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Thought for the Week: **Some people make headlines while others make history.** Philip Elmer-DeWitt

COUNCIL VACANCY

The Warren Town Council will be accepting letters of interest for appointment to fill an existing vacancy on Council. A person wishing to serve must be a resident of the Town of Warren and must be a registered voter. A statement of political preference is not necessary as Town of Warren elections are not decided on a political basis and the appointment will be made by Town Council. A copy of the applicant's voter ID card should be included, if possible, along with the letter of interest. Anyone who applied to fill a prior existing vacancy must reapply. Letters will be accepted at the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer, 132 N. Wayne Street, or by mail, PO Box 477, until 5:00 pm on Friday, August 19, 2011. If questions, call the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, 375-2656.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Grant County 4-H Council will hold its Annual Meeting on Monday, August 22, 2011 at 7 p.m. in the Community Building, Grant County Fairgrounds.

STORM STOPS FESTIVAL

The annual Van Buren Popcorn Festival was held August 11-13. Attendance and weather conditions were good until the weather alert sounded about 8:30 p.m. Saturday. Because of the storm that followed the Festival came to a close early.

Damage in Van Buren was minimal. There were tree

limbs down and in an isolated area, residents were without power until Sunday afternoon.

SCHWOB FIELD FUNDRAISER

Tiffany Loftis and Amy Minnich, coaches of the Heritage Pointe Co-Ed softball team in Warren have started a fundraiser.

They have been showing around a sales brochure with candles, Christmas and food items ranging in price from \$10 - \$15. 50% of their sales will be going towards the Tower Park Schwob infield fence.

All orders are due by September 16th. If interested in helping to sell or just to buy, you may do so by contacting Tiffany, Amy or Lisa Williams of the Warren Baseball/Softball League.

ITALIAN FEAST

The Missions Commission of Dillman Church is sponsoring an Italian Meal on August 21st. Menu will include spaghetti, green beans, vegetable tray, garlic bread, and ice cream sundaes. All proceeds will go directly to Missions. Serving will begin after Sunday School and continue after second service.

ADDING CLASSES

We would like to thank all of our loyal students that have continued to come to classes throughout the busy and hot summer months! We apologize for the cancellations that we had to make due to the weather. We want your workouts to be fun and safe

and since we have no air conditioning we would prefer to be safe rather than sorry!

Chrissie Linker and Amy Vance are both certified Zumba Instructors, Chrissie is certified in Zumba Toning, and Amy holds certifications in ZumbaAtomic and Yoga. Both are also CPR and First Aid Certified! We would like to remind everyone about the classes that we are offering at The Fitness Studio. We of course have the Zumba classes which are a Latin based Dance Fitness class that incorporates all different types of music and dance moves into a great cardio workout. We are now also offering Zumba Toning classes. This class incorporates light weight toning sticks into the Zumba workout! We ask that you try our Zumba classes a couple of times to learn the basic steps of the dances before you try the Zumba Toning class.

We will be starting the ZumbaAtomic classes again after Labor Day! This is a fun class for the kids to do! Ages 4-12 are welcome, boys and girls both! The kids will learn one or two new songs each class and will be able to play games and have lots of fun while they are there!

And last but not least we also have Yoga! This is a wonderful class that helps with flexibility, and strength.

Please keep an eye in the paper for our new schedule that will start after Labor Day. And you can also check us out on Facebook too, just search for "The Fitness Studio"

Group!

Don't throw away your old punch card just yet! We are honoring the old punch cards that expired in June or July until the end of August! We will be offering a special the month of September! Bring a friend and you will each get \$2.00 off that class! So come on in and see us too... "Ditch the Workout, and Join the Party!"

Just a reminder to our students. The Fitness Studio will be closed the week of August 22-26 for our back to school vacation and there will be no classes held that week. Remember to watch for our new fall schedule starting after Labor Day.

FREE YOUTH EVENT

On Aug. 26 and 27, Upper Wabash Interpretive Services will provide free outdoor-related educational activities for youth at J. E. Roush Fish and Wildlife Area.

Kicking things off on Aug. 26 from 7-8 p.m. will be a tracking program with Bryan Ridgway and a canine partner of the Marion Police Department.

Visitors can camp overnight, or return on Saturday for the remainder of the sessions. Camping fees apply. All children must be with a responsible adult.

