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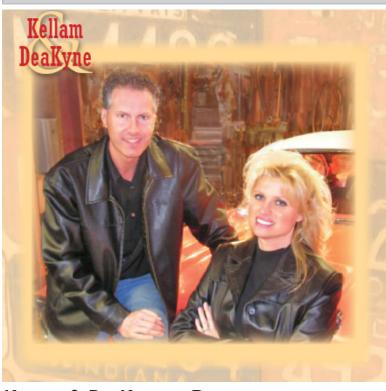
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Thought for the Week: If both of us thought alike, one of us would not be necessary. Timothy Katzenburg



#### KELLAM & DEAKYNE TO PERFORM

The LaFontaine Arts Council will continue the 2007 season of "Parlor Music Concerts" at Myers Ice Cream Parlor in Huntington with Kellam & DeaKyne on Friday, August 31st at 6:30 P.M. on the lawn at Myers Ice Cream Parlor, located at 2807 Theater Avenue in Huntington.

Entering their fifth year as a duo and performing songs from the 50's to today, Kellam and DeaKyne will warm your heart and bring back some good memories singing a variety of music including classics, love songs, country, oldies, gospel and Motown. This duo has a genuine passion for music that is generated in every performance. Tom Kellam began his singing at the age of four with his family "The Kellams" and toured for 28 years. Shelbia DeaKyne began singing at an early age also. She continued on through high school with the show choir and after that with The God Squad, a youth music group. On August 31st, Shelbia's daughter Ashley and Tom's sons, Ryan and Colton will be joining in the concert adding even more variety to the performance!

The remaining concert for the season will be September 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:00p.m, Joe Thomas, Pianist.

All the concerts take place on the lawn at Myers' Ice Cream Parlor. Attendees are encouraged to bring a chair/blanket and enjoy food and/or ice cream treats at the Parlor. Questions regarding the concert should be directed to Debbie Dyer at 260/358-0055 or 356-8874. A freewill offering is taken after each concert with proceeds supporting the annual scholarship and the "Arts In Education Series" which provides in-school arts programming sponsored by the LaFontaine Arts Council.

Donate Blood -- The Life you save may be your own

#### MARKET REPORT

The local Farmers Market is still having a nice supply of fresh garden produce and fruits. Some of the items available are corn, melons, summer squash, egg plant, tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, still have a few peaches and blueberries, apples are coming in, baked goods, pop corn, honey, jams and jelly, fresh frozen beef, pork and breaded tenderloins.

The market will continue as long as the produce is plentiful. We will keep you updated on this

The vendors have had a very good season and they all thank you for shopping the Farmers Market.

#### **QUILT SHOW**

There is still time to enter the quilt show at the Artisanfest September 14 & 15 at the Knight Bergman Center.

Classifications for entry are hand quilted or machine quilted, appliqué in any size. Also categories for wearable and accessories, wall hanging and home deco.

Your work may be entered in a judged class or you may enter for display only.

There is also a category for antique quilts for display only. This we would like to have a bit of history about the quilt. For more information contact Ruth Herring 260 375 3329 or by email rquiltshow@webtv.net

We would like your help in making the quilt show even better than last year; although it was a very well responded to.

This year we have added some workshops for your quilting interest and will have some quilt related vendors. Please watch the Warren Weekly for more updates on the activities.

#### CANCELLED

The Southern Wells Cheerleader Fish & Chicken Fry listed in last week's paper for August 30 has been cancelled.

#### **BOOK SIGNING**

Pass in Review is a collection of real-life personal stories drawn from World War II by Dr. Donald H Ping. Dr Ping served in the Pacific during the war with the 37th Infantry Division. His tour of combat duty overseas lasted for 22 months. After the war he served as secretary and historian for his artillery battalion. During this time he interviewed former army buddies and collected their stories which he has now compiled in one book. These accounts help answer the question often asked, "What was it like?" Hopefully his efforts will help preserve a little bit of history that should be remembered by everyone.

Most stories come out of the artillery, some from the infantry, all spanning 42 months. Stories of bullets, bombs and boredom, trials of military duty, fear by day and night, longing forhome, humor in privation — are all told in autobiographies, biographies, and oral accounts.

His books will be autographed on Saturday, September 15 in the Warren Public Library from 10 am to 2 pm, being offered for \$19 which includes sales tax. This is Dr Ping's second book. The first, *The Smoking War*, and still available, was an autobiography covering his military service.

Dr Ping can be reached by email: donaldping@gmail.com; tel: 260.375.2323 or by snail mail: PO Box 495, Warren, IN 46792.



#### BATTLE FOR BLOOD

Firefighters, police officers and emergency workers will face off in a "Battle for Blood" in September. Area firefighters and police officers are asking members of the community to join them in donating blood.

The second annual "Battle for Blood" will take place on Thursday, Sept. 6, from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the First Church of the Nazarene. The First Church of the Nazarene is located at 1555 Flaxmill Rd. in Huntington. All presenting donors will receive a t-shirt.

If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to give blood. There is no upper age limit on blood donation. Please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) to schedule your blood donation appointment.

Together, we can save a life.

Pictured above: Front row: Chief Lee Poulson Warren Fire, Brian Topp EMA & Andrews Fire, Chief Chad Taylor Roanoke Fire, Phil Zahm Rescue. The second row: Chief Duane Brumbaugh Markle Fire, Dan Jordan Markle Fire, Brandon Taylor EMA & Roanoke Fire, Chief Mark Sale Mt. Etna Fire, Chief Jerry Helvie Bippus Fire, Mike Crago Rescue, Chief Tom Wuensch Andrews Fire.

