the walking experience as a family or group. There will be childcare available for children younger than school age as we encourage the school age children to go through the experience with their parents. Don't miss this opportunity to prepare your hearts and minds for Easter weekend!

BLOOD DRIVE

The American Red Cross encourages the community to give blood during National Volunteer Month this April and

make a difference in the lives of patients in need.

More than 3 million generous people donated blood through the Red Cross last year. The Red Cross salutes these volunteer blood donors who helped fulfill its lifesaving mission and invites others to roll up a sleeve and join them.

Kathy Huey became a donor after encouragement from her husband, who has given more than 11 gallons of blood. "I love the fact that I'm helping others by giving a little bit of my time," she said. "It's simple and easy and helps save lives - what could be better?"

Volunteer donors are the only source of blood products for those in need of transfusions. Donors of all blood types are needed this spring.

Extra reason to give in April: Those who come to give blood with the Red Cross this April can enter to win four tickets to a Cedar Fair amusement park of their choice and have access to purchase additional park passes at a discount, including to Cedar Point, Kings Island, and other Cedar Fair parks.

To make an appointment to give blood, download the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Locally:
4/7/2016: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Knight-Bergman Center, 132 S. Nancy St.

CHAUTAUQUA

The Chautauqua Literary Club met March 4, 2015 in the Calico Room at Heritage Pointe.

President Peggy Schweikhardt opened the meeting and lead the Club Collect. Roll call was answered by offering "Signs of Renewal." Sue Blair read the minutes in the absence of the secretary. LuEllyn Pond gave the treasurer's report.

Linda Howell gave a delightful review of Debbie Newcomber's book, Knit Together. The author began writing at 10 years old but told no one, she was afraid of having her dreams trampled.

Debbie believed God had called her to write. She refused to give up.

Today, after battling many years of uncertainty and rejection, Debbie Macomber is a successful, award winning novelist with whom millions of readers have fallen in love.

We can take courage and inspiration from the valuable lessons the author has learned about making dreams happen.

Phyllis Hubartt and Sandy Thompson served delicious St Patrick's Day refreshments to 16 members.

HERITAGE POINTE REPORTS

Pool results for the week are as follows - Phil Boxell and Larry Langdon came in first and in second place were Ed Hollander and Homer Huffman. There were 18 players this week. Come out and join them and have a good time. There is always room for more people.

Now for the bowling scores this week: Dick Hinton was high person with a series of 205, Popcorn Lightner was second with a 167 series, Sawdust came in third with a 166 series and last but not least was Mary Dungan with a 164 series. High game for the day was Dick Hinton with a 223.

BEWARE SPRING FLOODING

While spring brings warmer weather and longer days to Indiana, it also comes with volatile weather that can increase the risk of floods. The

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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 16 7:00p V - Town Council Meeting
- Mar 21 6:30p W - KBC Board Meeting at KBC
- Mar 26 11a Banquo Christian Church Easter Egg Hunt
- Mar 26 4:30-7p Mt Zion Fish Fry
- Mar 27 Easter Sunday
- Apr 6 Noon W - Chamber of Commerce at Assembly Hall
- Apr 6 7:00p V - Town Council Meeting
- Apr 7 2-6p Blood Drive at KBC
- Apr 11 5:30p W - Town Council, Assembly Hall

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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Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) is asking Hoosiers to take the time during Flood Safety Awareness Week, March 13-19, to plan ahead for potential flooding.

There are several steps individuals and families can take to prepare for flooding. IDHS encourages all Hoosiers develop a family emergency communications plan and put together a disaster preparedness kit. The kit should contain essential items a family needs to sustain itself for at least three days. When developing a family communications plan, make sure to include an out-of-state contact and meeting places in case the family becomes separated.

In the neighborhood In many cases, easy preventative yard work can help minimize the effects of flooding in neighborhoods.

High amounts of debris, especially near storm sewer drains, can impede the flow of water and contribute to potential flooding in residential areas. Using a rake or shovel can help clear storm drains

while avoiding contact with flood water. Dispose of debris in compost piles or through local municipalities.

When water levels are low, clear any debris from waterways, ditches or culverts that may obstruct water flow and force water over the banks and into neighborhoods and streets.

Contact local emergency management officials if any large obstructions are seen in rivers or creeks. Be patient, as it may take time for the issue to be addressed. If the issue is on private property, removal may fall to the property owner.

The best time to inspect waterways and storm drains is before a rain storm, when water levels are lower and currents move more slowly. Without taking preventive measures, clogged or blocked drainage systems can lead to numerous problems.