The schedule for Saturday, Aug. 27:

9-10:30 a.m. - Fishing stations , Bait and species identification , Tackle and casting session, Safety and sportsmanship , Fish cleaning demonstration
11-11:45 a.m. - Outdoor

cooking demonstrations and cook-off , Show-off your group's outdoor cooking skills to try to win a prize. Please register to compete

11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. lunch break - Sample the results of the cook-off and demonstrations

1-5 p.m. - Youth will rotate through hands-on learning stations including: shotgun, rifle, pellet rifle, conservation wildlife management, safety and equipment care, archery, tracking, and wildlife survival game. Afternoon sessions will take place at the Roush Shooting Range.

A generous grant from the NRA Foundation, Inc. helped purchase archery supplies and safety equipment.

Participants are required to register by calling (260) 468-2127 before noon on Aug. 20.

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Dogwood Glen will be hosting brunch on Sunday, August 21st, from 11am - 1pm. Buffet provided by Kim's Katered Affair will include: Breakfast Pizza, French Toast Casserole, Pork Loin with Gravy, Grilled Teriyaki Turkey Breast, Glazed Hamloaf, Chicken and Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Buttered Corn, Assorted Salads, Desserts, and Beverages. Cost: \$10 Adults, \$5 10&under. Please call Dogwood Glen at 375-4750 for reservations.

School's Back in Session - Watch out for the kids!!



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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THANK YOU

Thank you for all the donations and support for our women's "Come to the Fire" retreat fundraiser from the Warren Hillside Nazarene Church. We are also having a rummage and bake sale this weekend inside the fellowship hall/gym Friday and Saturday 8/19 and 8/20 8a.m.-?.. to complete our fundraising for this event. We could not have done any of this without the help of all our fellow businesses who cared enough to give so generously! We really do have "A SMALL TOWN WITH A BIG HEART" !!

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God Bless you all and thank you for your support,
 Christine Davis, Chasity Masters, Hali Nuss, Sabrina Nuss
 and all the woman of the Warren Nazarene Church.

HELPFUL YOUTH

MarkleBank of Van Buren would like to recognize Cameron Welker and Taylor Conley for turning in the envelope of money they found while walking down the street. The \$500 cash was returned to it's rightful owner.

What a terrific thing for them to do.



THE UPTOWN GARDENER

by Ruth Herring

Thanks for the good rain we have received this week. I am sure most all of us appreciate it even though it may mean for some to start mowing lawns again. It is worth it all to see green grass again.

My flower beds are beginning to come alive again, I thought they were doomed for this year. While sitting outside I have been counting on how many pots I need to bring in some of the plants I winter over. It sure saves on the cost in the spring and also gives me some pleasure in the winter months tending to them.

This past week we were in the Kokomo- Greentown area and saw several fields of corn severely damaged by storms. Some places the corn was flat on the ground. It was sad to see the damage.

Somehow the conversation got changed to potty training(I guess it is a normal thing since there is a toddler in the family).

Right now it is in the challenging stages for her. I proudly mentioned I had no trouble making my faithful Queenie dog sit

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 Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor

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 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Brad Kelly, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.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.

BOEHRER UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
 Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Pastor - Heath Jones
 Youth Leaders - Kelly Jones

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Adult Bible Study Sun 6:00p.m.
 Youth Group Sun 6:00p.m.

HEALING WATERS MINISTRY — MAJENICA
 Pastor Richard Evans
 260/224-3376

Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Dick Case, Pastor

Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.
 Sunday School.....9:30a.m.
 2nd Worship Service10:30a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

1st Worship.....9:00 a.m.
 2nd Worship.....10:30 a.m.

HERITAGE POINTE

Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat

THE NEW BEGINNING
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto
 Steve Sutton, Pastor

765/728-2065 for more info
 Sunday Worship.....10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES
 9019 E 300 S - Warren Indiana
 Jim Graham, Pastor

260/494-6753 260/489-1456
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Sunday School 9:30am
 Morning Worship 10:30am

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
375-2510
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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
 227 N Main St, Warren, IN 375-3873
 Kathy Newton, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor
 David Thrift, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Pastor Devin Cook

Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

MCMATT UNITED METHODIST
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.

Coffee Fellowship.....8:30 a.m.
 Worship9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148
 Tony Johnson - Pastor

Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

MOUNTETNA WESLEYAN
 Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-2691
 Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
468-2412
 Mel Zumbun, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-2102
 Pastor Scott Nedberg

Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
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.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
765-934-1431
 Pastor Blake J. Neff

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30a.m.
 Jr/Sr High FLOCK (Sun)..... 6:00 p.m.
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:00 p.m.
 UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 p.m.

