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Thought for the Week: A compromise is an agreement whereby both parties get what neither of them wanted. Author Unknown

Shrove Tuesday is the day before

Lent starts and the Tuesday

PANCAKE SUPPER



25 YEARS OF COACHING

Salamonie 7th grade girls basketball coach Ron Sheets is recognized with a plaque by this years 7th grade team for 25 years of coaching girls basketball. Mr. Sheets is retiring from coaching after this season.

BREAKFAST

McNatt UMC will be serving breakfast on Febraury 21st from 7:00 to 9:30 a.m. Menu will include biscuits and gravy, pancakes, sausage and eggs. Free will donation.

The church is located at 9271W 900S, Jackson Twp, Wells Co.

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Dogwood Glen and Kim's Katered Affair will be hosting Sunday Brunch on February 22nd from 11am - 1pm. Buffet Menu will include: Breakfast Pizza, Asparagus, Ham & Cheese Casserole, Fettuccini Alfredo, Fried Chicken, BBQ Ribs, Meatloaf, Au Gratin Potatoes, Corn Casserole, Vegetable Medley, Assorted Breads, Salads, Desserts & Beverages. Cost: \$10 for Adults, \$5 for 10 & under. Please call Dogwood Glen at 375-4750 for Reservations. Carry-out is also available!

Recycling News

Blue recycling bags are now available at the Warren Pharmacy! Marion Services is now providing recycling services to Warren. Their Blue Recycling Bags come in a package of #10 for only \$3.00! The Warren Pharmacy is thankful to provide recycling bags for our community. Warren residents may also obtain Blue plastic bins for recycling at the Warren Town Hall 375-2656.

DINNER PLANNED

The mission team at Van Buren United Methodist church is having an all you can eat Spaghetti dinner on Saturday February 21 2009 from 5-7 pm at the church fellowship hall located at 108 S. 2nd St Van Buren, IN. cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids 10 and under all proceeds go toward future mission trips. You may also bring any metal recyclables to donate at that time. Any questions call 765-662-2023.

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before Ash Wednesday. It is a day of celebration as the last chance to feast before Lent begins. Shrove Tuesday is also sometimes called Pancake Day after the fried batter traditionally eaten on that day. The Warren United Church of Christ will be celebrating Shrove Tuesday with a Pancake and Sausage Supper at 202 E 2nd St on Tuesday February 24 from 5pm - 7pm. Everyone is Welcome. Freewill offerina.

FEBRUARY DELIVERY

The food orders for February will be delivered on Saturday, February 28. Pick up times are: 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Remember to bring you yellow receipt and a box for your food order. Workers to unload the truck should be here by 10:00 and volunteers to distribute food should be here by 10:30 a.m.

We are pleased to say that orders for February increased to 175 after they had been dropping in the last few months. We hope they will continue to rise so we can be helping as many folks as possible. We appreciate everyone spreading the word about the Warren Angel Food Ministry. May God continue to bless WAFM.

THEME CONTEST

Think left and think right and think low and think high. Oh, the thinks you can think up if only you try! ~Dr. Seuss, Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!

We need your help so pull out, dust off and put on the thinking cap! The Salamonie Summer Festival committee needs a theme for the 42nd Annual which will be held July 2nd thru 5th! Please enter your idea and win a Festival Prize Package

worth \$35.00.

Please submit your entry before March 15th by mailing to the SSF Committee / PO Box 40 / Warren or you can drop off at Accent Interiors or Citizens Telephone. Please be sure to include your name, address and phone number on the entry. Open up your imagination and submit your ideas.

"The only difference between try and triumph is just a little umph." ~Author Unknown

STORYTIME BEGINS

Pre-school story time began on Friday, February 6 at the Warren Library. Story time sessions will begin at 10:30 and last for onehalf hour. These times are filled with all types of stories and activities for the children. Parents also have a time to share and interact. All pre-school children are invited. No registration is necessary. Call the library at 260.375.3450 if you have questions.

SALE ROOM

The sale room at the Warren Public Library will be open the first Saturday of each month during regular library hours (10a.m. - 2p.m.). A wide variety of items are available including fiction and non-fiction books, audio tapes, video tapes, and magazines. Most items have been previously used. Money received from this sale is spent by the Friends of the Library for such projects as the Summer Reading program. Come find a good deal!

