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*Thought for the Week:* One word frees us of all the weight and pain of life: That word is love. Sophocles



## 2017 OPTIMIST YOUTH APPRECIATION AWARDS

The motto of Optimist International is "Friend of Youth". In keeping with this motto, the Huntington Optimist Club has designated its Optimist Youth Appreciation Award to recognize a few of the outstanding young people in our community. The Youth Appreciation Award is awarded to two (2) students from each of the Huntington County Middle Schools and three (3) students from Huntington North High School who demonstrate outstanding dedication and service to their school, the community and its citizens. The Youth Appreciation Award winners are announced and presented at a Huntington Optimist Club meeting.

Pictured above are (l-r) Elaine Willour HNHS Guidance Counselor, Brooke Trice, Robert Bolinger, Sadie Landrum HNHS Guidance Counselor, Andrew Freck, Chris Campbell HNHS Guidance Counselor.

Robert Bolinger is the son of Robert and Marie DeWeese of Warren.

Robby has been in the Viking New Tech program during his four year high school career at Huntington North. In the VNT program, Robby has developed many 21st century skills, such as collaboration, planning, reflecting and presenting information to a critical audience. He is described as a consistently hard worker who can be depended on by his group members to finish not only his work, but also to support their efforts as well.

Robby has been a member of the Varsity Singers band for four years and he is a Junior Rotarian and a member of the National Honor Society.

His community service includes the Bread of Life Food Pantry, the Solid Rock United Methodist Church youth group and at the annual CROP walk.

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## FESTIVAL MEETING

It is getting down to the last chance for you to come help with the Salamonie Summer Festival 50th event. Manual help is needed with everything. All the plans have been made for the weekend.. Come show your love for the festival and our Small Town with a Big heart. Next meeting will be May 8th 6:00pm at Knight Bergman Civic Center in Warren.

## STAMP OUT HUNGER

On Saturday, May 13, the National Association of Letter Carriers, the United States Postal Service & other partners are asking the community of Warren, IN to Stamp Out Hunger. This is the 25th anniversary of the food drive, which has grown into a national effort that provides assistance to the millions of Americans struggling to help put food on the table.

The Stamp Out Hunger food drive, held on the 2nd Saturday in May, has become the nation's largest single-day food drive. In 2016, generous Americans donated 80.1 million pounds of food, feeding millions of people. This was the 13th consecutive year of at least 70 million pounds collected by letter carriers, bringing the grand total to 1.5 billion pounds of food collected, since the Food Drive began in 1993.

"We are proud to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the food drive," said Acting Postmaster, Theresa Sprong.

"We're asking residents for their support to help make this another successful year. It's easy to make a donation: simply leave a bag of nonperishable food items by the mailbox to help your neighbors in need."

The need for food assistance exists in every community in America. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 50 million Americans are food insecure, meaning they live at risk of hunger. Perhaps most alarming is the fact that nearly 16 million children in America are struggling with hunger. Additionally, close to 5 million seniors face choices between paying rent, utilities, and having nutritious food.

To participate in the annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive residents are encouraged to leave a sturdy bag containing nonperishable food items such as canned soup, canned vegetables, peanut butter, pasta, rice or cereal next to their mailbox prior to the time of regular mail delivery on Saturday, May 13. Letter carriers will collect these food donations as they deliver the mail and take them to local food banks.

For more information about the annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive, visit [www.feedingamerica.org](http://www.feedingamerica.org) and [www.nalc.org/community-service/food-drive](http://www.nalc.org/community-service/food-drive).

## OPEN ENROLLMENT

Small World Preschool in Warren is a non-profit preschool, which has been serving the families of Warren and the surrounding area for over thirty years.

The preschool is now enrolling students for the 2017-2018 school year.

Classes will begin in early September and end in early May. The 3-4 year old class attends on Tuesday and Thursday from 9-11:30 and the 4-5 year old class attends on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9-11:30 am or 12:30-3:00 pm. Children must be 3 or 4 years old by August 1, 2017.