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-3022
 Ethan T Stivers, Minister
 Nathan Ratcliff, Youth Minister
 Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes - Secretaries

www.warrenchurchofchrist.org
 Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 11 to 11:40 a.m.

WARREN 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
 Senior Pastor Rev. Bill Fisher
 Asst Pastor for Youth Greg Casserino
 Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

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.
 Wednesday Prayer Service... 7:00p.m.
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FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
 765-934-3609
 Pastor - Dan Metz

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



AREA NEWS

SLUSHER FAMILY REUNION

The 52nd annual Slusher family reunion will be held Sunday August 28, 2011 at the Dillman Church at noon. Carry-in dinner is scheduled, food, fun, and good conversation for all. It's a good time to catch up on family and honor our Slusher generations. Please contact all other family members who may not be aware of the date and place.

FLU CLINIC

The Huntington County Health Department will have a Flu Shot Clinic at the Warren Pharmacy on Wednesday, September 14th. from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Flu shots will be \$20/ADULT (age 18 & older), CASH only. The 2011 Flu shot also contains the H1N1 strain. Children who are Medicaid patients (18 and under) may obtain the shot for a \$5.00 administration fee (CASH only), IF THEY PRESENT A CURRENTLY ACTIVE MEDICAID CARD. The Health Department CANNOT file for Adult Medicaid or Medicare patients!

Residents of neighboring counties are welcome! You do not need to be a Huntington County resident. SHOTS are \$20 CASH only.

If you have questions about vaccinations you may call the

Health Department at 260-358-4831 ext.#1.

This service is provided by the Huntington County Health Department. The Warren Pharmacy is simply providing a location for this excellent service.

DO YOU ENJOY BOWLING?

Do other people at your Church enjoy bowling? The Bowling Center of Bluffton has a Monday Night Church Bowling League. This league welcomes Church teams, of 4 or more players, from the area. This is a coed Adult league, for 4 Bowlers each Monday Night starting at 7:45 P.M. A team can have more than 4 members, as long as 4 bowlers are there for each league night. The weekly bowling fee for each team is \$10.00/bowler for four bowlers/team (\$40/team). There is NO Smoking on Monday Night and NO Alcoholic Beverages are served at the Bluffton Bowling Center, and the concession counter serves great food and snacks.

For more information, you can contact Stan Kunkel at the Bowling Center 1231 South Scott Street (260) 824-9966 or Terry Daniels at the Warren Pharmacy (260) 375-2135.

KBC BOARD VACANCY

The KBC board will be accepting letters of interest for a current vacancy on the board.

Anyone that might have applied in June must reapply.

Letters of application may be sent to Shelly Boxell, Pres., Box 42, Warren In. Letters must be in by September 9th.

They will be read and voted on at the board meeting September 19th.

STREET TO BE DUG

On Tuesday, August 23rd, the County will be digging to find a section corner marker on Third Street between Hendricks and College Streets at approximately 8:30 am. Traffic may be blocked for a time while the work is in progress. The street cut will be done on Friday, August 19th.

GOLF OUTING

The Warren Volunteer Fire Department's annual golf outing will beat Dogwood Glen Golf Course on Saturday September 10th. The cost is \$50.00 per player and string will be sold for \$10.00 per team. Start time is 8:00 AM and lunch will be served after the outing.

If any questions, please call Scott Canady 260-917-1700

MEETING CHANGE

The September board meeting of the Warren Public Library Board has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 6th, due to the Labor Day holiday on Monday. The board will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

NEW AT WPL

New items added to the collection recently at Warren Public Library:

ADULT NON-FICTION: The Handmade Marketplace—

Chapin; Disappearing Tricks—Solomon; How to Tutor Your Own Child—Ruben; The Web-Savvy Patient—Schorr; Storey's Basic Country Skills—Storey; Nothing Daunted—Wickenden

ADULT FICTION: Merciless—Palmer; The Autobiography of Mrs. Tom Thumb—Benjamin; Sacred Evil—Graham; Bedeviled Eggs—Childs; The Cypress House—Koryta; Betrayal of Trust—Jance; Back of Beyond—Box; Harvest of Grace—Woodsmall; Sister—Lupton; Ascension—Golden; Escape—Delinsky

YOUNG ADULT FICTION: The Last Thing I Remember—Klavan; The Immortal Series—Noel

DVDs: Curious George at the Library; Rio; Soul Surfer; The Grace Card; The Conspirator

KBC MINUTES

August 15, 2011

Board Members Present: Denny Stroud, Shelly Boxell, Karen Herr, Mark Davis, Jimmy Asher, Bonnie Boxell, Rosemary Zeller, Sharon Gehbart, Janice Jordan.