AFTER SCHOOL STORIES

Warren Public Library offers after school story time at Salamonie School for grades K-2 on Mondays and grades 3-4 on Salamonie Summer Festival Wednesdays. Sessions last until

How Many Hearts?

Ruth Herring has crafted a darling heart wall hanging for the children's room at the Warren Public Library. Many hearts are embedded! Children through age 12 are invited to guess how many hearts Ruth has hidden in the hanging. Ask at the circulation desk for the entry slip. Winners will be announced on March 1. Up to 5 winners will receive a book as their prize for determining the correct number of hearts.

Preservation Program

The Knight Bergman Center Board of Directors has established a committee to propose a plan for a community wide fund solicitation for the continuing preservation of the Knight Bergman Center.

The planning committee has been working several months toward the preservation program funding that will soon be shared with the graduates of Warren High School and the entire community in the Warren area.

The planning committee has spent numerous hours in securing names and addresses of all living Warren High School graduates and in compiling information that is being composed into a brochure for mailing and public distribution.

The Preservation Fund Committee that is working on this project is composed of the following committee members: Tamara Spahr, Michell Herr, Sharon Gebhart, Jerry Boyer, Shelley Boxell, Ronnie Boxell, Jim Howell, LuEllyn Pond, Robert Pond, and KBC Board members as their time and attendance allows.

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Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop, mail to P O Box 695, Warren, fax to 260.375.7007 or email to wwkly@citznet.com. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THE UPTOWN GARDENER

by Ruth Herring



Nice to see the sunny days, makes one feel a bit more energized. Have been inspired to get some house cleaning done before the outside chores start.

Wayne has been refinishing our kitchen cabinets and they are looking good. Our cabinets are getting some age to them but still in good condition. I guess knowing my dad

had a part in making them I feel special about them and the construction work is probably better than some on the market today. Dad worked at the Kitchen Maid at Andrews for 56 years. That is a long time at one place of employment and many a day they were long hours especially during the war when they had government contracts to get out. Those days us kids pulled double duty on the chore list and we cracked the whip to get them done so in the evening we could listen to our favorite programs on the radio or play games outside. Most of the time we played hide and seek or handy over where we threw the ball over the house to the opponents. In the winter we had our favorite programs on the radio and sometimes we played hide the thimble, that got us in trouble with mom if we forgot to put her thimble back where it belonged. It was a long walk to the library but we also did quite a bit of reading. Homework from school always took priority and we usually hurried to get that done.

I have started some seeds in the greenhouse and I can see a few sprouting. I will probably be starting more soon.

Now is the time to think about fruit trees that need to be trimmed and some of the hardy vines. In a couple weeks I will be putting a little epson salts on the strawberry plants. It gives extra strength to the plants. I noticed last spring they grew a bit taller and seem to hide the berries better from the birds. I also put a net over them.

I have a lot of cleaning out of flower beds and getting new mulch down soon as it is safe to do so. Sure have a lot of things to get done this spring outside.

I had a request for sour dough pancakes and got me to thinking we hadn't had any for a long time. I also found a recipe for a different starter which I think I might try.

I'll let all of you know how it turns out.

First for the starter:

3 tablespoons instant potato flakes 3 tablespoons sugar 1 cup warm water 21/4 teaspoon dry yeast combine and mix well. Pour into a gallon plastic bag, mix or mush it in the bag daily for 5 days keeping it at room temp. On the 5th day add 3 tablespoon potato flakes 3 tablespoon sugar and 1 cup warm water and let set at room temp for at least 6 hours.

Sour Dough Pancakes

1 cup starter at room temp, beat together 2 tablespoon oil and 1 egg add to starter and mix well add 3/4 cup flour. Mix together 1 teaspoon soda with 1/4 cup water dissolving the soda and add to mix, let batter set for a few minutes before cooking. If desired add 1 cup blueberries. Enjoy and I hope everyone had a nice Valentines weekend.

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(3yrs old - 5th grade) . 6:30-8p.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

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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.

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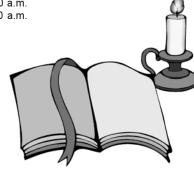
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AREA NEWS

DENTAL HAPPENINGS

Dr Kevin DeaKyne's dental office participated recently in the American Dental Association Give Kids a Smile Day. This program pairs uninsured children with local dentists to provide free dental care. Additionally, Dr DeaKyne will present Dental Health Programs at Salamonie and Southern Wells elementary schools and the Small World Preschool. On July 31st and August 7th Dr DeaKyne's office will be providing free kindergarten screenings for any child entering kindergarten this fall. Please call 260.375.2626 to schedule an appointment.