The cost is \$70 a month for the 3-4 year old class (\$560 total) and \$85.00 a month for the 4-5 year old class (\$680 total), with a \$40 application fee. The registration fee will increase to \$50 after June 30th and registration ends July 31. Scholarships are available upon request to qualifying families.

Please contact Kristen Schortgen at 765-499-0977 or [kschortgen@gmail.com](mailto:kschortgen@gmail.com) for more information or to register your child. You may also pick up a registration form at iAB Financial, Bippus State Bank, East of Chicago, or the Warren Post Office.

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### NUNS RETURN WITH A WIN!

Nunsense Opens at the Pulse on May 5


The Nuns from the Pulse Opera House production of Nunsense have returned from Champaign, Illinois! Jana Henly won Best Supporting Actress for her performance of Sister Mary Amnesia. Ten plays representing community theatres from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin performed excerpts from their plays which included dramas, musicals, comedies, Shakespeare and original scripts.

The Pulse previously won Best Show, Best Director, Best Supporting Actor – Stacia Brinneman, Best Supporting Actor – Jana Henly and Best Ensemble in the Indiana Community Theatre Association Festival which earned them the right to attend the Regional Festival in Illinois.

The full production of Nunsense runs May 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21 at the Pulse Opera House. The Friday and Saturday shows start at 8:00 pm. Sunday performances start at 4:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be reserved at [www.pulseoperahouse.org](http://www.pulseoperahouse.org) or by calling (260) 375-7017.

Nunsense is produced by special arrangement with Samuel French.

Pictured (L-R) Stacia Brinneman, Jana Henly, Jessica Dodson, Linda Willard, Chrysa Keenon



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 8013W 1100S -90, Montpelier  
 Phillip Freely 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 Heining, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.  
**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
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 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.  
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 Pastor Wayne Couch  
 260/515-2517  
 Sunday Prayer ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
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**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**  
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 Matt Kennedy, Pastor  
 Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.  
**HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**  
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 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  
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 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.  
 Thursday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT  
 Monday thru Friday  
 Chapel Services ..... 9:00 a.m.

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 375-2510  
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[www.hillcrestnazchurch.org](http://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**  
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 375-3873  
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 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.  
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 468-2411  
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor  
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 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  
 1<sup>st</sup> Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am  
 4<sup>th</sup> Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm  
**LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Rev. Josh Johnson  
 Morning Worship .....9:30 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**  
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 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 School .....9:30 a.m.  
 Worship .....10:30 a.m.  
**SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN**  
 468-2412  
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor  
 Worship .....9:30 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  
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 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  
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 Fellowship .....9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion .....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School .....11 to 11:40 a.m.  
 Youth:  
 K-5th grade, Mon ..... 6-7pm  
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm  
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 Youth Directors  
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 Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship .....10:00 a.m.  
 Youth Group: Grades 3-5 ..... 4-5:30p  
 Grades 6-12 .... 5:30 - 7p  
**WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**  
**375-2330** 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren  
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor  
 Wesley Welch, Supt.  
 Sunday School .....9:30 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 Classes .....9:30 am  
 Youth Group .....6:00 pm  
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm  
 Thurs. Bible Study .....7:00 pm

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## AREA NEWS

### 50 YEAR ROOM

The Salamonie Summer Festival committee is still looking for items to display in the 50 years of Salamonie Summer Festival room. Any pictures from any of the festival's would be great. No need to tear picture books apart we can scan them directly out of your books. Organizations, do you have a historian that has pictures of events you put on or sponsored? That would be great or even past items that was used at your events. All items will be returned to you. Did you win a drawing and win a quilt, basket, or anything that was given away during the festival and would like to display it? We would love to borrow it for our display.

Can anyone tell me about the bozo stand or the shoe contest back in the 60's during the festival? Or in the 70's they had a ladies contest, string instrument gathering and concert, GYMKHANA, penny pitch, tri-lody, superstar team events, or who were the senior citizen queens?

In the 80's what were some of the events at the battle of the churches, who were the Salamonie Ramblers, what

was in the box lunches that were served?

Any help would greatly be appreciated. Give me a call at 260 375 2436 and ask for Treva.