Absent: Joan Boyer
Guests: John Williams, Sam's, LuEllyn Pond

Minutes were read and reviewed, Motion that we accept the minutes was made by Bonnie and seconded by Sharon, motion carried.

Financial report was reviewed. A suggestion was made that we need a tracking form to track payments for the rentals. Also, we would like a current Balance for the Food Pantry. A motion to accept and pay the current bills was made by Denny and seconded by Sharon, motion carried

Sam's were present to discuss the new announcer's stand that they would like to build for the Tractor Pulls. It would be permanent, elevated enough to avoid the flooding.

It would be covered with metal siding and would not be an eye sore as the bus. Rosemary made a motion that we revisit this plan when they have a drawing to present to the board, seconded by Denny

Food Pantry continues to serve many local families. Donations and supplies have been down. Rose is doing a great job, helping many families in need.

Preservation Fund: This number is down, just like everyone else's due to the economic problems right now. Bank \$11,315.17, Edward Jones \$76,000.00.

Current repairs: Larry Highley has given a bid on fixing all doors with new hardware. We have a matching grant from the Huntington Community Foundation that will help with this project. They plan on fixing 12 doors with the \$6,000.00 granted. Shelly will be calling Mike Howell and discuss a couple of questions about the matching and if we can change and do something different with the doors, like getting all new doors at some entry ways.

The next grant we would like to pour a cement area outside the north gym doors and fix a fire escape as suggested by the Analysis report. We Thank Bob and LuEllyn for their continuing work on these grants.

SSF report: Denny Stroud is the new Chairperson. We will get a report from each of their meetings.

Discussion on the electrical bills between the SSF and our bill was discussed. Still some questions as to who is paying what.

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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.

Aug 17	7:00 p.m.	Van Buren Town Council, Town Hall
Sep 5		Labor Day
Sep 7	Noon	Warren Chamber of Commerce, Assembly Hall
Sep 7	7:00 p.m.	Van Buren Town Council, Town Hall
Sep 12	6:30 p.m.	Warren Town Council, Assembly Hall
Sep 19	6:30 p.m.	KBC Board Meeting, at KBC
Sep 21	7:00 p.m.	Van Buren Council Meeting
Oct 3	5:30 p.m.	SSF Planning Meeting, Assembly Hall
Oct 5	Noon	Warren Chamber of Commerce, 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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SSF meets first Monday in Oct. 5:30 at the Annex building. He also said that SSF has brought in fill dirt below the hill and has it worked and is reseeded it now.

Ditch problem: Jimmy is still working with the state on this problem and they assure him that they will get it fixed, it is on their agenda.

Building updates: We had a call that on July 24 kids were on the roof of the building. Later a window was found open. The building was being rented at that time.

A Saturday work day was set for August 27th. We will meet at 8 am at the center. There continues to be the Monday Morning work group that will do the weekly cleaning etc. They meet each Monday at 8:30.

Keys need to be collected from different people.

Rosemary will ask Bill Bradford about taking care of the weeds around the property.

Bob Smith was not present to give an update on the Walnut trees. Jimmy did present a map that showed where these trees were and where our property line is located.

New Business:

A Thank You note was received and read from the Boxell family. Ron will be missed by this board. He was a great supporter to the KBC.

Board resignations were discussed. A motion was made that we take applications for the vacancy that we have. A notice will run in the paper for the next three weeks, all letters of interest are to be mailed to Shelly, Box 42 before Sept. 9th. These will be read at the next meeting and voted on. Jimmy Asher volunteered to fill the vacant Vice President seat. Motion to accept Jimmy was

made by Bonnie and seconded by Karen, motion carried.

Rosemary mentioned that Basketball is just around the corner and we need to start thinking about that program. She will report more at the next meeting.

Buffet is Nov. will be same as last time with Sharon and Rosemary heading it.

Next meeting will be Sept 19th. At 6:30 at the center.