DEAN'S LIST

Ms Alyssa Jo Osborne has been named to the Dean's List at Huntington University for the Fall Term 2008. Ms Osborne is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Relations.

She is the daughter of Rick Osborne of Rock Hill SC and Gerald and Susan Ralston of Warren.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council met at 6:30 p.m. Monday evening, February 9 in Assembly Hall. President Bill Cartwright opened the meeting and all in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

Fresh/Silk Flowers

Green/Blooming Plants

The Heartland Aluminum project was discussed. The transformers are to be ordered immediately.

A City and Town Roundtable is set for February 24 at Huntertown. Bill Cartwright, Ron Neff and Marilyn Morrison are scheduled to attend the meeting.

Curtis Day is still looking for a ¾ truck for the town. Trucks looked at previously were reported to be too high in price. The search will continue.

There are three new members on the Warren Fire Department, including Todd McClain, Aaron Hartman and Simeon Reed.

The Warren Fire Department is looking into the prospect of a mutual aid agreement with Chester Township of Wells County.

The Fire Department has been awarded a \$5,000 DNR Grant which they had applied for. The Grant is to assist with the communications system upgrade.

MARCH FOR BABIES

March of Dimes Premier Fundraising Event Benefits All Babies

WHAT: Formerly known as WalkAmerica, March for Babies is the March of Dimes premier fundraising event that benefits all babies—those born healthy as well as those who need help to survive and thrive. We've been walking since 1970 and have

Music Boxes

Stuffed Animals

raised an incredible \$1.8 billion to benefit all babies through lifesaving research, community services, education and advocacy to help give every baby a healthy start.

WHEN: Saturday, May 5, 2009 WHERE: Hier's Park Family Living Center: 547 S. Briant St., Huntington, Indiana

TIME: 8:00am Check-In / 9:00am Walk Start

WHY: It's America's favorite walking event! When you walk, you give hope to the families of babies born too soon or sick. The money you raise supports programs in your community that help moms have healthy, full-term pregnancies. And it funds research to find answers to the serious problems that threaten our babies.

Premature birth touches half a million babies and their families every year. In Indiana, 226 babies are born premature every week. Babies born too soon are more likely to die or have disabilities. More than 120,000 babies are born with serious birth defects that can mean a lifetime of disability. Babies born healthy need champions, too, to ensure they have access to newborn screening and preventive health care. The March of Dimes is there for all babies.

HOW: You can make a difference; Support the March of Dimes by forming a team. You can register by visiting www.marchforbabies.org, or 1-800-921-9255.

About March of Dimes - The March of Dimes is a national voluntary health agency whose mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. Founded in 1938, the March of Dimes funds programs of research, community services, education, and advocacy to save babies, and in 2003 launched a campaign to address the increasing rate of premature birth.

Community Calendar

Gifts/Greeting Cards Balloons/Party Supplies

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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.

Feb 18 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Warren Town Council, 4 p.m., Assembly Hall Feb 23 Feb 24 Shrove Tuesday Pancake/Sausage Supper at United Church of Christ Feb 26 Warren Recycle Day Angel Food Ministry Pick Up Day Feb 28 Mar 4 Chamber of Commerce, noon, Assembly Hall **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME Begins** Mar 8 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m. Assembly Hall Mar 9 Mar 12 Recycle Day Mar 14 Angel Food Ministry Order Deadline KBC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m @ KBC Mar 16 Mar 16 Salamonie Summer Festival Meeting, 6 p.m. Mar 17 Banquo Christian Church Fish Fry, 4:30-7:30

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 5:00pm 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 Farmers Market Saturdays 8-noon in Daugherty Parking Lot.

PIZZA & WII

Teens on the Town, a program from Pathfinder Services, Inc. will be continuing activities for teenagers in March. On Wednesday, March 18th Teens on the Town will be hosting a Wii Tournament and Pizza Party from 12:30 P.M. until 5:00 P.M. at Pathfinder Services main office location at 1152 East State Street in Huntington. The program focuses on teens, ages 12 to 22 who are currently attending special needs programs at the middle and high school level.

The cost is \$5.00 which includes pizza and pop. Huntington County Community Schools have a half day on March 18th. Parents are responsible for arranging

transportation to and from Pathfinder Services for their teen. If parents would like their child's school bus to drop them off at Pathfinder Services, parents should contact the Huntington County Community School Corporation's bus garage at (260) 358-2217.