### ROCK-A-THON

This Saturday May 6th, the Salamonie Summer Festival committee will be Rock'n Around town to raise money for the Salamonie Summer festivals 50th anniversary. The committee members will be rocking in their rocking chairs for 12 hours and can be seen at Dollar General, Warren Health and Fitness, East of Chicago and possibly other places along the route. Stop by and encourage them on to help make this year's festival one to remember.

### ESSAY CONTEST

In past years the festival has had an essay contest and this year we would like to renew an old event. So put on your thinking cap and let's take a walk down memory lane. What was your favorite event or your favorite festival memory? There is no word limit to your essay, just write it from the heart. The winner of the essay contest will receive an award

sponsored by the Warren Weekly and will be published in the paper and will be on display in the 50 years of Salamonie Summer Festival room. All essays must be turned in to Treva Flemming by May 31st and you can send them to Treva at Box 277 Warren Ind.

### MONDAY GOLF

Calling all Golfers: Sign up is now under way for the annual Monday morning Handicap Golf League. All area men, ladies, boys and girls are welcome. Two person teams: if you need a partner, we will help pair you with another golfer. Play will start in early June. Cost: \$25.00 per person league fee, plus weekly green fees. Sign up at the Dogwood Glen Clubhouse or call Ted Reinke at 375-3005.

### GARAGE SALES

The residents of Heritage Pointe's WOODRIDGE TOWNE HOMES and DOGWOOD VILLAS will be holding their annual multi-household garage sales on Saturday, May 6th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come by to save money on these good deals!!

### Swine Boosters

The Huntington County Swine Boosters will meet on Tuesday May 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Huntington Co. Courthouse Annex Conference Room. The

discussion items include the May 21 swine open show, the 4-H Fair food booth, and other old/new business. For more information, contact Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office, 1340 South Jefferson, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

### GOSPEL SING

Chester Center Church will be hosting a Gospel Sing on Saturday - May 6, 2017 starting at 6:00 pm located at 9009 S - 300 W, Poneto, (across from Southern Wells High School).

Come on out for a great time of music and fellowship. Finger foods following the music.

For more information or to sign up to sing call or text 360-608-4767 or email us at chestercenterchurch303@gmail.com.

### GOSPEL FESTIVAL

The Indiana Gospel Music Festival is bringing their Spring concert to Healing Waters Ministries, 5811 W 606 S, Mt Etna (Huntington), Ind. 46750. On Saturday May 6th at 6:00 pm.

The groups coming are Dedication, The Disciples and His Grace. They are all from the Indianapolis area. Come and bring your family, friends and neighbors to fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ. Enjoy great music and

testimonies. This event is FREE for all.

### EDUCATION

#### EXTRAVAGANZA

Purdue Extension Health and Human Sciences Educators in the Fort Wayne District are planning a fun-filled, interactive and educational day! Mark your calendars to attend the Educational Extravaganza on May 16, 2017 from 10:00 am -2:00 pm to learn more about healthy oils, de-stressing, connecting with grandchildren and much more! Cost per person is \$10 and includes lunch.

The Educational Extravaganza will take place in the IPFW Walb Union Ballroom, located at 2101 E. Coliseum Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Free Parking is available in the adjacent garage- P2.

Participants will attend three sessions taught by area Purdue Extension Educators. Session choices include: Color Me Stress Free; Mindfulness; Travel Indiana; 10 Secrets to Thrifty Grocery Shopping for Nutritious Foods; Olive Oil 101; Secrets to Aging Successfully: It's All Greek to Me; The A to ZZZZZ's of Sleep; Social Media, the Internet and Connecting with Grandchildren; Container Gardening.

Registration for this event is due by May 5th and forms can be picked up at the Extension Office, or found online at [www.extension.purdue.edu/wells](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/wells).

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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.