VB COUNCIL

The Van Buren Town Council met on Wednesday, August 3 in the Council Room at Town Hall. At 7 p.m. president Tony Manry opened the meeting and all in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

Officer Pat Collins presented the Police Report. He said that the Department is ready for the Popcorn Festival.

Collins also reported that the Department has received two new computers for the police cars through a grant. The computers had the wrong air cards which had to be replaced.

Superintendent Jim Webb said all meters had been read in July.

In November, Webb will be hosting a training session for North Rural Alliance. The session is to train water and wastewater plant operators.

The next Council meeting will be August 17.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council met on Thursday evening, August 11, in Assembly Hall.

At 6:30 p.m. president Julia Glessner called the meeting to order.

Following the pledge, a moment of silence was held in memory of Ronald Boxell, who passed away on Wednesday, August 3.

Mason Floor of Markle was

scheduled to clean carpets at Assembly Hall on Friday, August 12.

An invoice in the amount of \$954 was submitted for installation of a security system at the garage at 114 East First Street. Council approved the installation.

A resident in attendance inquired about the usage of four wheelers on town Streets. Following discussion of the situation, Council determined that the resident would be allowed to use his Polaris as the distance to be covered to leave the town limits was little more than a block. Council determined that an ordinance to allow usage of four-wheelers would not be introduced.

Due to the death of Ron Boxell, steps were taken to fill the vacancy. Anyone interested in the position must submit a letter of interest by August 19. A special meeting will be held August 22 to review the letters and possibly appoint to fill the position.

An application had been made to rezone a section of town on State Road 5 across from the Fire Station and several other businesses to General Business Retail from R4. Morrison reported that the Warren Plan Commission gave a favorable recommendation, voting 6-0 following a public hearing. Ordinance 2011-4 was introduced. A Special Meeting is set for Thursday, August 18 to consider adoption of the Ordinance. The Warren Zoning Appeals will meet on Wednesday, August 17, at which time they will consider a request of variance for the same location regarding number of parking spaces.

Council had received photographs of the roofs at 118 N Wayne and 124 N Wayne. Both photos showed problem areas. The photo at 118 N Wayne showed exposed rafters. A discussion was held and Council decided that a letter should be sent to the owner of 118 N Wayne expressing their concern about the hazards presented by the building which has also been seriously damaged by fire. A certified letter was to be sent

to the owner stating that action is being considered due to the condition of the building. The property at 124 N Wayne Street is schedule for September 29 tax sales. Action will be considered following that date.

Council had received a letter from Larry Owen, Wells County Highway Engineer, stating intent to apply for a grant through Transportation Enhancement to establish a public access site along the Salamonie River. The Town is being invited to participate in the project, to establish an access site also.

Council is considering an area around the Scout Cabin for installation of a boat ramp and recreational area. That concept had been discussed previously. Morrison is to contact Owen in regard to the time table and information needed for submission.

Council voted to donate \$700 to the Huntington County Sheriff's Department to help with the purchase of a police dog. This will replace a police dog retired in 2005. Marshal Spittler reported on recent need for use of canine units from the State and from the City of Huntington.

Ordinances 2001-1, 2 and 3 were introduced, concerning wages and benefits. The wages section showed a .58 increase as previously discussed by Council. The Clerk-Treasurer increase was reflected in the fixed wages of the elected and appointed officials ordinance.

Council requested that Morrison contact the owner of the (old) Fire Station, adjacent to the Police Station to ask the selling price of the building. The building is now listed for sale. Council will then decide whether to move forward with appraisals of the building for consideration of purchase.

Morrison said the Clerk's Office will now be listed as the contact site for the Indiana Main Street Program. Jeff Souder, Warren Area Chamber of Commerce, agreed to make the necessary changes.

There will be a special meeting on September 19 for consideration of adoption of

the 2012 budget. Also, The Clerk's office will be closed September 20 for computer software training by Keystone.

Utility manager Day reported that tree trimming and removal project is continuing on Wayne Street.

Quotes were submitted for a long reach chain saw for use in the bucket trucks: American Safety, \$1,847.34 and WESCO \$1176. Reed City had been contacted but need not supply a quote. It was voted to purchase from WESCO.

Quotes were submitted for reroofing the Scout Cabin with steel: Zeller Construction \$7350; Kiel & Sons \$7600 and Widmeyer Construction \$6972. The Widmeyer Construction quote was accepted.