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Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637 WARREN WEEKLY will make every effort to see that all advertising copy is correctly printed. The firm assumes no financial responsibility for typographical errors in advertising, but will gladly reprint without charge that part in which an error may occur, provided that it is reported within five days of publication. The publisher takes no responsibility for statements or claims made in any

### KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

#### AND, THE PROBLEM REMAINS

Today we read, hear and watch on the tube about all of the problems Indiana has with real and personal property taxes. In case you are too young to remember or maybe in a situation where it didn't mean anything to you, let me give an incite into how long and how big this problem has been for many years and how the General Assembly has tried to correct, adjust and tweak this huge problem. This problem should be no surprise to anyone who has been looking. Short term temporary and politically correct solutions have not worked and will not today.

We have traveled this road many times before. The only difference now is that procrastination has made the problem worse and more difficult. During Governor Bowen's administration the problem was recognized. School finance was the big obstacle. School finance is the largest user of the property tax revenue. Now, it is pretty well agreed that it is imperative that we attack and solve the property tax now. We can't afford temporary, short term solutions.

Back 40 years ago the General Assembly made a big step in trying to solve the P-T problems. They froze the levy on public schools. Now that was a valiant move but with salaries, fringe benefits, insurance cost, transportation, etc, costs growing each year, after a two year freeze they decided that it was too severe and they allowed a thaw. Oh, not much, but they allowed a thaw of about 5%, and they followed this pattern for a few years. They tried equalization formula adjustments and other haphazard measures, but the problem continued to grow.

They knew that they needed more revenue, but where would it be collected? No one wanted their ox to be gored. No one really wanted to bring up the subject. Therefore, it was passed around for a few terms and the problem continued to grow.

But then because everybody else was doing it, it was deemed that Indiana should gamble. Oh, not much, just a little, for they felt that gambling was a bit immoral and so they decided to be a little bit pregnant and have a lottery and most of the proceeds would go to relieve property taxes.

Oh, Whoa is me, our desires grew faster than the gambling revenues were coming in. And what do you know folks, we decided that we would gamble more, and more, and more and well you know the rest of that story. Now Indiana is one of the leading states in the Good Ole 50 in gambling revenue. A few years ago we struggled to even consider it; now we are one of the leaders.

Now comes good ole 2007. Surprise, surprise, we have a problem so large now that hundreds of people have decided to march on the General Assembly, City Halls, court houses and town meetings to get the attention of the powers that be. One court house has posted police guard to protect the county officers. Are you kidding me???

What is the solution??

- A few rules to remember:
- The only revenue that any government has, and that includes the schools, is revenue (money) taken from its citizens.
- 2. The State of Indiana is finally "in charge" of all government
- 3. The State of Indiana and its offices, control, have final approval and audits all local governments and school.
- 4. No local budget is approved without final approval coming from
- 5. The State of Indiana sets the rules, makes the monetary distribution and determines who gets what.

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Youth Choir Practice ...... 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study ......6:30 p.m.

Thurs. Kings Kids ......6:30 p.m.

BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.

CWF Ladies (3 Tue) ......6:00 p.m.

1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

**BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST** 

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor

Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday Worship ...... 9:30a.m.

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH** 

Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199

Pastor Anna Kroencke

Youth Minister Lynne Payne

Worship ......9:30 a.m.

Sunday School ......10:40 a.m.

Bible Study, Wednesday......10:00 a.m.

Youth Fellowship Sun ......6:00 p.m.

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Tuesday Eve. Bible Study .....6:30 p.m.

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Dick Case, Pastor

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**HERITAGE POINTE** 

Sunday Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.

OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT

WARREN UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor

Sunday School ......9:30 a.m.

Worship ......10:30 a.m.

Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

..9:00 a.m.

Wed - Circle of Friends

Tues. Thurs. Fri & Sat

Chapel Services ......

....6:30 p.m.

Worship ...... 9:30 a.m.

Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship

# HERITAGE

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

Clyde Gunn, Pastor Bus Service 375-2510 Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. 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.

> **JEFFERSONCENTER UNITED METHODIST** Corner of 900S & 300W Kathy Newton, Pastor

Sunday School .....8:45 a.m. Worship Service ......10:00 a.m. **LANCASTERWESLEYAN** 

#### 468-2411 Doug Sharrard, Pastor

David Thrift, S.S. Supt. Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. Worship ......10:30 a.m. Wednesday:

CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings .... 7:00 p.m. Sunday School ...... 10:30a.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH 694-6622

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

#### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Dan Helm, Pastor Morning Worship ......9:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Service ......6:00 p.m. Sunday School .......10:45 a.m.

#### McNATT UNITED METHODIST 375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt. Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Coffee Fellowship.......8:30 a.m. Sunday School......9:30a.m. Worship ......9:15 a.m. 

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST 260/468-2148

Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor Trad. Worship ...... 9:00 a.m. Mdrn Worship ...... 10:30 a.m. 1st Worship......9:00 a.m. Fellowship & Classes ....... 9:30 a.m. 2nd Worship......10:30 a.m. Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies - all Sunday ..... 6:00 p.m.

**MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN** Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. Worship ......10:30 a.m.

...6:00 p.m. Mid-Week (Wed) .... THE NEW BEGINNING SR 218 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto Steve Sutton, Pastor

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

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

#### **SALAMONIE CHURCHOF BRETHREN** 468-2412

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

#### 375-2102 Rev. Rick Pulling, Interim Pastor Sunday Worship...... 9:30 a.m. Junior Church ...... 10:00 a.m. Sunday School ...... 10:30 a.m. Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays ...6:00p.m. **VBCHURCHOFTHENAZARENE** 765/934-3321 Parsonage

Jeff Wass, Pastor 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.