If living near bodies of water (ponds, rivers, streams, etc.), it is important to be prepared.

Ensure that all sump pumps are operational, and clear any gutters or drain spouts of debris.

* Have an escape plan established, including multiple

routes so flooded roads can be avoided.

* Keep any important documents, such as birth certificates and Social Security cards, in a safe, waterproof file to help prevent damage.

* Monitor local weather and river forecasts and keep an eye on any waterways along roads near residences.

* Water levels can change rapidly and flooding can begin with little or no warning.

* Consider evacuating in advance of flooding if rising water may cut off access routes to and from home.

On the road

According to the National Weather Service, most flood-related deaths happen while driving. Hoosiers should also keep the following in mind when encountering flooded roadways.

Never attempt to cross a flooded road, even if it seems shallow. Water can conceal dips, or worse, flood waters can damage roadways, washing away the entire road surface and a significant amount of ground.

Remember, just a few inches of moving water is enough to carry away most vehicles, including SUVs and pick-up trucks.

Be especially cautious at night when it is harder to recognize high water danger.

Flood Insurance

Floods can be very expensive, and purchasing flood insurance is one of the most cost-effective steps homeowners can take to protect their homes. FEMA's FloodSmart website (www.floodsmart.gov) includes a tool to quickly estimate the cost of damages from various amounts of flood

water in a home, as well as resources that can make a residence more flood resistant. Also conduct a home inventory of all valuables. An easy way to do this is with a home video camera or photographs. Thorough documentation of belongings can help when filing a flood insurance claim.

For more flood safety and preparedness tips, visit GetPrepared.in.gov and www.floodsafety.noaa.gov.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Alzheimer's Association Greater Indiana Chapter is actively recruiting volunteers to be a part of a movement to reclaim the future for millions by participating in the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's®. The 2016 Fort Wayne Walk will be held on Saturday, Oct. 8, at Parkview Field, located at 1301 Ewing St.

"Alzheimer's disease is the only cause of death among the top 10 in America that cannot be prevented, cured or even slowed," said Development Specialist Julie Burkholder. "Now is the time for Fort Wayne to unite in the fight against Alzheimer's disease and take action by participating in the Walk to End Alzheimer's. We need committed leaders to step up to make the 2016 Fort Wayne Walk a community success."

Alzheimer's disease is a growing epidemic and is the nation's sixth-leading cause of death. As baby boomers age,

the number of individuals living with Alzheimer's disease will rapidly escalate. More than 5 million Americans currently live with Alzheimer's, including 110,000 Hoosiers.

To learn more information about volunteer opportunities, email IndianaVolunteer@alz.org or call 800.272.3900.

About the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's®: The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's is the nation's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. Since 1989, the Alzheimer's Association mobilized millions of Americans in the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's.

FISH, FROGS & WATER DOGS

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "Fish, Frogs and Water Dogs" class on April 13.

The class will be offered from 10-11:30 a.m., and again from 12:30- 2 p.m., at Salamonie Interpretive Center, in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, Andrews.

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

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Join us for a
SociABLE Lunch Seminar

Join iAB's agribusiness professionals for complimentary lunch and presentations by guest speakers on increasing profitability, reducing risk and improving your farm yields.

Tuesday, March 29 at Dogwood Glen Golf Course
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Thank you for all the prayers, cards, calls, flowers and food sent during this difficult time.

Church knew so many people and will be missed by all.

Special thanks to Glancy Funeral Home for their wonderful kind service to my family. To Pastor Barry Humble and my Boehmer Church family, you are wonderful.

To those who gave memorial gifts to the Warren Volunteer Fire Department and to Boehmer Church, we thank you.

Some left a monetary donation to the Warren Fire Dept., but did not leave their name.

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SCHORTGEN

Little Miss Ellie Grace Schortgen, Infant, went into the loving arms of her Heavenly Father on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 11:50 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Ellie was born on February 26, 2016 at 2:36 p.m., the daughter of Travis and Emily (Oswalt) Schortgen of rural Warren.

Ellie is survived by her parents; paternal grandparents, William "Bill" and Malia Schortgen of Poneto; maternal grandparents, Kenny and Julie Oswalt of Pendleton; great-grandparents, Don and Addie Oswalt of Poneto, Carolyn Stover of Hartford City and Donford and Genelda Lancaster of Poneto; and several aunts and uncles. A private family service will be held in Ellie's memory.