June and July reports were submitted by Marshal Spittler. He requested two AED units (Automatic External Defibrillator) for placement in the primary police vehicle. The matter had been discussed previously but no decision made. Requested was Zoll AED's to be compatible with the other units being used in the county by medical and law enforcement units. The units would be made available by American AED Inc. at the same price as quoted for the purchase of a unit for the Electric Utility, \$1,399 each. Council agreed to the purchase.

Day reported that an area of the Park has been selected as a possible smoking area if Tower Park is made non-smoking. Council has requested that an ordinance be prepared for consideration.

TESTING DATES SET

Additional Category 14 Agricultural Fertilizer Applicator Certification exam testing dates have been set for northern Indiana locations in 2011.

Three sites are available for individuals to take the Category 14 exam. The location, date, time and contact information include the following:

- September 15th in Wells County. Time 2-4pm at the

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Wells County Community Center (4-H Park). Contact Bill Horan for information or registration, 260-824-6412 or email horan@purdue.edu.

- December 15th in Carroll County (time to be announced) at the 4-H building in Flora. Contact Andrea Brown for information or registration, 765-564-3169 or email ahbrown@purdue.edu.

- December 16th in Clinton County. Time 1-3pm at the Clinton County Fairgrounds. Contact Curt Emanuel for information or registration, 765/659-6380 or 765/296-3511 or email cemanuel@purdue.edu.

There will be no fee to take the exam at the three aforementioned testing locations, however, no walk-ins will be accepted. There will be a limit of 100 registered individuals at each site.

Those who wish to sign up for the program can find a complete up-to-date list of contact information for the exam sites at the following Web site: <http://www.ppp.purdue.edu>. A draft manual for Category 14 can also be found at this site. It is important to read and review this manual in advance of taking the exam.

The new rule called "Certification for Distributors and Users of Fertilizer Materials" takes effect on January 1, 2012. The Category 14 certification was initiated by the Office of the Indiana State Chemist (OSIC) to license individuals who must comply with the new rule.

There are two basic parts to the rule:

- Those hired to apply, handle or transport fertilizer for agricultural purposes within Indiana must become certified through the OSIC by Jan. 1, 2012.

- Anyone applying manure from confined feeding operations must become certified through the OSIC by Jan. 1, 2012.

A state law in 2009 was passed by the Indiana General Assembly to create the rule. It is administered through the Office of the Indiana State Chemist (OISC). Note that for the purposes of this rule

"fertilizer material" is defined to mean both commercial fertilizer and manure from a confined feeding operation (CFO).

CFOs are livestock facilities that house at least 300 cattle or 600 swine or sheep or 30,000 fowl, such as chickens, turkeys or other poultry. There are about 1,500 CFOs in Indiana.

The Category 14 exam consists of about 70 questions. As noted earlier, the exam is free, although remote testing sites operated by a contracted vendor of H&R Block charge a fee. Passing the exam qualifies participants to be licensed. A five-year private applicator license is \$20, while a fertilizer business license is \$45 and good for one year. A one-year fertilizer distributor license is \$45 and requires no certification exam. No extra license fees will be charged to those holding pesticide licenses.

For more information, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

SENIOR SCRAMBLE

Results from Thursday, August 11 at Dogwood Glen. First Place(29): Dave Fleeger, Jim Hunnicutt, John Morrison, George Oden. Second Place(32): Larry Langdon, Fred Pernell, Tom Smiley, Ralph

Taylor. Closest to the Pin #3 Ralph Taylor, #6 Jim Hunnicutt, Long Drive #8 Monte Lightner, Charles Forrester. Thank you to Citizens Telephone for sponsoring this weeks golf balls.

INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Indiana 4-H and the Department of Natural Resources will be hosting a 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training, September 9-11 at Ross Camp new 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, Outdoor Pursuits, Muzzleloading, Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun, and Coordinator.

Qualified instructors will lead the sessions which focus on how to teach the various disciplines to youth. Registration for the training is \$125. This fee will be sponsored by Wells County 4-H if you plan to help with the Wells County 4-H Program in 2012.

Registration is due August 26th.

For more information and a registration form, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 1240 S 4-H Road, Bluffton, IN 824-6412. Or rsherer@purdue.edu.