#### VBUNITED METHODIST CHURCH 765-934-1431

Pastor Blake J. Neff Worship Service ...... 9:30 a.m. Sunday School ...... 10:30a.m. Jr/Sr High UMYF (Sun)...... 6:30 p.m. Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:30 p.m. UMW 2nd Wed ...... 7:00 p.m. www.vanburenumc.org

#### WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Todd Winkler, Youth Minister Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt. Fellowship ......9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion ......9:30 a.m. Sunday School ......10:45 a.m. WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH

#### Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts. Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of

Preaching and Discipleship Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life

Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt. Sunday School ......9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship ......10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00p.m. WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren

Rev. Andy Trowbridge, Pastor Wesley Welch, Supt.

Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. Worship ......10:15 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service..7:00p.m.

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### AREA NEWS

#### HOMESCHOOL GROUP

There is a new homeschool group starting on Tuesday, August 28th, from 1:30–3:30 p.m. at Hanfield Methodist Church. The group will have activities for all ages such as field trips, guest speakers, special events for different occasions, play time, fellowship and support, and more. Please call Mary Peiffer at 765.934.9425 for further information. The group will meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

#### **COUNCIL NOTES**

The Warren Town Council met on Monday evening, August 13, in Assembly Hall. President Bill Cartwright conducted the meeting which opened at 6:30 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Council approved minutes as submitted.

A citizen in attendance asked about upcoming tax rates locally. They were informed the rates are not known at this time.

Council agreed to storage of the 1926 REO in the former Eckman building on First Street.

Council also agreed to the sale of town owned vehicles. The items are to be advertised.

IACT Roundtable meeting is scheduled to be held in Warren September 25 at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center.

A residence at 612 Railroad Street is scheduled for demolition. Council agreed to support local update of Census 2010.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison gave the July Financial report and 2008 Budget Calendar.

Curtis Day gave a report from the Utility/Street Departments. He gave quotes for paving. Council awarded the contract to Brooks Construction.

Quotes for the purchase of a skid loader were from Bobcat, New Holland and McCallister. Council accepted the Bobcat bid. Fire Chief Lee Poulson gave the July activity report. He noted the new sign is up at the Fire Station. Parkview will pay one-half of the cost

Council granted permission for the Department to change the by-laws concerning new members.

The Department is sponsoring a Golf Outing September 8.

Town Marshal Dennis Spitler presented Council with the July activity report.

Park Board members are scheduled to meet September 10.

Council members had received a press release from IACT.

The next regular Council meeting will be August 27.

#### DIET AND CANCER

Blackford County Purdue Extension is sponsoring a lesson called, Diet and Cancer. Find out what researchers are concluding about the role of diet and the influence that leads to illness. Find out what antioxidants and phytochemicals are and what they do to you and your family. Learn about the diet/disease connection. This lesson will be presented by Kristi Henry, CFS Extension Educator for Blackford and Jay County. Cost is \$1.00. The program will be Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex Meeting Room, 119 N High, Hartford City.

To make reservations, please call the Blackford County Extension Office 765.348.3212 by September 14, 2007.

#### CHICKEN NOODLE DINNER

Blackford County 4-H & Open Fairboard, Inc. will host a Chicken & Noodle Dinner on Sunday, September 16, 2007

11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the Blackford County 4-H Building, 310 Park Ave., Hartford City, Indiana.

For more information call: 765-348-3213

Menu will include - Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Roll & Butter, Green Beans, Dessert & Beverage

Cost: \$6.00 adults (12 years and older), \$4.00 youth (6-11 years) and Children 5 and under –FREE!

Tickets are available from Fairboard members, at the Purdue Cooperative Extension Office and at the door the day of the dinner.

#### LEADER NEEDED

Indiana 4-H and the Department of Natural Resources will be hosting a 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training, September 7-9, Ross Camp near Lafayette.

Individuals 18 and older are invited to attend the training and become certified instructors in one of seven areas.

The specific disciplines include: Archery, Hunting, Muzzleloading, Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun and Coordinator.

Registration for the training is \$125.00. This fee will be sponsored by Wells County 4-H if you plan to help with the Wells County 4-H Program in 2008. Additional training sessions in 2008 will include March 30-April 1, 2007.

For more information and a registration form, contact the Wells County office of the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service, 1240 S. 4-H Road, Bluffton, IN 46714 260-824-6412.

#### RED CROSS READY

In honor of September being National Preparedness Month, take the time to help your community by becoming Red Cross Ready. You can Be Red Cross Ready by following three simple steps: get a kit, make a plan and be informed.

In preparation for an emergency, put together a kit consisting of supplies you may need in a disaster, such as food, water, clothes, medicines and a flashlight. Include in your plan the role each person in your family or organization will play in response to a disaster. To continually update your kit and plan, stay informed of community disaster responses and communicate to loved ones your own disaster plan.

Giving blood is another way to help your community Be Red Cross Ready. Your blood donation helps ensure that blood supply levels are steady for whatever emergency or disaster situation arises.

If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. All donors need to present positive identification. For more information or to schedule your blood donation appointment, call 1.800.GIVE.LIFE(1.800.448.3543).

### Screening Coming

#### TO WARREN

Residents living in and around the Warren community can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke, heart attack or bone fracture. Life Line Screening will be at the Knight Bergman Center on September 6<sup>th</sup>. The site is located at 132 Nancy Street in Warren. Appointments will begin at 9:00 a.m.

According to the NHLBI (National Heart Lung Blood Institute), "one in every 20 Americans over the age of 50 has peripheral arterial disease or P.A.D. It develops when arteries in your legs become clogged with plaque - fatty deposits that limit blood flow to your legs. Just like clogged arteries in the heart, clogged arteries in the legs mean you are at risk for having a heart attack or stroke. You can lower your risk for P.A.D. Timely detection and treatment of P.A.D. can improve the quality of your life; help you keep your independence and mobility; and reduce your risk of heart attack, stroke, leg amputation, and even death."

