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*Thought for the Week: You cannot depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus. Mark Twain*

## LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Did you know the beginnings of Valentine's Day date back to the Romans in 496 A.D.? Did you know over 1 billion cards will be passed out this year? Did you know that Teacher's are the #1 recipient of Valentine's cards? Did you know Gebhart's Floral Barn will have everything you need for Valentine's Day? Of course!

Our full-service flower shop is getting ready for a wonderful week of love and affection! Flowers in all the Valentine's colors will abound, but so will the memory making! For 5 years running we will feature JH Pottery Works unique "LoveMug" and other beautiful pottery! And to make Valentine's even more memorable; you can schedule a 2hr Couples-In-Clay date on Friday and Saturday Feb 14th & 15th!

Whether it's flowers, pottery, or Valentine's cookies from Son-Rise Bakery, Gebhart's has you covered! Our hours are Monday-Friday 9am-5pm and Saturday's 9-12. We are honored to be a part of our community and sharing in the joy of loving one another!

## BASIC TRAINING CLASS

Grant County Purdue Extension has opened up registration for the 2020 Master Gardener Basic Training Class! This 13 week long course will begin on

Thursday, March 3, 2020 at the Grant County Fairgrounds from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and continue every Tuesday following until May 26th, 2020.

The fee for this program is \$150/individual or \$200/couple that would like to share materials.

If you are interested in more information about this program or would like to register please call Purdue Extension Grant county at 765.651.2413.

## HOMESPUN MARKET

Who can you bless this Valentine's Day? Homespun has a variety of gift items for that special someone.

Extended hours the week of Valentine's Day are as follows: Wednesday, February 12 from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thursday, February 13 from 10-5, and Friday, February 14 from 10-5 with regular Saturday hours from 9-2.

A variety of fresh flowers will be available from Blue Poppy Design. If you would like a special arrangement for your loved one pre-orders are preferred. Pre-orders will receive a 10% discount if ordered before Monday, February 11. Please call Tamara at 260-228-0390. Delivery is available.

If you live locally or far away we can deliver your purchase to a loved one in the city limits including

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Visit our Facebook page as we share updated photos of our products.

Homespun Market at 427 North Matilda Street in Warren.....Hours are Wednesday and Friday from 10-5 and Saturday from 9-2. Phone 260-375-3200.

## SPARK CLUB OPPORTUNITY

Spark Club open to youth in grades 3-12 at Fairmount Candle & Bath sponsored by Grant County 4-H on Saturday, March 14, 2020 from 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

Registration is \$35.00. Fees cover 4-H Enrollment (\$20), and fees for the day (\$15). If you have already registered for 4-H you will only have to cover the fees for the day.

Come learn how to make signs, candles, bubble bombs, bath bombs!

To register call 765.661.2413 or email grantces@purdue.edu. Act fast, because space is limited, so register by March 9th.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Indiana Farm Bureau is now accepting applications for its student scholarship program for the 2020-2021 school year. Each year, INFB awards 13 scholarships to incoming or current college students who are pursuing a career in agriculture.

The scholarships offered are the Marion Stackhouse Memorial Scholarship, two

Collegiate Farm Bureau Scholarships and 10 Carolyn Hegel Memorial Scholarships. The scholarship money can be applied to tuition, housing, books and other educational expenses.

The Marion Stackhouse Memorial Scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship named after the former INFB president, who served from 1976 to 1987. The scholarship is awarded to one student annually, based on their educational successes and career aspirations. Additionally, INFB awards 10 district scholarships. The Carolyn Hegel Memorial Scholarship is a \$500 scholarship named after the long-time INFB 2nd vice president, who served the organization for 26 years.

Applicants for the Marion Stackhouse Memorial Scholarship and the Carolyn Hegel Memorial Scholarship must be incoming or current college students pursuing a degree in agriculture and members of INFB.

For existing Collegiate Farm Bureau members, INFB awards two \$1,000 scholarships annually. Winners of these scholarships must be members of an INFB collegiate chapter at Purdue University, Vincennes University, Huntington University or Ancilla College.

"Indiana Farm Bureau is pleased to help support young men and women pursuing a future in

agriculture through our annual scholarship program," said Isabella Chism, INFB's 2nd vice president and chair of the women's leadership committee. "It's a great honor to grant these scholarships each year. If you know a student who meets the criteria, please encourage them to apply."

To apply for a scholarship, visit INFB's scholarships and grants page. The deadline to apply is March 1. The application asks students to detail their educational successes and answer several questions about their future educational and career goals.