May 8 5:00p W - Town Council meeting, Assembly Hall  
May 15 6:30p W - KBC Board Meeting, at KBC  
May 17 7:00p V - Town Council Meeting  
June 3 9a-11p Ribbon Rides Party in the Park @ Tower Park  
June 5 5:00p Veteran's Banquet @ Banquo Christian Church  
June 5 6:30p SSF Planning Committee @ KBC  
June 7 Noon W - Chamber Luncheon at Assembly Hall  
June 7 7:00p V - Town Council Meeting  
June 12 5:00p W - Town Council Meeting at 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  
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## NATURE’S PLAYGROUND

Purdue Extension in Wells County in partnership with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources will host “Discover Nature’s Playground,” a family nature workshop, at Ouabache State Park’s Rustic Oak Shelter. The workshop will take place Saturday, May 13th, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm and is designed for families with youth in grades K-5.

The family nature workshop will provide inspiration and resources for families to gain knowledge, awareness, skills, and an appreciation for nature while experiencing the health benefits of connecting with nature. Participants will rotate through five stations that correspond with the nature topics. These programs will help families identify ways to connect with nature, increase outdoor activities, and strengthen family relationships.

Did you know toothpaste comes from trees? Learning about trees in our environment at the “Tree Talk” station will support curiosity and interest in nature while youth identify parts of a tree and tree species and as they discover “goods from the woods.” Youth will make guesses about what happened to a given tree over the course of its life and will create leaf rubbings.

At the “Chirp, Chirp” station, youth will explore birds and create a bird feeder, encouraging them to observe birds at home and improving bird habitat and nutrition.

Participants will conduct a nature scavenger hunt in which they will identify plants, insects, animals, and other elements such as signs of wildlife. Youth will describe what they see, hear, and feel as they locate the various species.

During the “Garden Surprise” station, youth and their

families will make exploding seed balls and discover where their food comes from.

In addition, families will explore habitats while comparing their neighborhoods and homes to those of woodland creatures and plants.

“Discover Nature’s Playground” is one of six pilot programs held throughout Indiana as an initiative of Purdue University and its Cooperative Extension Service. The event is free. Park admission is not included. More information is available at Purdue Extension—Wells County by calling 260-824-6412 or emailing mhoag@purdue.edu. The Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service is an equal access/equal opportunity institution.

## MORE PAGE 1

For his Viking New Tech senior capstone project, Robby created a website to use as a resource for those needing support in areas such as but not limited to mental illness, suicide and educational opportunities.

This website sites resources that are faith-based, so that he may reach others on several levels.

Robby plans to study graphic arts at Ivy Tech Institute in Fort Wayne this fall.

Andrew Freck is the son of Greg and Melissa Freck.

As a senior at Huntington North, Andrew is ranked 4th in his class of 384 students and he will earn his Academic Honors Diploma. He has taken five AP courses and several dual credit courses while at Huntington North. Andrew has been in the Top 25 of his class all four years and he is a member of National Honor Society.

He is a member of the HNHS Academic Super Bowl team, Chess Club and the Geography Bee. Andrew served as class president in both his junior and senior years at HNHS. As Senior class president, he oversaw the coordination of a community project with LOVE INC. In his Sophomore year at HNHS, Andrew raised over \$500 for the Nation Charity Feeding America by designing and selling t-shirts at school and in the community.

He is an active member of Youth for Christ and volunteers as a leader/mentor at Riverview MS weekly Youth for Christ meetings. Andrew is also a peer tutor for Math and Spanish.

Andrew has served as a page for Indiana State Representative Dan Leonard and he is a 10 year member of the Wayne Township Future Farmer 4-H Club. He is a member of the Mt. Etna United Methodist Church where he participates in youth group. Andrew has

received the Jeff DeHaven Memorial Bowling Scholarship, and the 4-H Community Service Project Award.

Andrew is a former LaFontaine Arts Council Artist of the Month for Communications and was an Edward Jones Student of the Week. Andrew has served as a volunteer at the Dan Quayle Vice Presidential Learning Center where he was a tour guide facilitator and gift shop manager.

Andrew will attend Wabash College in Crawfordsville this fall where he will major in political science.

Brooke is the daughter of Debra and Dennis Spitler of Warren.

At Huntington North, Brooke is a member of the National Honor Society and has been a Scholar Athlete for the past four years.

Brooke will receive an Academic Honors diploma at graduation. She also has participated in the Academic Super Bowl for the past 3 years where she was the English captain for the team. Brooke was the varsity goalie for the Huntington North High School Soccer team. This record for this year’s team was 15-2-1 and Brooke has participated on the varsity soccer team all four years of high school.