Screening is one method of detection. Life Line Screening uses painless ultrasound technology to examine the arteries in the legs and arms, carotid arteries in the neck and the abdominal aorta. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women.

All four screenings take less than an hour to complete. The cost for a Wellness Package of all four screenings (including free osteoporosis screening) is \$129.

Life Line Screening was established in 1993, and has since become the nation's leading provider of preventive screenings.

For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call

1.800.697.9721. Pre-registration is required.

#### **New Books**

New materials received at the Warren Public Library recently include:

Adult fiction – Cassidy by L Wick; The Dead Don't Lie by S Kaminsky; A Light to My Path by L Austin; The Widow's Mate by R McInerny; Kingdom Come by LaHaye; Starburst by R Pilcher; Still Summer by J Mitchard; Hard Row by M Maron; A Tendering in the Storm by J Kirkpatrick; Breaking Free by L Snelling.

Nonfiction – Parenting Without Fear; Hard Call by J McCain; Knit Together by D Macomber.

#### **UPCOMING CRAFT SHOW**

The Blackford County Extension Homemakers would like to invite you to sell your crafts at their Annual Holiday Craft Bazaar on Saturday, November 3, 2007, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Blackford County 4-H Building. Tables will be reserved on a first reserved-first served basis. There will be a charge of \$10.00 per table and you can reserve no more than 3 tables. Call 765.348.3213 or stop in at Purdue Extension Office of Blackford County, 119 North High Street, Hartford City, to request an application. Deadline is September 20, 2007.

#### **OUTSTANDING SUPPORT**

On August 16, 2007, the American Red Cross Blood Services, Indiana-Ohio Region, hosted its Annual Meeting and Recognition Event at the Marriott Hotel in Fort Wayne. The highlight of the event was the presentation of the American Red Cross Partnership Awards.

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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 cancelled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Aug 27 Aug 31 Warren Recycle Day LABORDAY Sep 3 Warren Chamber of Commerce, noon, Assembly Sep 5 Hall Sep 5 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Sep 9 **GRANDPARENTS DAY** Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Sep 10 Sep 11 Knight Bergman Board Meeting, 5:30 at KBC Warren Recycle Day Sep 14 Sep 14-16 Artisanfest, downtown Warren Van Buren Town Council, 7 Sep 23 **FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN** Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Sep 24 Warren Recycle Day Sep 28 Warren Chamber of Commerce, noon, Assembly Oct 3 Oct 3 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m, Assembly Hall Oct 8

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC Depression Support Group 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus

**COLUMBUS DAY** 

Oct 8

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The Partnership Awards recognize the invaluable work of the chapters, hospitals and sponsors that support the Indiana-Ohio Region. Their active role and faithful support in the collection of blood products helped to make this year a success.

The American Red Cross of Huntington County was the Chapter Partnership Award winner. The Chapter is a great asset to the blood program and assists with blood drives by distributing posters in different communities and finding volunteers to run canteen and reception.

During the meeting other awards were presented, including the Outstanding Blood Donor, **Outstanding Volunteer Service** and the Growing By Leaps and Bounds Awards. The following Huntington County residents and business were recognized.

The Outstanding Blood Donor Award recognizes the individual in each county served by the Indiana-Ohio Region who had the highest donation frequency in Fiscal Year 2007. If there was a tie for highest frequency in a county, the donor with a combination of highest donation frequency and highest lifetime donations was recognized.

John Thompson, who has donated 70 units in his lifetime and seven times this past year.

The Outstanding Volunteer Service Award recognizes the countless Red Cross volunteers at blood drives, donations centers and local Red Cross chapters who serve the community.

Sue Smith, who has volunteered well over 1000 hours in 18 years of service.

The Growing By Leaps and Bounds Award recognizes the blood drive sponsors that have increased the units of blood donated at their blood drives by at least 30 percent or who have increased the number of blood drives they host in the last year.

Our Sunday Visitor, which achieved an 85% increase in blood donations last year.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a blood drive sponsor, you can contact the American Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543). Together, we can save a life.

#### OVER THE LIMIT **UNDER ARREST**

With thousands of people expected to travel on Indiana's roadways this Labor Day holiday, law enforcement will be out enforcing the state's impaired driving laws. Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) Executive Director, Mike Cunegin announced today that approximately 250 law enforcement agencies funded by ICJI, will conduct sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols in order to detect and ultimately arrest impaired drivers.

"We are not deploying this statewide crackdown to discourage individuals from having a good time while celebrating the holiday," said Cunegin. "We want to strongly urge anyone who plans to consume alcohol to act responsibly and to designate a sober driver before they begin to drink."

According to data released yesterday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), in 2006, Indiana ranked eighth in the nation (36%) for having the lowest percentage of 0.01 or higher alcohol-related fatalities. In 2006, Indiana showed a three-percent (247) decrease in crashes involving a driver who had a BAC of 0.08 or higher.

"It saddens me that those 247 deaths were entirely preventable had the motorist who drank simply not have gotten behind the wheel," said Ryan Klitzsch, Traffic Safety division director at ICJI.

Impaired driving is one of America's deadliest crimes. In fact, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), in 2005, more than 16,800 citizens lost their lives in alcohol-related traffic crashes. Of those fatalities nearly 13,000 involved an impaired driver or motorcycle operator with an illegal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher.

"We are proud to partner with law enforcement and the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving during this high visibility crackdown to reduce the number of people that are tragically killed and injured by drunk drivers," said Kitty Greene, executive director, Indiana Mothers Against Drunk Driving "Drunk driving is a serious public

health issue that affects all

Hoosiers. It is particularly sad to

see its negative impact on young people," said State Health Commissioner Judy Monroe, M.D. "According to the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, two-thirds of fatally injured children were riding with drivers who were under the influence of alcohol. We owe it to the young people of this state to make our roads safer."