Many county Farm Bureaus also offer annual scholarships for students in their area. To learn more, visit [www.infb.org](http://www.infb.org) and visit the Grants and Scholarships page under the Resources tab.

## 2020 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

When: Wednesday, February 19, 2020, from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ET / 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CT

Where: This program will be streamed live and can be viewed at multiple host sites across the state. The location closest to you is Blackford County Courthouse Annex located at 121 N High St., Hartford City, Indiana or you can watch it from your personal computer. Register to receive the link.

Who Should Attend: All

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## Kudos, Kicks & Karats

### FOR OUR CHILDREN, RISK IS OKAY—DANGER IS NOT

from the American Counseling Association  
 As parents, a common goal is to protect our children as much as possible. We don't want to see our kids hurt physically, emotionally or psychologically. And yet, most of us realize that such a goal is virtually impossible to achieve.

While it's relatively easy to try and keep our children from some physical harm through actions like making them buckle up every time they're in the car, making sure they have the necessary vaccinations, and keeping a regular schedule of doctor and dentist visits, kids are sometimes still going to get hurt just because they're kids. Climbing that tree probably seemed a good idea, just like sledding down that steep hill looked perfectly safe and riding that mountain bike off that jump looked like it would be nothing but a fun experience.

The reality is that kids often aren't able to see the danger in certain activities with the same clarity that parents can. Yet, despite our parental fears, it actually is a good thing for our kids to learn to take some risks, even if they fail at them sometimes. The intention for parents should be to help educate their child on the differences between danger and risk.

While climbing a tree will often look dangerous to a parent, a child will only see the challenge. But if the child has not been taught on safe ways to climb that tree, what height limits are okay and similar information, it can indeed be a perilous activity.

When a parent can instruct on how to minimize danger and instead enjoy the benefits and thrills that overcoming risk can offer, the parent is helping their child develop in a healthy way. Children are very sensitive to things that are bothering or worrying their parents, and if a parent is communicating constantly the need to be careful or to avoid most situations or activities, it only heightens a child's fears and feelings of insecurity.

But when a parent encourages sensible risk, and helps teach a child how to approach and conquer such risk, they are helping that child to grow and feel more secure, confident and successful.

We all want our children's world to contain as little danger as possible, but encouraging a child to take on some risk and teaching them to do it in safe ways is essential to having that child develop into a strong, secure adult.

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

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

**BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**  
 Chad Yoder, Pastor  
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp  
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 Pastor Wayne Couch  
 260/515-2517  
 Sunday Prayer ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Daycare provided during Worship

**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**  
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779  
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor  
 Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.

**HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**  
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726  
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor  
 1st Worship..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

**THE NEW BEGINNING**  
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto  
 Steve Sutton, Pastor  
 765/728-2065 for more info  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.  
 Thursday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

**HERITAGE POINTE**  
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz & Dick Case  
 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT  
 Monday thru Friday  
 Chapel Services ..... 9:00 a.m.

**WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 727 N Wayne St, Warren  
 260-375-2811  
 office@warrenfirsbaptist.net  
 Pator Rusty Strickler  
 Youth Dir: Peter & Mindy Fairchild  
 Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship .....10:00 a.m.  
 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ..Sun 11:30  
 Ekklesia ..... Sun 6:30pm

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

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

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

**LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 694-6622  
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:00a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15a.m.  
 Tues. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Choir ..... 6:30p.m.  
 Monthly Meetings  
 1st Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am  
 4th Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm

**LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Pastor Diane Samuels  
 Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.

**THE CHURCH AT MCNATT**  
 375-4359  
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor  
 Lois Slusher, Supt.  
 Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.  
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST**  
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124  
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"  
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Youth ..... 4-6 p.m.  
 Everyone is Welcome

**SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN**  
 468-2412  
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor  
 Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
 Church School ..... 10:45a.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-2102  
 Pastor Scott Nedberg  
 Youth Pastor Troy & Mindy Drayer  
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.  
 Sunday School all ages ..... 10:45 a.m.  
 Youth Group-Wed ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

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

**VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 765-934-1431  
 Pastor Cindy Osgood  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30 am  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30am  
 Not Home Alone - Wed ..... 3:00 pm  
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) ..... 7:00 pm  
 UMW 2nd Wed ..... 7:00 pm  
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am  
 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue ..... 12:00 pm  
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**WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-3022  
 Ethan T Stivers, Senior Minister  
 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister  
 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.  
 Tara Bower - Secretary  
[www.warrenchurchofchrist.org](http://www.warrenchurchofchrist.org)  
 Fellowship .....9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion .....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School .....11 to 11:50 a.m.  
 Youth:  
 K-6th grade, Mon ..... 6:15-7pm  
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm

**WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**  
 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren  
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor  
 Wesley Welch, Supt.  
 Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Wed Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.

**FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN  
 765-934-3609  
 Pastor Al Soultz  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am  
 Sunday School Classes .....9:30 am  
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm  
 Thurs. Bible Study .....7:00 pm



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## AREA NEWS

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individuals involved in local government budgeting (county councils and commissioners, mayors and city councils, town boards, school boards, library boards, townships, etc.) Cost and Registration: This webinar is free. To register, contact Blackford County Extension Office by phone at 765-348-3213 or email brow1334@purdue.edu. You can also register online at [www.cdext.purdue.edu](http://www.cdext.purdue.edu).

Please register by Friday, February 14, 2020. Why: Indiana started off 2020 with \$2.3 billion in the bank, added money in the state revenue forecast, and, of course, a new legislative session. We'll take a look at what all this means for local and state government as well as give an update on the farmland base rate in this On Local Government.

If you need reasonable accommodation to attend, please contact Purdue Extension Blackford County prior to the program.

### COFFEE & CANVAS

Coffee and Canvas, a Grant County 4-H Benefit Event, will be hosted on Friday, February 21, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Grant County Fairgrounds. The cost is \$30 per person. Proceeds go to the Grant County 4-H Program.

Immerse yourself in the creativity of an art night for the family.

To reserve your spot and for more information, contact

the Purdue Extension - Grant County Office at 765.661.2413.

### BIPPUS RECORD EARNINGS

Bippus State Corporation, the holding company for The Bippus State Bank, reported record net income of \$3.7 million, or \$7.73 per share for the twelve months ended December 31, 2019, an increase of \$427 thousand (13.05%), from the twelve months ended December 31, 2018. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2019, the return on average assets (ROA) for the bank was 2.04% and return on average equity (ROE) was 18.54%, compared to the twelve months ended December 31, 2018 ROA of 1.93% and ROE of 18.78%.

For the quarter ended December 31, 2019, the Bank's net income totaled \$1.02 million, or \$3.18 per share, an increase of \$220 thousand (27.36%), from the quarter ended December 31, 2018.

The Bippus State Bank is proud to announce a record earnings year. The 2019 annual record earnings were driven by net interest income, increasing 10.16%, and noninterest income, increasing 6.35%. "The increase in net interest income is attributable to a strategy of growing 1-4 Family Real Estate, Commercial/Agricultural loan portfolios and core deposits from the markets we serve. In addition, the bank actively manages the mix of its assets and liabilities, asset yields and funding costs to lessen the impact to the net interest

margin. The increase in noninterest income benefited from continued expansion of mortgage banking and retail banking services," said Eric Fawcett, President. "Additionally, we are excited to celebrate our 109th year of community banking in 2020. We have had the sincere honor of serving our customers and communities for over a century. As we continue to grow, we are committed to service and excellence for the long term," Fawcett added.

Bippus State Corporation is headquartered at 150 Hauenstein Road, Huntington, Indiana. The company offers a full array of banking and investment services to its customers through its main office in Huntington and four full-service Indiana offices in Huntington, Roanoke, North Manchester and Warren. Our web site address is [www.bippusbank.com](http://www.bippusbank.com).

### FINDING NEVERLAND

Finding Neverland tells the incredible story behind one of the world's most beloved characters: Peter Pan. Playwright J.M. Barrie struggles to find inspiration until he meets four young brothers and their beautiful widowed mother. With a little bit of pixie dust and a lot of faith, Barrie takes this monumental leap, leaving his old world behind for Neverland, where nothing is

impossible and the wonder of childhood lasts forever.

Finding Neverland is coming to Emens Auditorium, Ball State University on February 17 at 7:30 p.m. Attached is a press release for the performance.

### DEAN'S LIST

The University of Hartford is pleased to announce Sophia Smekens of Warren has been named to its Dean's List for Fall 2019.

Spread across seven dynamic schools and colleges, the University of Hartford has been guiding the purpose and passion of students for over six decades. On our 350-acre campus alongside Connecticut's capital city, approximately 4,800 undergraduate and 2,000 graduate students representing all 50 states and 51 countries come together for a common purpose: to collaborate across different disciplines, diversify perspectives, and broaden worldviews. We're a four-year private university focused on advancing the public good through meaningful connections within our communities. Our unique approach to comprehensive education gives us the critical perspectives that lead to impactful change, regionally and beyond. With degree programs spanning the arts, humanities, business, engineering and technology,

education, and health professions, we focus on doing the work that matters.