Space is limited, so please call today! Reservations must be made by Wednesday, March 11, 2009 by calling Jamie Lewark at Pathfinder Services at 260-356-0500 or 800-833-1571 ore-mailing Jamie at jlewark@pathfinderservices.org.

Pathfinder Services, Inc. is a local not for profit organization specializing in working with people with and without disabilities, and has been serving Huntington County since 1966. Pathfinder Services, Inc. serves over 2,000 individuals with and without disabilities throughout Northeast Indiana. For more information on the services of Pathfinder Services, Inc. please call their Huntington office at (260) 356-0500 or www.pathfinderservices.org.

AG ON-LINE

The 2007 Census of Agriculture numbers from the United States Department of Agriculture -National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA-NASS) were released on February 4, 2009. The USDA website reports online profiles on a county by county basis. This report shows that **Huntington County followed the** same trend as the State of Indiana and the nation. While the total of reported farm acreage decreased in the county from 2002 to 2007 by over 700 acres to 199,070 acres, the number of farms in **Huntington County increased** from 675 to 766 over this five year

period.

In Indiana the number of farms increased by 1 percent to 60,938. Even with the number of farms increasing, the overall amount of Indiana farmland decreased by 2 percent and the average size of the Indiana farm decreased by 3 percent. According to the census, the average size of the Indiana farm is 242 acres, whereas the average size farm in Huntington County is 260 acres.

The increase in farms in the county (from 2002 to 2007) can be attributed to farms with sales of less than \$1000 which included 285 farms (37% of total) in the '07 results. There were 120 more of these small farms over this five year period ('02 to '07). However, there were also more farms with sales in excess of \$100,000 in 2007 as compared to 2002. There were 165 (22% of total) of these larger farms in '07 as compared to 139 farms in 2002.

Among all 92 counties in the state, Huntington County ranked 31st in acres of corn for grain production (82,215), 10th in acres of corn for silage production (2628), 17th in acres of soybean production (80,083), and 13th in acres of wheat production (6105). More information from the 2007 Census of Agriculture can be found on-line at http:// www.agcensus.usda.gov. The profile for Huntington County can also be found on-line at http:// www.agcensus.usda.gov/ Publications/2007/ Online_Highlights/ County_Profiles/Indiana/ cp18069.pdf

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regarding the Census of Agriculture reports, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

HISTORY BOOK

For the past 19 years, Blackford County Civil War Re-enactment Club members have zealously worked to generate interest in the history of the Civil War Era and to educate people about the widespread effects the war had on our country.

The annual Civil War Days event in October brings thousands of people to Blackford County to observe a re-enactment of a Civil War Battle. Hundreds of school children are bused in for the Educational Day where they can learn first hand from presenters various things about how the soldiers and their families dressed, lived and fought.

After much research, a book containing information about known Civil War soldiers who had ties to Blackford County was compiled by Club President Orville Uggen and is presently offered for sale. The Club raised money to erect a bronze statue of a Civil War soldier on the Blackford County Courthouse Square. Commemorative bricks or granite blocks for the walkway around the monument may still be purchased.

All of the above has been possible only through the volunteered hard work and devotion of the Club members to make these events successful.

Blackford County has benefited through the Club's efforts and the Club continues, even now, to give back to the community.

The Montpelier Historical Society was recently presented a computer and a copy machine by the Re-Enactment Club. This gift will enable the Historical Society to continue preserving our local area history.

Taking part in the presentation were Judy VanCamp and Mary Kelsay, secretary and vice president of the Montpelier Historical Society, and Nina Stults, Paula Carfield and Inez Reasoner, along with Re-Enactment club members Earl Willman, Jerry Kirkwood, Bob Uggen and Orville Uggen, president of the club.

RHYTHM IN SHOES

The Dayton, Ohio-based dance team of Rhythm in Shoes will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 28 at Huntington University.

Rhythm in Shoes is a critically-acclaimed dance troupe that has toured more than 47 states, as well as Canada, Japan and Ireland. Formed in 1987, Rhythm in Shoes has used American music and dance—including tap, swing and clogging—to achieve one mission: to engage the world in music and dance.