The national "Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest." enforcement crackdown is a comprehensive impaired driving initiative organized by the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The campaign combines high-visibility enforcement with heightened public awareness through intense advertising and publicity.

The Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving reminds everyone:

Be responsible and don't risk it ... you will be caught.

If you plan to drink, choose a designated driver before going

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The Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving serves as the public opinion catalyst and the implementing body for statewide action to reduce death and injury on Indiana roadways. The Council provides grant funding, training, coordination and ongoing support to state and local traffic safety advocates.

#### **DNR YOUTH HUNTING**

Two youth free hunting weekends will be offered this year, Sept. 1-2 and Nov. 24-25. Any resident age 15 years or younger on the date of the hunt, and accompanied by an adult of at least 18 years of age, can take any legal game in season during these youth free hunting weekends.

Young Hoosiers can hunt squirrel or migratory birds such as Canada goose, teal or mourning dove during the first weekend. Seasons open during the second weekend include deer, grouse, quail, rabbit, coyote, raccoon and pheasant.

The youth hunter does not have to possess a hunting license, HIP number or any stamp but must comply with all other hunting regulations.

An accompanying adult must be in close enough proximity in order to monitor communicate with the youth hunter at all times and may assist the youth hunter, including calling, but may not carry a firearm or bow and arrow. The accompanying adult must possess a valid hunting license, unless exempted from needing a

2007 Youth Deer Hunting

A youth deer hunting season will take place Sept. 29 and 30, 2007. Any youth age 15 years or younger on the date of the hunt, and accompanied by an adult of at least 18 years of age, can take one antlerless deer during this special youth deer season.

This deer is in addition to any deer taken during any other season. While the accompanying adult cannot take a deer when in the field with the youth hunter, both the youth and the adult must wear hunter orange.

The youth hunter must possess a valid youth hunting license, which includes the completion of a hunter education class, but the accompanying adult does not need to possess a hunting license while in the field with the youth hunter.

The youth hunter must comply with all deer hunting regulations including wearing hunter orange, tagging the deer and checking it in to a deer check station within 48 hours of the take. The youth hunter may use a legal shotgun, rifle, muzzleloader, bow and arrow, or crossbow to take the deer, but may possess only one type of equipment to take a deer while in the field. The accompanying adult cannot possess a firearm, muzzleloader, bow and arrow, or crossbow while in the field with the youth hunter.

2008 Spring Youth Turkey Hunting Season

A youth wild turkey season will take place April 19 and 20, 2008. It will allow a youth turkey hunter, 15 years old or younger to take a bearded or male wild turkey. The youth must be accompanied by an adult of at least 18 years of

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### GENEALOGY REPORT & OTHER NEWS

#### SILLS

Treva Louise Sills, 96, of Warren, died at 3:05 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13, 2007, at Heritage Pointe. Born in Grant County to Jesse and Elizabeth (Welch) Boxell on January 6, 1911, Mrs. Sills married Cletus Sills; he preceded her in death on Jan. 25, 1971.

Mrs. Sills was a homemaker and member of Antioch Church in Van Buren.

Surviving relatives include one sister, Mary Maxine Collins of Bluffton; one niece and two nephews. Mrs. Sills was also preceded in death by one brother, Jesse W. Boxell Jr., and one sister, Pauline Custard.

Funeral services were held at the Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton.

Preferred memorials are to the Riley Children's Hospital.

#### SHEETS

Brandon Dean Sheets, newlyborn infant, of Bluffton, died at 2:11 p.m. Tuesday, August 14, 2007, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. Brandon was born to Troy and Angela (Sisson) Sheets on August 14, 2007.

Other surviving relatives include his twin brother, Owen Matthew Sheets; grandparents, Rex and Sharon Sisson of Warren and Jerry and Barb Sheets of Bluffton; and great-grandparents Dean and llene Kern of Bluffton.

Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home arranged private family services with Larry Sprinkle officiating. Burial was at Elm Grove Cemetery.

#### To Celebrate 90<sup>™</sup>

An Open House will be hosted for Elizabeth Good by her family, Sunday, September 2 from 2-4 in the Calico Room at Heritage Pointe. Please feel free to drop by and wish her "Happy Birthday." And please, no gifts.

#### **BIRTHS**

Chris and Jayne Smith Ripani of Smyrna, Tennessee are the parents of their second son, Luke Albert. Luke Albert was born August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 at the Baptist Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee. The baby weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. He joins a brother, Eliott Christopher, age 2 ½.

Grandparents are Dr Albert and  $Cathy\,Ripani\,of\,Bloomington, and \qquad September\,1^{st}\,is\,your\,presence.$ Dale and Norma Smith of Warren. Great-grandmother is Jeanette Ripani of Indianapolis.



#### GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Don and Donna Zent of Van Buren will continue to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary by greeting their relatives and friends at an open house hosted by their children and families on September 1, 2007 from 2-5 p.m. at the Central Christian Church in Van Buren.

Don and Donna were married August 25, 1957 in the United Methodist Church in Van Buren by the Rev. J Robert Boggs and Rev Lee Jackson.

They are the parents of Darla (Bret) Ewer of Great Falls, MT and Michael (Peggy) Zent of Goshen, IN. There are four grandsons, Larry D Brown of So. Biloett, IL and Dannon James (Jenny) Brown of Westfield, IN, and Pierce and Parker Zent of Goshen. There are two greatgrandsons, Logan Brown of So. Biloett, IL and Tyler Brown of Westfield. The couple also have two step-granddaughters, Haley (Randall) Brendsal and new greatgranddaughter Camlin Kay of Clarkstown, WA and Jenny Ewer of Billings, MT.