Memorials may be made in Ellie's honor to Mad Anthony's Children's Hope House of Fort Wayne.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home. Friends may share condolences at www.thomarich.com

HEYDE

Carl E. Heyde, 79 of  Huntington passed away at 8:56 pm on Sunday, March 13, 2016 at Lutheran Hospital.

Carl was a 1955 graduate of Huntington High School. He had worked at Heyde Gas Station, Memcor/E-Systems and was founder and president of Miami Tool & Die, Inc. from 1969-2016. He was a United States Army Veteran, serving in the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Fulda, Germany. He was a member of the Banquo Christian Church as well as American Legion Post #85, Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #837, VFW Post 2689 and was an avid community supporter. He enjoyed many activities over the years, including golf, fishing, motorcycling, mushroom hunting, traveling, bowling, playing cards and enjoying his family and friends.

Carl was born on March 8, 1937 in Marshall County, Indiana, the son of Alvin and Hazel (Sheneman) Heyde.

He was united in marriage to Carole (Trook) Hacker; his second marriage was to Connie Hiatt on December 24, 1976. She preceded him in death on September 27, 2013.

Survivors include three daughters: Joy (Don) Conley of Huntington; Kristi (Randy) Young of North Manchester;

Kelli Koontz of Huntington; two brothers: Dallas (Sheila) Heyde of Warren; Larry (Doric) Heyde of Huntington; a sister: Jo Ann (Max) Sell of Huntington; 13 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Alvin and Hazel Heyde, his wife: Connie Heyde, and two sons: Jeff Hethcote and Mike Morris.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 18, 2016 from 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Myers Funeral Home Huntington Chapel.

Funeral service will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2016 at 10:00 am with one hour of visitation prior to the service at the Myers Funeral Home Huntington Chapel.

Interment will be at the Mt. Etna Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations be made out to or American Legion Post #85 both in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford Street, Huntington, Indiana 46750.

MCFARLAND

Donna Jean (Slusher) McFarland 78 of Bluffton departed this earthly life to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on March 13, 2016 after a courageous battle with cancer at the Visiting Nurse Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

Donna was the daughter of Roscoe and Helen Slusher. A lifelong resident of Wells County, she enjoyed being raised on the family farm and graduated from Jackson Township High School in 1955. Donna retired from Franklin Electric after 30 years of service and continued her dedicated service as President

of the Franklin Electric Quarter Century Club for the past several years. She was raised attending Dillman Church and was a member of Park United Brethren Church in Bluffton. Donna enjoyed being a member of the Red Hat Society. She loved cooking large meals for her family and had a passion for her flower garden, her backyard birds, and IU basketball.

She is preceded in death by her parents Roscoe and Helen Slusher, son Gary Martin of Fort Wayne, sister Jane Haley of Huntington, brothers Wayne Harter of Bluffton, Glen Arnold of Springfield, Illinois, and her twin brother Don Slusher of Warren.

She is survived in death by her sister Gladys Huffman of Bluffton. She is survived by two daughters: Jean (Jim) Brinneman of Bluffton and Deborah (Jim) Amstutz of Keystone. She is also survived by four grandchildren: Julie (Bryan) Drummond and Danielle (Brent) Archbold of Bluffton, Jennifer (Josh) Beaty of Fort Wayne, and Billy Ladig of New Haven as well as nine great-grandchildren.

A service to celebrate Donna's life will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 17, 2016 at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Pastor John Cole will officiate. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton. Calling hours will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, and 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday, March 17 at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Friends Who Care Cancer Relief Foundation or Park United Brethren Church.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

FRANTZ

Margaret L. Frantz, 98, of Marion, IN, died Saturday, March 12, 2016, at 5:35 a.m. at Heritage Pointe, in Warren, IN.

Mrs. Frantz was a self-employed seamstress. She had attended Central Christian Church.

She was born in Marion to Troy Alton and Blanche Druley Wiley. She married William H. Frantz on May 28, 1938, and he preceded her in death on April 24, 1990.

Survivors include two daughters, Susan Miller and Karen (Ron) Harrell, both of Marion; a son, David Frantz, of Marion; seven grandchildren, Troy (Michele) Stanley, of Gas City; Tony (Kathleen) Stanley, Len (Nyoka) Harrell and Alex (Kim Goins) Harrell, all of Marion; Robert (Liza) Harrell, of Marietta, GA; Philip Frantz, of California; and Maggie (Andy) Frantz, of Alameda, CA; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Calling is Wednesday, March 16, 2016, from 10 a.m. to noon, with a service following at noon, at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion. Rev. Dr. Tom Mansbarger will officiate. Burial will be at Grant Memorial Park, in Marion.