She also had participated in the Indiana Elite North vs. South soccer game this past season. Brooke has also

participated in Huntington North Track and Field for three years.

At HNHS, Brooke participated in Concert Choir for four years and was an ISSMA State Finalist for three of those years. She was a Freshman Mentor and served as a Peer Tutor. Brooke is a member of Spanish Club and the Theater Arts program. Brooke attends the Criminal Justice program at Heartland Career Center in Wabash and she is the President of the program. Brooke is a member of SKILLS USA and an Indiana State Officer.

In addition to school activities, Brooke attended Hoosier Girls State last summer. She has

volunteered at the Wabash Youth Center, the Festival of Trees in Knoxville, TN and has participated in Blessings in a Backpack here in Huntington. Brooke has worked at Heritage Pointe with the Evening Activities Department.


Brooke is active with Knight-Bergman Center Basketball and she has played softball with the Warren Baseball/Softball leagues.

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# GENEALOGY REPORT

## DELONG

Barbara A. Delong, 82, of Bluffton, passed away Monday morning, April 24, 2017, at the Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

She was born Jan. 2, 1935, in Dugger to C.J. and Grace Stricker Booker.

She worked at Wayne Metals in Markle and at Cooper Rest Home and West Haven Health Care as certified nurse's aide for 33 years. She was also in a bowling league for Cooper Rest Home.

She lived for watching her grandchildren. Barbara enjoyed going to garage sales, collecting any Elvis memorabilia, and watching Christian programming.

The last of her family, Barbara is survived by four sons, Bill White of Craigville, Mike White and Ricky White, both of Bluffton, and James White of New York; three daughters, Marcy Shie of Fort Wayne, Susan Hourigan of Liberty Center, and Donna Delong of Bluffton; and 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Susan "Ellen" Moorefield; and five brothers, Charlie, Howard, Paul, Ralph, and Bill Booker.

A funeral service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Friday, April 28, at Goodwin-Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton. Pastor Neil Ainslie will officiate. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials to Hospice Home in Fort Wayne or Friends Who Care Cancer Relief Foundation.

## YOUNT

Cynthia Marie Yount, 56, died Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at Parkview Regional Hospital in Fort Wayne.

She was born Aug. 16, 1960, in Wabash. She married Mike Yount on June 4, 2004 in Huntington; he survives in Andrews.

She is survived by two sons, Aaron (Stephanie)



Popplewell and Cody Popplewell, both of Huntington; a brother, Darren (Joyce) Christle; three sisters, Dawn (Jeff) Barnett and Sandra Merriman, both of Indianapolis, and Karen (Tony) Porter of Gas City; her mother, Glenda (Bill) Hartley of Gas City; and three grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her father, Jack Lee.

A service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 29, at Solid Rock United Methodist Church in Warren. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the church. Burial will be in Falls Cemetery in Wabash.

## STEFFEN

Robert L. Steffen, 86, of Bluffton, passed away Friday morning, April 28, 2017, at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

He was born Feb. 1, 1931, in Adams County to Tobias and Hilda B. Rauch Steffen. He married Nova I. Baumgartner July 3, 1949, in Bluffton; she preceded him in death Dec. 31, 2004.

He worked at Sterling Casting for 10 years, Hoosier Condensery, and Franklin Electric for 30 years, retiring in 1991. He attended Kirkland High School and was a member of the Apostolic Christian Church.

Robert was an avid motorcycle rider, having ridden in 48 states. He loved his grandchildren and enjoyed fishing.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. (Donald) Karen Boxell of Warren and Mrs. Ruth (Curtis) Allen of Bluffton; two sisters, Joan Steffen-Elloitt of Bluffton and Mrs. Ramon (Flossie) Stoller of Bluffton; five grandchildren, Jennifer Boxell, Timothy Boxell, Adam (Amber) Boxell, Spencer Allen and Cory Allen; and four great-grandchildren.

A service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 2, at Goodwin-Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel with Lynn Fiechter officiating. Calling hours are Monday, May 1, from 2 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial

will be at the Apostolic Christian Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Friends of Ouabache State Park.