With many shows prepared, Rhythm in Shoes will perform "Banjo Dance: A Celebration of American Spirit" in the Zurcher Auditorium of Huntington University's Merillat Centre for the Arts. A collision of the British Isles and African cultures, the traditional music and dance of the Southern Appalachians is the inspiration for the "Banjo

Dance." Pulling from flatfooting, clawhammer banjo playing, fiddling, square dancing and more, "Banjo Dance," represents what makes Dayton, Ohio, what is today considering its ancestry from Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee.

Tickets are \$18 for reserved seating, \$16 for seniors and students, \$5 for Huntington University students and \$13.50 for Huntington University faculty and staff. To purchase tickets or for more information, call the Merillat Centre for the Arts Box Office at (260) 359-4261.

4-H OPEN HOUSE

The annual 4-H Sign Up Day and Open Housewill be held Saturday, February 28th, 8 AM – 12 Noon at the Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

4-H members and families are encouraged to stop by to fill out membership forms, meet with your club leaders (pick up last year's record notebook), pay your club dues, and pick up this year's manuals and meeting schedules.

4-H volunteers will answer questions and get you signed up for 2009.

The club schedule for the event will be:

8-10 AM Lancaster Township Achievers, Chester Chargers, Liberty Township Happy Go Lucky, Jackson Township Jaguars

10 AM – 12 Noon Hurryin' Harrisons (Harrison Township), Jefferson Township Knightriders, Nottingham Township Nobles, Rockcreek Rollers (Rockcreek and Union Townships)

Information tables will also include schedules and form for

Archery, Horse & Pony, 4-H Dog Obedience Club, 4-H Pistol Safety, 4-H Shot Gun Safety, and Mini 4-H.

4-H membership forms for Wells County are due April 1, 2008.

Youth in grades 3 – 12 may join 4-H and youth in grades 1 & 2 may join Mini 4-H.

If you have questions about any project, please call your 4-H Club Leader or the Wells County Extension Office, 1240 S. 4-H Road, Bluffton IN 46714, 260-824-6412 or email rsherer@purdue.edu.

FOOD PROJECT

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The 4-H Food project books are divided into chapters (bites) and cover nutrition, food safety, kitchen safety, preserving / storing and baking and cooking. Each chapter has hands on activities that can be done at home or in a club meeting.

Exhibits at the 4-H Fair begin with cookies in grade three and progress through muffins, cakes,

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ICE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Southern Wells ICE Program is happy to announce it's Student of the Week Award. This week's ICE Student of the Week is Emily Pursifull. Emily works for Brett and Amanda Clark at Canine Crossroads in Liberty Township. "We are very happy with Emily. She does a wonderful job and is always willing to do whatever is asked of her," Amanda Clark. Southern Wells ICE is a program where students attend school for 1/2 day and work 1/2 day at a local employer in the Wells, Blackford, and Huntington counties. Every student is employed in a career that the student is interested in pursuing.



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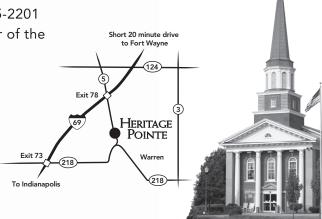
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GENEALOGY REPORT

Cox

George L. Cox, age 80, 6918 South 50 West, Warren, died at 7:15 a.m. Thursday (February 12, 2009) at his home.

Mr. Cox retired from Majestic Company in 1991 and farmed in Jefferson Township from 1970-1980. He was the former owner of C. & G. Tire in Huntington from 1965-1973 and co-owner of Cox Brothers Inc. from 1973 – 1980. George was a member of the F. O. P. of Huntington.

George was born on March 17, 1928 in Garrett, Kentucky, to Pat and Amy (Gayhart) Cox. He married Donna M. Burke on June 26, 1948 in Peru. She preceded him in death March 31, 1996.

Survivors include one son – John H. (Melissa Poling) Manning of Warren; one daughter – Nancy J. (Ronald) Davis of Warren; two brothers - Charlie Cox of Huntington and Melvin (Marge Patrick) Cox of Huntington; six sisters - Amel Coburn of Albion, Katherine (Edsel) Childers of Albion, Elizabeth Giolami of Cincinnati, Ohio, Gwen (Larry) Pant of Kendallville, Shannon (Floyd) Miller of Kendallville and Ann (Mont) Conley of Kendallville; 4 grandchildren and 1 greatarandchild.

Two brothers – Carl Cox and Bill Cox, and a sister – Fern Gillenwater, preceded him in death.