Donna retired in 1999 from **Eastbrook Community Schools** after 30 years as the Athletic Secretary. Don retired from farming in 1982 and from the postal service as a rural carrier in 2000 after 23 years of service. They are both past presidents of the Indiana Rural Carriers and the Auxiliary. Donna is a past matron from the Van Buren Eastern Star and just received her 50 year award. She started  $the\,Van\,Buren\,Happy\,Red\,Hatters$ in 2003 and is a 50 year member of the Gamma Tau Sorority.

Don is a past master of the Van Buren Masonic Lodge and both have held numerous offices in the Christian Church in Van Buren.

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Congratulations to the following door prize winners. If you have not already claimed your prize, do so at our office, 311 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St. by August 31, 2007.

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The youth hunter may use any legal shotgun, bow and arrow, or crossbow. The adult accompanying the youth hunter must not possess a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow while in the field, and does not need to possess a turkey hunting license.

The youth hunter may take only one bearded or male wild turkey during the spring seasons, inclusive of the youth and regular spring turkey seasons. The youth must be properly licensed to take a wild turkey and comply with all tagging and check-in requirements.

A youth turkey hunt will be held at Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge. Youth hunters should send a postcard with their name, address, date of birth and phone number to Big Oaks NWR, 1661 W. JPG Niblo Rd., Madison, IN, 47250 by April 1. Visit the Big Oaks NWR Website at www.fws.gov/midwest/bigoaks for information.

Youth Waterfowl Season

Three weekends (one in each zone) are set outside regular waterfowl hunting season dates to provide a quality hunting experience for young hunters.

2007 Youth Waterfowl Hunting Weekends

- North Zone, Oct. 6-7
- South Zone, Oct. 13,14
- Ohio River Zone, 20,21

Hunters must be 15 years of age or younger and properly licensed to participate. Youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years of age. An adult may accompany more than one youth. The accompanying adult may not hunt waterfowl that day (except snow geese, brant and whitefronted geese where season is open). If the accompanying adult does not intend to hunt and does not posses a firearm, the adult does not need to be licensed. Bag and species limits are the same as those allowed in the regular season.

2008 waterfowl regulations will posted soon www.wildlife.in.gov.

Youth Consolidated Hunting and Fishing License

The youth consolidated hunting and fishing license for those 17 and younger covers more than an annual resident hunting and fishing license. The license also covers the turkey licenses, game bird habitat, Indiana migratory waterfowl, trout/salmon stamp privileges and all deer licenses.

A HIP validation number is required to hunt migratory birds, except during the free youth hunting days.

Federal migratory bird stamps are not covered by the youth license (federal migratory bird

stamps are not required for youth under 16 years old).

Youth hunting licenses are valid for that license year, even if the individual turns 18 during that year. To purchase a hunting license, anyone born after Dec. 31, 1986, must successfully complete a hunter education class offered by the DNR.

Non-resident youth must purchase a non-resident license. However, a non-resident under 18 years of age, who has a parent, grandparent or legal guardian who is a resident of Indiana, may purchase a resident license to hunt, fish or trap in Indiana.

Hunter Education — not just for kids

To purchase a hunting license, anyone born after Dec. 31, 1986, must successfully complete a hunter education class offered by the DNR. Hunters certified in another state or Canada can also present a card or certificate and purchase an Indiana hunting license.

The DNR hunter education program teaches hunter responsibility and ethics, wildlife conservation and management, firearms safety, wildlife identification, game care, survival and first aid.

Hunter education is not just for kids and not just for hunters. The program is for all Hoosiers who enjoy the outdoors and have an interest in conservation. The course can also be an excellent refresher for veteran hunters.

The DNR offers hunter education courses in counties throughout the state. The program takes approximately 10 hours to complete. For information on classes in your area, contact the hunter education office closest to you or visit www.dnr.IN.gov.

Hunter, Trapper and Shooter Recruitment Events

This fall, many Indiana Fish and Wildlife Areas will organize

the

special Hunter, Trapper and Shooter recruitment events, such as youth dove or pheasant hunts and trapping or shooting classes.

Call your favorite FWA for details. Fish and Wildlife Area phone numbers: <a href="http://">http://</a> www.IN.gov/dnr/fishwild/about/ 18areas.htm

Indiana hunting regulations: http://www.IN.gov/dnr/fishwild/ <u>hunt/</u>.



**BY DENNIS STROUD** 

The first five years of 1900, Adam Foust and Frank Young had a shoe shop and jewelry store in the building on the alley where the tavern is now. Frank Young came to Warren in 1892, decided he wanted to be a jeweler and went to work for Charles Wuersten. Four years later, he went into partnership with his father-in-law, Adam Foust. At the outbreak of the world war Frank wanted to get into the service but couldn't enter the military end. He joined the staff of the Y.M.C.A. and was soon overseas where he drove a truck in France. While he was away his stock of jewelry was sold to William V. Rogers. When Mr. Young came home he spent five years in Danville, Illinois and New Orleans where he worked at his trade. In 1924, he came back to Warren and bought back his old store from Mr. Rogers. I might note that William Rogers learned his trade from Charles Wuersten also. Next doorto them, in the same building, was a furniture store run by Abe Shideler and Sam Bowman and

inside that same store Joe Purviance sold pianos.