## BLACKMOND

Larry Dale Blackmond, 75, of Warren, IN, died Thursday, April 27, 2017, at 7:25 p.m. at his home in Warren.



Mr. Blackmond was a graduate of Madison Heights High School and retired from General Motors in Fort Wayne after many years of service. He was a member of McNatt United Methodist Church.

He was born Oct. 15, 1941, in Parma, MO, to Robert and Lora Pope Blackmond. He married his wife, Ann, on Aug. 30, 1963, in Anderson; and she survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, William Blackmond and Robert (Anita) Blackmond, both of Frankton; a daughter, Pamela (Steven) Williams, of Monticello; a sister, Anita Green, of Michigan; seven grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Calling is Monday, May 1, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at McNatt United Methodist Church, 9183W-800S-90, Warren. A service of celebration will follow immediately at 1 p.m., with Pastor Bill VanHaften officiating. Cremation will occur at a later date.

Preferred memorials are to McNatt Church Fellowship Hall Fund 8343S-1000W-90, Montpelier, IN 47359 or Family Life Care, 108 S. Jefferson St., Berne, IN 46711.

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

## MERCER

Charlene Mercer, 69, of Bluffton, died Monday, May 1, 2017, at her home.

She was born Oct. 9, 1947, in Obion, Tenn., to Luther and Clara Tunis Jennings. She married Troy W. Mercer in

Ashland, Ky., on May 28, 1968; he preceded her in death on Jan. 20, 2012.

She is survived by two sons, Dan Ocasio of Warren and Jesse Ocasio of Bluffton; two daughters, Mae (Elza) West and Becky (Miles) Fleming, both of Bluffton; a brother, Robert Jennings of Lima, Ohio; a sister, Wanda Poe of Louisa, Ky.; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Wayne Ocasio.

Family and friends may gather from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, May 4, at Goodwin-Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton.

## BECK

Ansel E. Beck, 93, formerly of Ossian, passed away early Monday morning, May 1, 2017, at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Born in Allen County on July 10, 1923, to John E. and Effie Woods Beck, Ansel married Ruth A. Stahl in Baltimore, Md., on Aug. 5, 1944; she preceded him in death on Sept. 9, 1999.

Ansel graduated from Ossian High School and served in the U.S. Navy on the battleship USS Langfit during World War II, from 1943 until 1946. For many years he was a driver for Gerber Dairy in Bluffton, then later worked at Royal Lace Doilies in Fort Wayne. He eventually retired from Tuthill Pump Corporation in Fort Wayne in November 1988.

He was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 600 of Waynedale, Decatur Masonic Lodge 571 F&AM, in which he had just recently received his 50 year pin, and the American Legion Post 111 of Bluffton. He had also been a past member of the Tocsin United Methodist Church until its closing.

Survivors include four sons, John (Mary) Beck of Crossville, Tenn., Richard "Dick" (Paula) Beck of Bluffton, Ernie (Patti) Beck of Craigville, and Les (Stephanie) Beck of Fort Wayne; a daughter, Pamela

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(Mike) Grabner of Monroeville; a brother, Verlin Beck of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren; one step-grandchild; 10 great-grandchildren; and two step great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife, Ansel was preceded in death by an infant son, Donald Dewayne Beck, and a brother, Halden Dean Beck.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, May 5, at Goodwin-Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton, with an Eastern Star memorial service beginning immediately following visitation at 7 p.m., followed by a Masonic memorial service. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 6, at the funeral home, with one hour of visitation prior to the service. Rev. Devon Strine will officiate. Burial will be at Prairie View Cemetery in Tocsin with military graveside rites provided by the American Legion Post 111 in conjunction with the U.S. Navy.

Memorial contributions may be given to Family LifeCare or the organization of the donor's choice.

### PETERSON

William Reed "Bill" Peterson, 70, of Fishers, IN, and having family members in Huntington, IN, died Thursday, April 27, 2017, at

8:25 p.m. at IU Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis. Mr. Peterson graduated from Van Buren High School in 1964 and attended Ball State University, in Muncie. He retired in 2008 as a trucking executive, having worked for several trucking companies including Hi-Way Dispatch, in Marion, where he was senior vice president. After retirement, he worked as a consultant until 2015.