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GENEALOGY REPORT

GRAFT

Christian O. "Chris" Graft, 84, of Roanoke, IN, died Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2011, at 3 p.m. at Covington Manor, in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Graft graduated from Ossian High School in 1945 and served in the United States Navy. He was a mechanic at International Harvester/Navistar, retiring in 1982. He was a life member of Roanoke American Legion Post 160 where he served as post commander and on the color guard. He was an American Legion 5th District officer and member of Sons of the Legion committee. He was also a life member of Waynedale DAV. He was born June 8, 1927, in Toscin to Christian and Meta McGlynn Graft. He married Virginia Eyanson in Van Wert, OH, on May 8, 1948, and she

survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Bev (John) Kelley, of Muncie, and Linda Graft, of Chicago, IL; a sister, Loretta Hunnicutt, of Warren; and six grandchildren, Jeff Vannatta, Gary Vannatta, Doug Graft, Kyle Graft, Michael Graft and Natalie Fisher.

Services were held at Roanoke Memorial Chapel of Deal-Rice Funeral Homes, with Rev. Russell Buzzard officiating. Burial followed in Glenwood Cemetery, with Roanoke American Legion Post 160 providing military graveside honors.

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WORKSHOP PLANNED

Molly Hoag, Consumer & Family Sciences Educator at the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service of Wells County will be offering a session on Preserving Nature's Bounty on Thursday, August 25th from 6:30-8:30 PM in the meeting rooms at the Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Park.

Pressure canning, water bath canning, freezing and drying your home grown or purchased fruits and vegetables in a safe environment will be discussed. You will be able to discuss firsthand how all these processes are important in preserving food safely.

This program is open to the public. A fee of \$3.00 will be collected at the door but pre-registration is recommended and you may call the Wells County office of Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service at 260-824-6412 to register.

HAPPY LIVING THINGS

by The FlyLady
Marla Cilley

This past week I joined many members from our community to kick off the fundraising for our new Animal Shelter. While I was a County Commissioner several years ago it had been on our priority list, along with

a new library and a new jail. Now the time has come for the Animal Shelter to be put at the top of the list. I am very proud of our Commissions for thinking of the future needs of community and the helpless critters who live here. They have committed to \$750,000 toward our new shelter. The Friends of the Animal Shelter are looking for donations to make our Shelter the best it can possibly be. All we need is \$350,000! Please donate what you can today. <http://animalsheltertc.org/>

I am also proud of the volunteers who rescue these homeless creatures from our animal shelter. In 2010 our Transylvania County Animal Shelter took in 586 animals and 514 of them were given new homes. Other counties in North Carolina are euthanizing thousands. According to records at the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, Davidson County tops their list by having reported killing 7013 dogs and cats in 2009.

I believe that the reason our numbers are a mere 1% of Davidson County has to do with the volunteer organizations; TAAG, Charlie's Angels, Friends for Life, Catman II, Noah's Ark and many others who foster these pets. Our community has been

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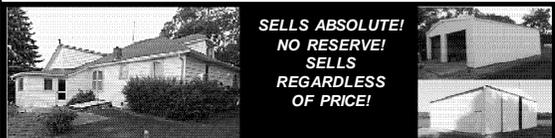
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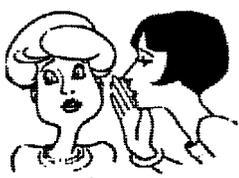
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blessed because, not only do these volunteers rescue these helpless critters but they also make it easier and affordable to be a responsible pet owner. They provide help with shots and spay and neutering clinics. We have fewer unwanted animals because these people devote their time and money into saving these happy living things.

My vet, Clyde Brooks who is the Co-Chair of this Fundraising project speculated that it would be nice to not need an animal shelter. Another vet, Dr. McPherson said that he went into schools teaching children what it means to be a responsible pet owner. Several parents would get upset with him because they were being shamed by their children to get their dogs and cats fixed so there would not be any more unwanted puppies and kittens.

This is a big part of being a responsible pet owner. We want to teach our children responsibility by getting them a pet. Our dogs and cats need; food, water, shelter, love, companionship and routines, just like you do. Some of the funniest testimonials I receive have to do with our pets. One lady as she was putting her shoes in the morning, her dog would bring her the leash because shoes had to mean they were going for a walk.

Our homes would not be the same without our animals. When you are ready to get a new pet for your home please check with your local animal shelter. All of my dogs and cats are rescue animals. The first dog I ever got on my own was from a shelter.