The buildings between that building and the bank were small wood framed buildings. There was a grocery store run by Elijah Morrison and Wesley Gard. Upstairs, above the grocery, was a photograph gallery. In that same area, Henry Coles had a shoe shop. Next to the bank, was a jewelry store operated by Charles Wuersten. Upstairs, of that store, Tommy Stevenson had a tailor shop. Mr. Stevenson came from a family of tailors. His great grandfather was a tailor, so was his grandfather, and his father. So, too was his uncle, who had nine sons all of whom were tailors. Mr. Stevens started to learn his trade when he was twelve in the northern part of England. When he finished his six years apprenticeship he decided to leave England and come to America in 1891. He worked in several towns before settling in Warren and marrying Ida Roush.

Across the hall from Mr. Stevenson was the dental office of L.B. McCollum, our lady dentist, which I wrote about earlier. On the corner was the Exchange Bank operated by George Good, Lloyd Jones and John Priddy. Upstairs was the real estate office of Thomas Black and Samuel Jackson. Behind the bank was the M.E. Ware Monument Shop.

### 2007 Popcorn Results

Winners in the Big Wheel Race

Age 2 - Malachi Sweat (parents Heather & Eric Korporal), Hannah Puglise (Ed & Leslie Puglise), Araya Tipler (Jerris Tipler)

Age 3-4 - Grace Puglise (Ed & Leslie Puglise) Cora Heaston (Steve & Jody Heaston) Karrlee Bradley (Glenn & Ashley Bradley) Age 5-6 - Alex Jones (Brandon & Lesley Jones) Jacob Clupper (Scott & Stacy Clupper) Latrell Simpson (Art Wilson) Olyvia Wetherington (Kevin & Wendy Wetherington)

In the Pedal Tractor Pull winners were:

30-40#'s - Aidan Stuber, Baneka Simpson, Jaren Clupper

41-50#'s - Olyvia Wetherington, Jade Stuber, Micah Metzger 51-60#'s - Isaac Roush, Klayton Kitts, Cash Suddarth

61-75#'s - Casey Zent, Abbie Gressley, Kesslar Suddarth

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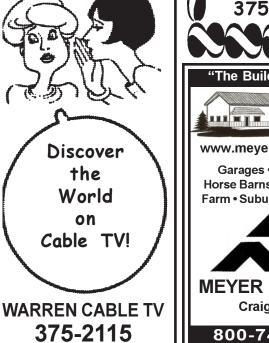
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## WE MISS OUR CRITTERS WHEN WE TRAVEL

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley Traveling is always fun and I get to go more than most. This past mouth I have been on the road, in the air and on the sea. All I can say is that for as much fun traveling is; the homecoming is the best part.

When we pulled up into the driveway we were greeted by the sounds of our three dogs barking to welcome us home. Our little hound dog jumped into the back of the truck after she jumped up on me and wagged her tail. The other two dogs danced on the back deck and could not wait to have a five way rolling puppy fight with the two of us in the middle. They were very happy to see us but not as much as we were to pet them. Our critters become part of our lives. Last year I got the strangest

email from a man in Seattle, Washington. He said, I used to do a Google search on my last name and I always came up first. Now when I do the Google search, your name comes up first; just who are you and what do you do! Come to find out he was a long lost cousin of my husband, Robert Cilley. Brad Cilley is a travel agent, specializing in tours; his company is Northwest Travel Services, http:// www.nwtravel.com/. He was working on a Cilley Family cruise. We told him we would love to be a part of a cruise. We met him last summer in Seattle when he came to one of our FlyFest at a

bookstore. This is when we started

planning the FlyLady Cruise.

We spent a wonderful week cruising to Alaska! I finally got to see a glacier. We traveled with lots of old friends and made many new ones. There was a fun time had by all. The hardest part for me was the lack of internet connectivity but I guess it is time for me let go and have a good time without my computer. If you ever get a chance to see Alaska then do it. Our favorite part was seeing the glaciers up close and flying over them in a float plane. My assistant's favorite part was the sled dogs and all the puppies! Laura and Bruce our dear friends celebrated their 25th anniversary on the Noordam. Laura's favorite part was the fishing trip. Our vet, Clyde Brooks and his wife, Linda and their son Keith were with us on this cruise. Clyde wrote an

amazing book that is about his life of Tending Critters in the Ridges check it out; <a href="http://www.tendingcritters.com/">http://www.tendingcritters.com/</a>. He loves his critters and ours too.

We all had a wonderful time. Tomorrow life gets back to normal; whatever that is! It starts with unpacking our suitcases. Robert's will be very easy to unpack. He wore everything but one short sleeved shirt. His clothes filled one half of a suitcase. My clothing and stuff took over the other three and a half suitcases plus a carry-on with my computer stuff. Tomorrow I will separate what I wore from what I didn't wear and build a new travel Control Journal for myself. I know I can do this. Too many bags make traveling tougher than it needs to be. I am going to simpli-FLY!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out her website and join her free mentoring group at <a href="https://www.FlyLady.net">www.FlyLady.net</a> or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Fireside. Copyright 2007 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

## ENJOYING THE PROCESS OF COOKING

by The Dinner Diva, Leanne Ely One of my beefs (pardon the pun) with fast food is the whole "fast" element of it. I mean, sometimes you need to just get dinner (or whatever meal) done so you can get onto the next thing. But if everything in life is rush rush rush, the beauty of everyday living gets lost in the shuffle. Appreciating the little things, the moments, the meals together...is all but forgotten in the rush to get to yet another destination. Honestly, there is true gratification in procuring, preparing and then eating a nice dinner.

This all happens when you are selecting good produce and other ingredients for that meal, then you're back in the kitchen chopping and smelling the savoriness of onions cooking, listening for the sound of the water boiling for pasta, hearing the sizzle of a steak on the grill... all of these things activate your senses when you take the time to partake in the pleasure of cooking. If you have a significant other, all the better!