Memorial gifts may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 50 E. 91st St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46209.

WADE

Marilyn E. Wade, 83, of Huntington, IN, died Sunday, March 13, 2016, at 12:44 p.m. at Heritage of Huntington.

Mrs. Wade provided in-home childcare, and then was owner of Lynn's Ceramics and Gifts in Huntington, retiring in 2001. She was a member of SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Huntington.

She was born July 2, 1932, in Detroit, MI to Oscar and Melcena Connors Nettrour. She married David Lee Wade on April 12, 1951, in Roswell, NM, and he preceded her in death on Oct. 24, 2006.

Survivors include three sons, David A. (Diane) Wade, of Arlington, TX; Michael S. (Judy) Wade, of Huntington; and Jeffrey S. (Julie) Wade of Tequesta, FL; four daughters, Kathy L. (Mark) Vickrey, of Warren, Theresa L. (Curt) Hunter, of Fort Wayne, and Peri S. (Kevin) Boyle and Lisa A. (Philip) Zahm, both of Huntington; a sister, Phyllis (George) Mizer, of New Haven;

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19 grandchildren, and 21 great grandchildren.

Calling is Wednesday, March 16, 2016, from 9 to 10 a.m. at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 860 Cherry St., Huntington, with a Mass of Christian Burial immediately following at 10 a.m. Rev. Ron Rieder will officiate. Burial will be at Mount Calvary Cemetery, Huntington.

Memorial gifts may be made to Alzheimer's Association or masses to SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

LYDY

Charles "Wayne" Lydy,  93, of Bluffton, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Tuesday evening, March 8, 2016, at Christian Care Retirement Community.

Born in Wells County on Feb. 27, 1923, to Charles Westley and Leota (Farr) Lydy, Wayne married Dorothy M. Crickmore in Poneto, on Sept. 28, 1946; she survives.

Wayne attended Liberty Center High School and at the age of 17, he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps, where he worked until joining the U.S. Army during WWII, from 1943 until 1946, stationed in the Philippines. After the war, Wayne worked at Franklin Electric and then Fort Wayne Newspapers as a district manager, retiring in 1985 after almost 30 years of service.

He was a member of the First Church of Christ in Bluffton and the oldest member of the Bluffton American Legion Post 111. Wayne loved working with his hands, especially woodworking, fishing, and camping.

Wayne will be remembered for his 80 years of service in the Boy Scouts, where he served 20 of those years as a Scout Master and was a member of the Order of the Arrow. While in the Boy Scouts,

he received numerous awards, including the Silver Beaver Award. He was also a driving force behind the CCC statue installation at Ouabache State Park in Bluffton.

In addition to his wife, Wayne is survived by five daughters, Myra M. (Rocky) Myrtle of Bluffton, Gwendolyn Sue (William) Adkins of Berne, Cheryl A. Lee of Bluffton, Carol A. (Steven) Gray of Berne, and Carla W. (Anthony) Ivey of Bluffton; 16 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren; along with a brother, Robert (Barbara) Lydy of Naples, Fla.; and a sister, Freida DeBolt of Bluffton.

Alongside his parents, Wayne was preceded in death by two grandchildren; sisters, Louise Lutz and Joan Schorey and infant sister Bonnie Lydy; and a brother, Dale Lydy.

Visitation will be Friday, March 11, from noon to 8 p.m., at Goodwin-Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton. Services will be held Saturday

at 10:30 a.m., at the First Church of Christ in Bluffton, with one hour of visitation prior to the service at the church. Larry Sprinkle will officiate.

Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton with military graveside rites provided by the American Legion Post 111 of Bluffton in conjunction with the U.S. Army Honor Guard.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First Church of Christ, Friends of the Ouabache State Park, or Boy Scouts Troop 140 Scholarship Fund.

COWENS

Charles R. Cowens, 75, of Bluffton passed away on Tuesday morning, March 8, 2016, at the Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

He was born Jan. 15, 1941, in Bluffton to Frank and Nella (Fisher) Cowens.

Charlie attended Petroleum Schools for 10 years and

graduated from Lancaster High School in 1959. He worked for the United States Postal Service for 39 years in Bluffton. After retirement, he worked for the Bluffton Parks Department and Walmart. He was a member of the Petroleum United Methodist Church and the Bluffton Masonic Lodge #145 and a member of the Mizpah Shrine in Fort Wayne and a member of the Bluffton Optimist Club.