Services were held at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Brunck Conley officiating. Burial was at Gardens of Memory, Huntington County.

Preferred memorials are to the American Lung Association in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

STOUT

Imogene Stout, 79, of Huntington, Indiana, died 5:50 a.m. Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at the home of her daughter, in High Point, NC.

Mrs. Stout was a homemaker and a member of the St. Paul's County Line Church in Andrews. She belonged to the Women's

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Guild of the church.

Imogene was born on August 23, 1929, in Marion, Indiana, the daughter of Leroy and Nellie (Emerick) Bradford.

She graduated in 1947 from the Van Buren High School. Imogene married Ralph E. Stout on December 17, 1949 in Landess, Indiana.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph E. Stout of Huntington, IN; two sons, Gary C. (Cynthia) Stout of Huntington, and Bradley J. Stout of Huntington; four daughters, Dinah and her husband, Ray Kimery of Fortville, Sheila Koontz of High Point, N.C., Melba Stout of Huntington, and Jeana and her husband, Michael Mundy of Huntington; one sister, Betty Harrell of Marion; 15 grandchildren and 10 greatgrandchildren.

A son, Stanley Ray Stout, preceded her in death.

Services were held at St. Paul's County Line Church with Pastor Conrad Thompson officiating. Burial was at Andrews Riverside Cemetery, Andrews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Paul's County Line Church or the Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

TYNER

Infant Dustin Matthew J. Tyner was stillborn at 4:55 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2009 at Dupont Hospital in Ft. Wayne.

Master Tyner was born to Matthew E. and Angie M. (Landrum) Tynerwhom survives in Huntington.

Other survivors include grandparents John and Donna Jo Tyner of Huntington and Jerry and Gloria Landrum of Huntington; great-grandparents Betty Shaw of Warren, Dwight and Kathern Hinds of Columbia City and Lois Landrum of Huntington; uncles and aunts Scott and Holly Landrum of Huntington, Randy Landrum of Huntington and Wade and Gina Tyner of Huntington.

Great-grandparents, Earl Landrum, Roger Shaw and Ralph

and Olive Tyner, preceded him in death.

A private graveside service and burial was held at Star of Hope Cemetery with Pastor Bill Rapp officiating.





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This is how we should be looking at our downtown. It is only in the grips of winter, but there is promise and possibility waiting just beneath the surface! Let us all greet spring and our community projects, with an enthusiasm like this town has never seen!

Did you know that the last Indiana Department of Transportation's traffic count study, conducted in 2001, showed an average of 3197 vehicles passing thru our downtown in a single day! Just think what could happen to our town if we got these people to stop and take a closer look!

The Warren Area Chamber's main mission for this next year is to work hand in hand with the "Downtown Beautification" project. This project will work to update our new sidewalks with new trash containers, benches and planters. This project will also oversee the replacement and updating of the Christmas lights on the buildings to a new LED style which will burn brighter and will take less electricity to run. A new speaker system is also being installed downtown to use all year. This can play music during events and thru the holiday season, make announcements of upcoming activities, and even advertise our local business establishments. All of these items will complete our new look downtown and make those that drive thru want to stop and take a closer look!

The "Downtown Beautification" committee and Warren Chamber are looking for help from the community to see these projects and dreams fulfilled. They are asking for contributions from local residents, businesses, and service organizations to help purchase these items. Remember what a little paint did last year to liven up the town. Just think what a few well placed benches and overflowing planters will accomplish.

It is our goal to have these projects completed in time for the Salamonie Summer Festival. With all the people visiting our community over those few days we have a chance to make a lasting impression! We hope to make that a positive impression and they say, "Wow, what a great place to live!"

Any amount you can contribute will be greatly appreciated and put to good use! Remember anything you donate is tax deductible! Please mail your contribution to: Warren Area Chamber of Commerce / % Downtown Beautification / PO Box 40 / Warren IN 46792.

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Youth may also exhibit preserved foods which includes freezing and canning.

One of the things that has made the project successful is that kids love to make their exhibit and see how it tastes. They can then try different ways to improve it to get the best results.

Youth in grades 3 – 12 can join 4-H and youth in grades 1 and 2 can join Mini 4-H.

For more information about 4-H, contact the Purdue Extension Service – Wells County Office at 260-824-6412 or attend the 4-H Open House Saturday, February 28th, 8 AM – 12 Noon at the Wells County 4-H Park in Bluffton.