The point is we have the ability to transform the mundane into something spectacular and worthy of a little extra time. Not everyday; but sometimes we can afford the time to really enjoy one of the basics in life that we need to do daily-, the preparing of and eating a meal together.

A fellow cookbook author, Terrence Brennan said, "There's

no sanctuary more qualified to restore one's sense of humanity...than time spent around a dinner table with one's family and friends."

To that I say a hearty amen. Look at your calendars and see if there is a day this week or next where you can take the time to prepare a meal with your loved ones in a relaxed and enjoyable way. Then sit down and let the conversation and laughter flow! Life is way too short to be living in the fast food lane all the time.

Here's a great recipe to do together with a friend or loved one and is perfect for these last dog days of summer:

Antipasto Pasta Salad Serves 6-8

1 16-ounce package bow tie pasta — cooked and drained

2 cups spaghetti sauce (your favorite; jarred variety)

½ cup balsamic vinegar ¼ cup olive oil

1 7-ounce jar roasted red peppers—drained and chopped 12¼ ounce jar kalamata olives—drained and pitted

1 8-ounce jar marinated mushrooms—drained

1 6-ounce jar marinated artichoke hearts – drained and chopped

1 cup diced Provolone cheese 2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley

In a large bowl, thoroughly combine pasta, sauce, vinegar and oil. Add remaining ingredients; mix well. Serve chilled.

Per Serving: 398 Calories; 13g Fat (29.3% calories from fat); 14g Protein; 57g Carbohydrate; 5g Dietary Fiber; 11mg Cholesterol; 725mg Sodium. Exchanges: 3 Grain(Starch); 1/2 Lean Meat; 1 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 2 Fat; 0 Other Carbohydrates.

SERVING SUGGESTION: A loaf of bread and a bowl of those little baby carrots would be easy and just right for this meal! For more help putting dinner on your table check out her website ). www.SavingDinner.com or her Saving Dinner Book series published by Ballantine and her New York Times Best Selling book Body Clutter, published by Fireside.. Copyright 2007; Leanne Ely Used by permission in this publication.

#### STUDENTS GET THE DOWN-LOAD

(NewsUSA) - As children and teens become increasingly involved with the Internet and the vast amount of information available to them at the click of a button, it is more important than ever to teach them that right and wrong still exists online.

Illegally downloading songs and creative materials on the Internet is an ongoing problem. In fact, a

recent National Assessment Center (NAC) survey of 48,900 students in grades 5-12 who download music online revealed that 42 percent admit they rarely or never paid for it. Legal action and other measures against downloaders have been taken by record labels and others in the music industry. However, the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), in collaboration with Internet education non-profit, i-SAFE, is spearheading a different approach. Its innovative educational program is designed to teach children and young adults more about the real people "behind the music" who suffer when their intellectual property is illegally downloaded.

The first educational initiative of its kind aimed at middle-school students, "The Donny the Downloader Experience" was launched by ASCAP in February 2007 in partnership with i-SAFE. The program aims to bring the harmful effects of music piracy to life, especially in terms of those who make a living from their art. To date, more than a quarter of a million students have been educated with this interactive curriculum.

And young people are getting the message. A survey of 680 students who attended the assemblies found that at least 60 percent had a better understanding of what was legal to download. They were also more likely to use legal online stores for downloading music, were less likely to accept illegally downloaded music from friends and were more knowledgeable about how illegal downloads hurt the people who write music.

"Education is a critical part of the process in helping children understandthereal value of creative works like songs," said Phil Crosland, executive vice president of marketing for ASCAP. "This program allows young people to feel on a personal level that downloading music illegally hurts many more people than they think."

Donny, the 14-year-old cartoon character featured in ASCAP's program, guides students through a series of mis-adventures in the onlineworld, which take the form of short videos and entertaining, interactive skits. Additionally, Sonya Bender, a real-life, 17-yearold songwriter and musician, is featured in taped interviews with music creators who talk about how illegal downloading has hurt theirability to make a living. ASCAP hopes that the program will continue to strike the right chord with students and help them make better choices online.

For more information or to view a video preview of the program, visit www.ascap.com/donny or www.isafe.org.

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6. We must control the present system of how we control spending.

Let's start by using (x) which will equal the sum total of all budgets whether they be local, county or state. If we desire to spend (x) number of dollars then we must support that desire with dollars, either fully-funded or borrowed. Either way the taxpayer pays the bill.

Now the task is to decide how we want to take money from the citizen. Do we use property taxes, excise taxes, income taxes, sales taxes and to what degree. What percentage of the total dollars collected will come from each of the kinds of taxes we levy. Now the boys down at Indianapolis are letting some of the counties levy higher and broader income taxes. (This is to get the heat off what they passed and instituted in the last general assembly.)

Whatever taxes are levied, not everyone will be happy. And they will never be completely fair and equitable. Some taxpayers will be hit harder than others. Taxes always end up that way, and consequently any decision will not be politically endearing.

And, by the way, there are several other kinds of things that can be taxed. Down through history just about everything has been taxed that you can imagine. And there are other tax sources being considered at this time. Taxes on services of all kinds, intangibles, wheel and others are being batted about.

The bottom line is for all of this is just this, someone has to pay. This isn't magic. It isn't a mirage. This is reality time. If our representatives tell us that we, all of us collectively, are demanding all of these services, then we must pay. If we have told them that we want all of these services, then maybe we should tell them how we expect to pay for them. Maybe we wouldn't have wanted all of these services if we had known what the cost was going to be. But, all too often our representatives tell us what "we want" when much of it is a way for them to get more votes than another candidate. And in both cases, the cost is never discussed.

We can use all of the tax schemes that man has every devised, but without a control on (x), our desire to spend, there will never be a solution.

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