On June 16, 1962, in Farmer, Ohio, Charlie and Sharon K. (Potter) were married.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon of Bluffton, along with two sons, Bob A. Cowens and Bill A. Cowens, along with a

granddaughter, Emily K. Cowens, all of Bluffton. He is survived by two sisters, Mary Jane Elston of Warren and Alice Ann Lesh of Jacksonville, Fla.; along with a sister-in-law, Floy Cowens of Bluffton and nieces Joyce (Marshall) Dantzler, Janet (Dick) Sheffer, and Debbie (Bob) Landrum; and two nephews, John (Peggy) Cowens and Sam Nichols.

He is preceded in death by a son, Scott A. Cowens, along with a brother, John Cowens, and a sister, Helen E. Nichols.

A service to celebrate Charlie's life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at the

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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!

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Registration forms will be taken from March 1 to Saturday, March 26, 2016. Entries received after this time will go on a waiting list and will not be guaranteed a place on the team.

(Please print & complete one form per player)

Player's Name: _____ M F

Birthdate: _____ Age as June 1, 2016: _____

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Petroleum United Methodist Church, with Pastor Greg Andrews officiating. The service will include a Masonic Memorial Service given by the Bluffton Lodge # 145. Friends can visit with the family from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday prior to the service. Burial will follow at Stahl Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in Charlie's memory to the Shriner Children's Hospital.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

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CHILDREN AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

By Glenn Augustine "We're number 1!" Words typically associated with a victory celebration carry a more dubious distinction in Indiana.

According to the KIDS COUNT in Indiana Data Book, in 2014 Indiana logged the highest number of methamphetamine incidents in the nation. Meth incidents occur when police find an active meth lab, dumpsite, or seize equipment or ingredients used to make meth. Caught in the middle are more than 350 children who were removed from their

homes because of these conditions. In Muncie recently, a 16-year-old girl reportedly suffered third degree burns from a meth mishap in her home.

"Quite often, we're uprooting those young people with just the clothes on their back because when we find meth labs, we find the associated toxic environment that goes with the making of meth," said Sgt. Tony Slocum of the Indiana State Police.

A recent survey found 13.4 percent of Hoosier children have lived with someone who had a drug or alcohol problem, worse than the national rate of 10.7 percent. According to the National Center for Biotechnology Information, a parent with a substance use disorder is three times more likely to physically or sexually abuse their child.

That reality is playing out across Indiana. Department of Child Services (DCS) spokesman James Wide says there's been a "70 percent increase in the number of our cases that have drug involvement."

In rural Scott County, police, public health and community leaders are battling a prescription drug and heroin abuse problem. The KIDS COUNT Data Book shows that from 2011 to 2014, Scott County's child abuse and neglect rate doubled, the number of child neglect cases rose 116 percent, and child physical abuse cases increased 142 percent.

Michelle Korty of Prevent Child Abuse Scott County says "90-95 percent or higher" of

abuse and neglect cases in Scott County are tied to drugs. Korty says some parents are so fixated on chasing their next high that "very little of their time, energy, and resources is left to focus on providing the safe, nurturing environment and for meeting the basic needs of their children."

The American Academy of Experts in Traumatic Stress reports children exposed to parents who abuse drugs can suffer long-term physical and psychological damage. They blame themselves for their parents' problems. They feel rejection and resentment when left alone for long periods of time, and are more likely to experience anxiety, depression, low self-esteem and struggle to form adult relationships.

"We have got to change the conversation," said Republican State Senator Jim Merritt of Indianapolis, who has introduced several new pieces of legislation related to the enforcement of drug laws and treatment for drug addiction. "We've always thought of it as a character issue. I always say drug addiction is a disease not a character flaw."

John Wernert, a licensed psychiatrist and secretary of Indiana's Family and Social Services Administration, agrees and says the state is doing more to help addicts manage their disease. "We understand these are chronically relapsing diseases and it may take someone 8, 10, 12 times to go through detoxification before they actually make a commitment to sobriety and staying clean."

In the meantime, some of Indiana's children will continue to suffer. State law says that all Hoosiers are mandatory reporters—meaning if you suspect a child is being abused or neglected, you are required to file a report. You can do so by calling the state's toll-free child abuse hotline number, 1-800-800-5556.

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In a large bowl combine rice, cornmeal, onion, peppers, salt and soda. In another bowl, beat eggs milk and oil. Add corn and mix well. Stir into rice mixture until blended. Fold in cheese. Sprinkle a well greased 10 inch oven proof skillet with cornmeal. Pour batter into skillet. Bake 350 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes or until test done. Cut into wedges and serve warm. Makes 12 servings.

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