JUDGES **W**ORKSHOP

Adults interested in learning how to become 4-H Project Judges at area fairs are invited to attend the Northeast Indiana 4-H Judges Workshop, Saturday, March 7. The event will be held at Northrop High School, 7001 Coldwater Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46825.

The workshop will begin with registration at 8:30 AM. A general session at 9 AM will explain the philosophy of judging 4-H projects, working with youth during the judging process and understanding project rules.

Breakout seminars will round out the morning workshop that will conclude at 12:15 PM. The breakout sessions will include: Geology, Crafts, Fashion Revue, Natural Resources & Entomology, New Judges, Floriculture, Sewing / Consumer Clothing, Scrapbooking, Photography, and Posters.

The event is being organized by Purdue Extension Service 4-H Youth Development Educators in Northeast Indiana. The workshop is open to all current or prospective 4-H judges who are interested in learning more about the 4-H judging process.

Registration forms, along with a payment of \$10 (workshop materials and refreshments) are due by Friday, February 27th.

For more information about the workshop and a registration form, contact THE Purdue Extension Service – Wells County Office at 260-824-6412 or rsherer@purdue.edu

EARNS RECOGNITION

For the second consecutive year, Bluffton Regional Medical Center has earned the Quality Respiratory Care Recognition (QRCR) from the American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC).

Approximately 15 percent of hospitals in the United States

have received this designation, which is intended to help patients and families make informed decisions about respiratory care services available in hospitals.

The QRCR program was initiated by AARC in 2003 to provide a benchmark for hospitals committed to providing the very highest level of service. The QRCR distinguishes those facilities that use qualified respiratory therapists to provide respiratory care. Hospitals earning the designation ensure patient safety by agreeing to adhere to a strict set of criteria governing their respiratory care services.

To qualify for the recognition, Bluffton Regional met the following conditions:

All respiratory therapists employed by the hospital to deliver bedside respiratory care services are either legally recognized by the state as competent to provide respiratory care services or hold the CRT or RRT credential.

Respiratory therapists are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Other personnel qualified to perform specific respiratory procedures and the amount of supervision required for personnel to carry out specific procedures must be designated in writing.

A doctor of medicine or osteopathy is designated as medical director of respiratory care services.

Respiratory therapists are specially trained health care professionals who work under a physician's orders to provide a wide range of breathing treatments and other services to people with asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, cystic fibrosis, lung cancer, AIDS and other lung or lung-related conditions. They also care for premature infants and serve as key members of lifesaving response teams that handle

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IF You Must Worry, Don't Waste It

by Neil Wyrick

Worry? Anxiety? Call it what you will. It is the darkness of the night without the brightness of the stars. It Velcro's itself to our emotions and serves up exhaustion.

Are there ways and means to improve our handling of this mini or maxi nightmare? There are indeed. Firstly, it is very important to understand that it is a malady none of us will ever completely eliminate. Therefore, we should all remember what an old farmer once wisely reminded me "Every path has its puddles."

Yes, sometimes the best we can do, after we have tried to keep thoughts that stink at a distance, is to work at making them less toxic and a little more manageable.

The causes of anxiety may come slowly as arthritis, bringing pain and immobility. They may come quickly with the words, "I want a divorce." The cause may be the amputation of a limb after a horrible accident, an unexpected coronary that allows depression to come sweeping in.

It may be an out-of-control anger from a friend or stranger. It may be shock waves from three words that become giants as you hear them spoken, "You are fired."

If possible, ease the pain of whatever is the cause by mixing achieving with grieving. Though divorce is traumatic, a marriage may have been close to a living hell. An amputated limb may have saved a life. A friend of mine recently fell and severely fractured his jaw. Because of it they found cancer which was then successfully treated. The job fired from was a job you had wanted to quit for years. It makes sense to find silver rather than more shadows in the clouds. Let's put it this way, "Don't just complain about the weather, buy an umbrella."

Talking about a problem with some-one close can help perspective. To just along sit and hug anxiety close really has little value. You can be so overwrought you put a wrong slant to the thing that's worrying you, or you may have misinterpreted the problem. Maybe the other person has gone through what you are going through or something similar. It is a mathematical solution really because two points of view are always better than just one.

Would you ease your own anxieties? Then pause and try placing your problems and anxieties second in line while considering the problems and anxieties of someone else. That's a tall order, but it is truly the best way to keep from being overwhelmed by self pity.