### A NYC BROADWAY SHOW TRIP

Day # 1

By Larry Ryan

The tour bus left Ft. Wayne at 7:15 am. Additional travelers were picked up in New Haven and Van Wert, OH. We took rest stops regularly to dismiss the early morning coffee that several passengers had imbibed. Stopped for lunch near Akron. Other stops occurred west of Youngstown and north of State College, PA, which is home to Penn State University.

I personally think that these stops should be named, "Exercise Stops" since the legs also get released from hibernation. The tour director strongly recommended departing the bus for these occasions. Most took advantage of the "pause and exercise that refreshes." And for most, the walk to the privacy rooms came first.

Leftover Danish, donuts, and fresh fruit were consumed at the first "exercise stop." Everyone stepped up and took their fair share. We weren't very hungry yet, but temptation took control.

On our first travel day, we witnessed flat grain fields with newly germinated plants barely inches tall; fully-leaved trees with bright, verdant coloring; rolling hills;

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## Community Calendar

Items listed here are open to the public. If there is an admission charge or items are for sale or a donation is necessary, there is a one-time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is canceled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

|        |        |                             |
|--------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Feb 5  | Noon   | W - Chamber Luncheon at KBC |
| Feb 5  | 7 pm   | V - Town Council Meeting    |
| Feb 10 | 5 pm   | W - Town Council Meeting    |
| Feb 11 | 6:30pm | W - SSF Meeting at KBC      |
| Feb 14 |        | VALENTINE'S DAY             |
| Feb 17 |        | PRESIDENT'S DAY             |
| Feb 19 | 7 pm   | V - Town Council Meeting    |
| Mar 4  | Noon   | W - Chamber Luncheon at KBC |

**Bread of Life Food Pantry** - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC  
**Bargain Basement** - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; **Cancer Support Group** - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus  
 These Events Can Also Be Found at [www.warrenweeklyindiana.com](http://www.warrenweeklyindiana.com)



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mountains with intermingled ridges of various heights; valleys of geometric dimensions; meandering waterways consisting of narrow creeks with white-foaming rapids; and wide, gentle flowing rivers. In Pennsylvania there were many scenic vistas to be observed from the bus windows. Due to the terrain, there was limited tillable ground, but large barns and livestock were present.

We spent the night in Hazelton, PA. The northwest vista at the motel allowed a beautiful view of a wide valley from the south rim to a long, elevated ridge to the north and west. It probably was a distance of about 5 miles across. In the valley were geometrically-shaped, plowed fields which created a stark contrast of color from the green background of trees lining the rising, north landscape. Also from this vantage point, a glimpse of an inviting golf course was seen. No clubs and no time.

On the opposite side of the motel and on top of a sheer cliff were straight-trunked, fully-leaved trees sprouting skyward.

More next week.

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## A DOCTOR’S COMMON-SENSE APPROACH TO HEARTBURN RELIEF

(StatePoint) Indigestion is on the rise worldwide and is especially prevalent in the U.S. According to the American College of Gastroenterology, 60 million Americans suffer from heartburn at least once a month. While it’s a common issue for older people due to aging, it’s now a growing problem for younger adults as well, who report increasing bouts of indigestion, upset stomach, and anxious stomach, which may be linked to stress and hectic lifestyles

“When the acid in your stomach rises into your esophagus, that’s when you know you have heartburn,” says Dr. Ken Redcross, a board-certified physician in internal medicine and author of “Bond: The 4 Cornerstones of a Lasting and Caring Relationship with Your Doctor.” He explains that heartburn is more than just a minor discomfort, and it can impact daily life. “Heartburn can cause chest pain, difficulty swallowing, and even interfere with sleep. While there are many contributing factors, whatever the cause, it’s uncomfortable and important to manage.”

Suffering from indigestion and heartburn? Dr. Redcross recommends a few simple measures that may help you find relief.

- When embarking on a new diet to improve health and wellness, the last thing you may expect to suffer from are digestive issues. But a sudden change to one’s diet is frequently the source of heartburn. Keto diets in particular can trigger

heartburn as the diet requires upping the intake of fat, which takes longer to leave the stomach. If you are starting a new diet, it can be helpful to change your diet more gradually.