His name was Ranger and I believe that dog saved my life when someone tried to rob the store I had opened at the crack of dawn. Some stranger came in the door and every hair stood up on Ranger's back. That dog loved everyone. I just looked at that man and said, I

don't know what you have in mind but if you don't get out of here Ranger is going to attack you. That man hit the door running and Ranger was right after him; keeping him away from the door. The dog didn't attack but I know in my heart that Ranger protected me from evil.

This week I got these two quotes. I don't know who to attribute them to but they are worth sharing. "Until one has loved an animal, part of their soul remains unawakened." The next quote says it all, "To the world, you are just one more rescue person. To a rescued pet, you are the world."

Please volunteer with your local organizations and donate to them. Help us build our new Animal Shelter. <http://animalshelternet.org/>

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SOME ANTIDOTES FOR DEPRESSION

by V Neil Wyrick

One of the best antidotes to depression, or down days, or bad hair days, call them what you will, is activity.

A dear friend of mine is slowly dying of congestive heart failure, but she is so busy talking to and helping another friend who is dying of cancer, and several others with multiple problems, that she has less time to worry about herself.

Seek fellowship. Then do things the two or more of you. Aloneness and lack of activity feeds depression. Take a walk and chose a sunrise or a sunset time when there is an extra dose of beauty hanging up

there in the sky.

And yes, sometimes we human beings need some medicines to aid in our recovery, just as we need a doctor or an operation to do the same. We need to be able to take Prozac, or Effexor or Paxil without a sense of guilt.

And why not? Do not most people take insulin for diabetes, or aspirin for a headache, or anesthesia before the doctor applies his knife?

Don't most people continue to see a doctor if a physical hurts persists? Should emotions receive less concern and care? To turn to someone who is down, really down, and say, "Stiff upper lip, ole boy or ole gal." A stiff upper lip is not only stupid, it is thoughtless and hurtful.

To the depressed person, part of that depression is a racing, tumbling time of broken-hearted thoughts bouncing off the mind. And trying to slow it all down immediately is like trying to stop a speeding car with tissue paper. Therefore, sometimes the best thing to do, if depression descends on you, is for a little while to try to wipe clean the slate of your worried mind.

To give such thoughts some muted silence. Seek an emotional whiteout. Just let the soft breeze of nothingness blow for a while.

Would you like to be lifted up when you feel down? To make your mind a friend rather than an enemy? Then be less affected by skeptics and more affected by those who have been depressed and beaten it. Nurture positive thinking by surrounding yourself with positive people.

Would you like to make someone who is depressed feel better? Then simply tell them you love them and how important they are to you and that you are willing to listen without judging. Definitely resist any temptation to make comments such as "Take a hot

bath," "I thought you were stronger than that," or "Do you know how you make me feel talking like that."

And get some rest. America is a one great collection of sleep deprivation these days and being overly tired puts anyone on the edge of possible depression.

Believe that life is like a balloon. Things go up and things go down and when down days seem ready to take over...believe that like that proverbial door that has just closed...another door will open and there may well be a collection of smiles on the other side.

I broke my hip in May and there have been moments that could have become depression moments but I refused to give them the chance. When the leg hurt and I told myself, "Suppose it didn't hurt because you'd had a stroke and it was paralyzed with no feeling." I did this with every negative and never gave a negative time to grow.

I know this - I get excited when I meet someone who deserves to be in a "Rocky" movie. Someone who accepts the fact that life begins as a blank sheet of paper and that before the final writing, there will be written a large collection of bright and shining joys and darker days of sorrow.

But come what may... they refused to go down.

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on my old potty chair. I would sit on the chair and then tell Queenie to sit and she did. It would have been nice for my kids to be that obedient. My dear ole dog was put thru so much in her lifetime. The only thing she reniged on was trimming of her whiskers and putting finger nail polish on her nails and she let me know then who was boss.

My dad brought her home in his coat pocket when I was three, so we raised each other, a real true friend I had growing up.

Now that late summer is upon us, hopefully some gardens are producing. One thing I always liked to have stashed away was a mixture of tomatoes, onions and bell peppers. If I had enough to process I did so in half pint jars and some in pint jars. I chopped up fine the onion and peppers and diced tomatoes using a bit more vegetables than other process according to your canner. This also freezes well and either way it is handy to have to add to soups, casseroles, main dishes, meatloaf and such. I like having it on hand especially if in the still of winter you need onion or peppers for a recipe.

Thanks again for all the comments I receive on my jibberish thoughts and hope I can continue to think of something silly to write about.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and kids enjoy the starting of another school year.



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