A case in point. One of our grand-daughters broke her foot. After moping about the house for a day or two, bemoaning the fact that the accident had really put a crimp in her plans, her mother gently reminded her that things could be much worse. That she should consider the plight of her cousin, who has M.S. She did

and immediately her perspective of her miseries changed.

There is such great truth in what the novelist, A. J. Cronin, wrote: "Worry never robstomorrow of its sorrow. It only saps today of its strength."

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The site offers information on health, education, travel, food, small businesses, cars, computers and federal programs and gives you the opportunity to read online or order a printed copy of the publication.

If you don't have a specific topic in mind to read up on, but want to be an overall educated consumer, check out the Publication of the Week section. You'll find information on timely issues such as preparing your home for disasters or healthy eating at every age.

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LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

by The FlyLady Marla Cilley Even though we have been told most of our lives that we are lazy, air heads and day dreamers; we have always known that was not what our problem. We may not have known what our issue was but we were trying hard get things done. We took those words into our brains and we have repeated them back to ourselves. Even when the people who said them were no longer in our presence their words haunted us. We don't have to live this way another day!

We have to ability to build our own selves up and we have the tools to do it! We are creative and strong! We may not have had parents who understood our character, but we survived! The other night I woke up from a dream and had to write down what I remembered. I was interviewing a doctor and I ask him how he cured this lady; I was told that all it took was for her to recognize her own beauty!

Each one of us has a light that shines. Some of our lights have been shaded by those negative words we have heard all our lives. We have to remove that shroud of sadness that has dimmed our lights and let our light shine! Let me start this process by reminding you that our parents did all they knew to do! Their little lights were dimmed too. We begin this process with forgiveness. Forgive them because they did

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not know what they were doing.

It is hard to see beauty when the light is not on! How can we rekindle that light? It is not as easy as just flipping a switch. It took years of that negativity to paper over our little lights. At times we were fumbling in the dark just grasping for any ray of hope! All we ever wanted was to be happy! Why weren't we happy! We searched high and low for something to make us happy! We didn't like that feeling of sadness; that's when we reached for things to deaden the pain. It could have been with food, alcohol, drugs, isolation, shopping, volunteering too much, work or obsessive control. Whatever your drug of choice was or is we don't have to hide who we are another moment.

I am reminded of a song that I used to sing in Sunday school. I want you to think of this song as a melody for your heart. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. I won't let anyone blow it out! I'm gonna let it shine! Hide it under a bushel - NO! I'm gonna let it shine! Let it shine over the whole wide world, I'm gonna let it shine.

Our brains are filled with negative sayings. I want you to think of this as a lampshade that has been plastered with things that have been cut out of the newspaper or a magazine. See it all cluttered up and in a jumbled mess. As we recognize those words that have dimmed our little lights, I want you to pull that piece of dark ugly aged paper off of your lampshade and see a little light shine through. You have the ability because you are creative! As we peel away those layers of negativity your beauty will shine! You knew it was there all the time!

Go shine your sink! This is not a metaphor. Take this action and see that little ray of hope for yourself! Your shiny sink is just the beginning! Let your light shine and see the beauty that is you! For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out her website

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MILK = HEALTH

A new health claim acknowledging the vital role of Vitamin D together with calcium for maintaining good bone health and reducing the risk of osteoporosis soon could appear on milk cartons.

The US Food and Drug Administration has approved a health claim urging Americans to boost their intakes of calcium and Vitamin D for bone health, suggesting that "adequate calcium and Vitamin D throughout life, as part of a well-balanced diet, may reduce the risk of osteoporosis."

During tough economic times, many families are economizing on groceries - but one thing they should not cut back on is nutrition. Milk is simply one of the most nutrient-rich beverages consumers can buy – and at about 25 cents per eight-ounce glass, on a gallon basis, milk offers more nutrients per penny than almost any other beverage option in the supermarket.

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up against the nutritional and economic value of a glass of milk. Its outstanding nutrient value is why the Dietary Guidelines for Americans states it is vital to drink three glasses of low-fat or fat-free milk each day. Now more than ever consumers should focus on the economic and nutritional value of the foods and beverages in their grocery carts, to make sure they're getting the most for their money. One of the products they can't afford to be without is milk. Go to www.winnersdrinkmilk.com for smart grocery shopping tips and to learn more about how milk is a smart nutritional buy for the entire family!

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