He was born in Muncie to B.J. and Sara Shafer Peterson. He married Cheryl M. Pulley on Sept. 9, 1967, and she survives.

Additional survivors include three daughters, Susan (Brad) Morgan, of Kokomo; Catharine (Marnell) White, of Fishers; and Jennifer (Scott Whitton) Peterson, of Huntington; a brother, David (RuthAnn) Peterson; three sisters, Katie (Steve) Smith, Nancy Peterson and Barbara Peterson; eight grandchildren, Jacqueline (Nicholas) Grider, Meagan (Charles) Hayley, Matthew Morgan, Sara White, Alex White, Christopher Jones, Mark Jones and A.J. Jones; and two great-grandchildren.

Calling is Wednesday, May 3, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with a service following at 1 p.m., at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion. Brian Osner will officiate. Burial will be at Grant Memorial Park.

Memorial gifts may be made to the National MPS Society, designated for research, PO Box 14686, Durham, NC 27709 or Riley Foundation Endowment in honor of Dr. Wappner, in care of Riley Children's Foundation, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

### LANTZ

Elsie M. Lantz, 83, of Huntington, IN, died Thursday, April 27, 2017, at 11 a.m. at Norwood Health and Rehabilitation, in Huntington.

Ms. Lantz graduated from high school and worked in manufacturing. She was a member of The Salvation Army of Huntington County.

She was born Oct. 30, 1933, in Huntington to Henry and Dora Stenzel.

Survivors include a son, Robert (Carol) Harlan Jr., of Warren; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, May 7, 2017, at 5 p.m. at The Salvation Army of Huntington County, 1424 E. Market St., Huntington. Burial will be at a later date at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Huntington County.

Bailey-Love Mortuary, Huntington, is in charge of arrangements.

### SCHNEPF

Dr. Roger Howard Schnepf, 88, of Huntington, IN, died Saturday, April 29, 2017.

Dr. Schnepf graduated from Decatur (IN) High School in 1948 and served in the United States Army. He earned a bachelor's degree from Hanover College, a master's degree from Ball State University and a doctorate from Purdue University.

He began his career in education as a high school history teacher in Hudson, MI. He served as an assistant principal in Richmond, high school principal in Lowell and superintendent of schools in Noblesville. He was named superintendent of the Huntington County Community Schools in 1972, serving in that position until his retirement.

He was born Nov. 18, 1928, in Alvord, IA, to William and Stella Schnepf. He married Greta Marguerite Erekson in 1956, and she preceded him in death after 60 years of marriage.

Survivors include a daughter, Julie (Kent) Farnsworth, of Fort Wayne; a son, Eric (Tara) Schnepf, of Dallas, TX; a sister; and four grandchildren, Emma Catherine Farnsworth, Lee Matthew Farnsworth, Lily Margaret Farnsworth and William Roger Schnepf.

Calling is Saturday, May 6, 2017, from 10 a.m. to noon, with a memorial service following at noon, at the Myers Funeral Home Huntington Chapel, in Huntington.

Memorial gifts may be made to Visiting Nurse and Hospice in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford St., Huntington, IN 46750.

### PERCY

Evelyn "Nora Lee" Percy, 81, of Marion, IN, and having family members in Warren, IN, died Monday, May 1, 2017, at 5:25 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

She was born in Nickelsville, VA, to Teddy and Cornie Campbell Powers. She married Warren E. Percy on Sept. 28, 1968, and he

preceded her in death on April 18, 2014.

Survivors include five children, Lyvonne Nightenhelser, of Warren; Justin (Kathy) Burke, of Gas City; Randy Burke, of Wabash; Sandy (Kim) Burke, of Converse; and Sheila (Dan) O'Keefe, of St. Louis, MO; a sister, Clarice (John) Puckett, of Dungannon, VA; two brothers, Henry (Pat) Powers, of Nickelsville, VA and Darrell (Jeanette) Powers, of Dungannon, VA; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Calling is Thursday, May 4, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with a service following at 1 p.m., at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion. Rev. Mark Helm will officiate. Burial will be at Grant Memorial Park.