- Indigestion from travel is common, as being away from home often means eating unfamiliar foods and keeping odd hours. When on the go, (or all the time) stick mostly with tried-and-true foods you know that sit well, attempt to keep a regular eating schedule, and wear loose, comfortable clothing.
- Eating too fast or too much can also contribute to indigestion. Slow down and savor your food. Also, consider consuming smaller portions at a time.
- Try to incorporate some movement into your daily routine, particularly after meals, as lying down directly after eating can be a source of indigestion. Exercise can also help you maintain a healthy weight, which is another important factor in managing indigestion.
- Know your triggers. For some, certain foods like citrus, spices, fatty food, and alcoholic or caffeinated beverages can trigger symptoms. Knowing your specific triggers can help you avoid them.
- Be prepared to address symptoms when they strike.

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For a happy, healthy belly, learn your indigestion triggers and be prepared to manage symptoms.

## 5 TIPS TO HELP OLDER ADULTS BE HEALTHIER IN 2020

(StatePoint) For many, the new year is about establishing goals for the year ahead. But where should you start? As we age, an increasing number of us link our emotional and physical well-being to our overall health. After all, you can’t do the things you’d like if you aren’t healthy.

With that in mind, Cigna and its Medicare Advantage (MA) fitness partner, the Silver&Fit Healthy Aging and Exercise Program, share these five tips to help older adults get fitter and stronger and be less stressed and happier in 2020:

1. Hit the gym. Exercise is a proven way to help you get

fitter and stronger, improve balance, lose weight, reduce blood pressure, improve cardiovascular health, manage pain and even be more social. Many gyms offer such options as free weights, machines, pools, classes, private instructors and other amenities that can inspire you to try new things. Prefer working out with others? Group classes can help you discover a new exercise, stick to a schedule and find exercise buddies. If you’re new to exercise, remember that slow and steady is the way to build good habits, avoid injury and achieve health goals. It’s always a good idea to consult your doctor before starting any new exercise program.

Can’t afford a gym membership? You may be surprised to learn that many MA plans offer exercise programs at top fitness centers and YMCAs for no extra cost. Check your plan for details.

2. Nourish your body. For optimal health, nourish your body with healthy, energizing foods, including fruits, vegetables, grains, fish and healthy oils, such as olive oil and sesame oil. Limit pre-packaged, processed foods. Set an

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# GENEALOGY REPORT

## RUNKEL

Kimberly C. Runkel, 56, of Tucson, AZ, and formerly of Huntington, IN, died Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2020, at 4 p.m. at her home.

Ms. Runkel was a 1981 graduate of Huntington North High School and worked at Huggy Bear in Warren.


She was born Aug. 23, 1963, in Marion to George and Pat Runkel. Her father survives in Andrews.

Additional survivors include two sons, Dakota Foster and Chayton Foster, both of Tucson, AZ; a stepson, Joshua Donald, of Tucson, AZ; a brother, Patrick Runkel, of Huntington; a sister, Jackie (Mitchel) Hobbs, of Huntington; two grandchildren; and her ex-husband, Mike Foster, of Tucson, AZ.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Samantha M. Foster.

There will be no visitation or funeral services at this time.

## LANE

 Steven A. Lane, 70, of North Manchester, IN, and having family in Warren, IN, died Jan. 31, 2020, at Parkview Wabash Hospital, in Wabash.

After graduating from Akron High School, Mr. Lane joined the United States Army. He was also a member of the American Legion. He worked at Zimmer as a tool and die maker for 26 years, retiring in 2014. He fought cancer for the last 16 years.

He was born Aug. 11, 1949, in Wabash to Eugene and Hazel Miller Lane. He married Lavaughna Woods on Nov. 23, 1977, and she survives.


Survivors include two daughters, Katie (Andrew) Robinson and Kelly Aust, both of North Manchester; three brothers, Junior (Viola) Lane, of Speicherville; Jerry (Robin) Lane, of Warren; and Larry Lane, of North Manchester; five sisters, Rosie (Larry) Miller and Peggy (Jerry) Shepler, both of Wabash, and Iva Wright, Linda Allen and April Young, all of North Manchester; four

grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Calling is Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2020, from 1p.m. to 3 p.m. at McKee Mortuary, 1401 Ind.-114W, North Manchester. A funeral service will follow immediately after at 3 p.m. at the funeral home, with Rev. J.P. Freeman officiating. Burial will be at Oaklawn Cemetery, 600 Beckley St., North Manchester.

Memorials are to Miles for Myeloma Fund, PO Box 7072, Indianapolis, IN 46207.