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

### KORPORAL

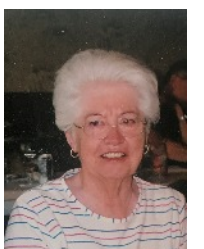
Barbara C. Korporal, 82, of Van Buren, IN, passed away at 9:40 PM on

Monday, April 24, 2017 at Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN.

She was born on Saturday, July 14, 1934, in Grant County, IN. She married Merritt Korporal on Sunday, April 17, 1955 in Grant County, IN; together the two of them just celebrated their 62nd year of marriage. Barbara was a graduate of Marion High School. She formerly worked at Dennison's Market, Dairy-O Grocery and Randy's Appliance.

Survivors include: Husband - Merritt Korporal, Van Buren, IN, Son - Pete (Diana) Korporal, Van Buren, IN, Son - Frank Korporal, Gas City, IN, Daughter - Peggy (Leonard) Hensley, Losantville, IN, Brothers - Gerald (Joyce) Rudicel, Jr., Marion, IN, Ronald (Becky) Rudicel,

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She was preceded in death by her: Father - Gerald Rudicel, Sr., Mother - Doris Alred Rudicel and Brother - Charles Rudicel.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home 201 N Main Street Van Buren on Thursday, April 27, 2017 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

A service to celebrate Barbara's life will be at Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home at 10:30 AM on Friday, April 28, 2017 with Rev. Howard Clayton officiating. Interment will follow in the Van Buren Cemetery in Van Buren.

Preferred memorials: Alzheimer's Association 50 East 91st St, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

Arrangements are being handled by Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home in Van Buren.

### GARCIA

Maria G. Garcia, 76, of Fort Wayne, IN, passed away at 1:18 AM on Friday, April 21, 2017 at the Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.



She was born on Sunday, May 5, 1940. Maria enjoyed listening to music and cooking. She loved getting the opportunity to go to Texas to see her family.

Loving survivors include: 3 Daughters - Ann Narvaiz, Benita Ortiz and Judy Perez, all of Texas, 10 Grandchildren, 28 Great Grandchildren and 1 Gr. Gr. Grandchild, Sister - Lily Farias, Texas, Brother - Joe Gonzalez, Decatur, IN, Sister - Susie Perez, Ft. Wayne, IN and Sister - Nellie Ridsen, Noblesville, IN.

She was preceded in death by her: Father - Ralph Gonzalez, Mother - Conception (Bustos) Gonzalez, Sister - Vera Rameriz, Brother - Mike Gonzalez and Brother - Charley Gonzalez.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home 203 N Matilda St. Warren on Saturday, April 29, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. A service to celebrate Maria's life will follow at 1:00 PM on Saturday, April 29, 2017 with her brother-in-law-Pastor Mike Ridsen officiating. Interment will follow in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren.

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

### AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP

Beta Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma proudly announces Brooke Trice as our 2017 scholarship recipient.



Brooke will graduate from Huntington North High School and plans to attend Grace College to pursue a career in Criminal Justice. She is the daughter of Dennis and Debra Spitler and the late Patrick Trice.

Beta Delta would like to thank everyone who applied and wish you all well in your college careers.

### HP SPORTS REPORT

Heritage Pointe winners week of April 28, 2017.

Congratulations to co-winners this week: Isabel Griffith and Wilma Lee, and Bob Slusser and Jim Lee for the week. Good luck to all for the coming week.

No Wi-Fi bowling again this week.

### SENIOR GOLF

Thursday April 27th Senior Golf League Results:

1st Place : John Jones, Dan Paulson, Ez Harris, Dave Scheib posted a -4 score of 32

2nd Place : Harold Williams, Bob Price, John Morrison posted a -4

score of 32

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Closest to pin #6 winner : Keith Duckwall

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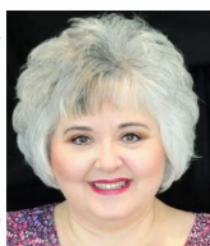


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