## WILSON

 Jack M. Wilson, 91, of Warren, IN, and formerly of Huntington, IN, died Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020, at Wesleyan Healthcare Center in Marion.

Mr. Wilson served his country in World War II, enlisting in the United States Navy at the age of 17, and he later served in the marines and the army. Following military service, he worked as a switchman for the railroad and later for Sunday Visitor/Noll Printing as a journeyman printer until his retirement.

He was born in 1928 to John and Lucille Wilson. His wife, Emilie, preceded him in death.

They were parents to two daughters, grandparents to five and great-grandparents to eight.

A celebration of life will be shared at the family cottage in Michigan later this summer.

Memorials are to Huntington County Community Foundation – 2 4 Golf, in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford St., Huntington, IN 46750.

## FRIAR

Jeffery L. Friar, 77, of Hartford City, passed away Monday, Jan. 27, 2020, at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis.

He was born Oct. 9, 1942, in Bluffton, to Olin Friar and Jane Williamson-Nestleroad. He married Karen Kunkel-



Smekens Nov. 19, 1989, in Las Vegas. She survives.

Jeff was a 1961 graduate of Chester Center High School. After high school he worked at Essex Wire in Marion, and Franklin Electric in Bluffton, before dedicating the bulk of his career as a skilled tradesman for the International Association of Ironworkers, Local 147 in Fort Wayne.

Jeff and his wife Karen made many cherished memories vacationing with friends and family, but always enjoyed returning home to their residence in rural Blackford County. He loved working outdoors and took great pride in maintaining a beautifully landscaped yard and home. An avid fan of whatever his grandchildren were involved in, Jeff attended countless games, meets, concerts, and events to show his loving support. When he wasn't in the bleachers watching grandkids, Jeff was rooting for Indiana basketball and the Indianapolis Colts.

Loving survivors include his wife of 31 years, Karen Friar of Hartford City; a son, Jay (Judy) Friar of Pennville; daughters, Teresa Dollar of Montpelier and Jennie (Clayton) Hunter of Tampa, Fla.; stepchildren Brady (Kristina) Smekens of Warren and Angie (Scott) Harris of Poneto; sister, Cheryl Powell of Montpelier; stepsister, Ann Schoff of Greenville, Ohio; stepbrother, Keith Nestleroad of Montpelier; 13 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Suzanne Friar Harris; brother, Charlie Nestleroad; stepsisters, Rita Buyer and Kaye Hartman; and niece, Debbie Harris.

Family and friends may gather to share memories at Walker-Glancy Funeral Home in Montpelier Thursday, January 30 from 3 to 8 p.m. A service to celebrate Jeff's life will occur at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 31, at Walker-Glancy Funeral Home, with viewing beginning at 10 a.m. Interment will follow at the

Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton.

Memorials may be made to the Southern Wells Athletic Boosters.

## SURFUS

Mary Jane Surfus, 20, of Huntington, IN, passed away at 12:45 AM on



Monday, February 03, 2020 at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana in Fort Wayne, IN.

She was born on Sunday, June 13, 1999, in Bluffton, IN.

Mary was a 2018 graduate of Huntington North High School. She attended the Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton, IN. She worked at UTZ in Bluffton, IN. Mary loved that her Dad was the one who baptized her. She enjoyed new adventures, camping, auto racing, downhill skiing, and thought it was cool that she could keep up with the guys on xbox. Mary also loved Christmas time, cooking, meteor showers, and even went to Kentucky to watch the eclipse.

She will be sadly missed by her Parents - Troy David & Carolyn Jane (Brinneman) Surfus, Warren, IN, Companion - Noah Goodrich, Warren, IN, Maternal Grandmother - Mary Lee Brinneman, Warren, IN, Paternal Grandmother - Roxanna (Ernest Chapman) Surfus, Warren, IN, Brother - Quintin Troy (Becca) Surfus, Ft. Wayne, IN, and Sister - Hanna Rose Surfus, Warren, IN.

She was preceded in death by her Maternal Grandfather - Ronald Brinneman, and Paternal Grandfather - David Doyle Surfus.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Glancy H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St. Warren, IN, on Friday, February 07, 2020 from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

A service to celebrate Mary's life will follow at Glancy-H, Brown & Son Funeral Home at 5:00 PM on Friday, February 07, 2020 with Chaplain Gerald

Moreland officiating. Interment will follow in the Lancaster Cemetery in Huntington.

Preferred memorials: Hope Missionary Church 429 E. Dustman Rd. Bluffton IN 46714

## KELLOGG

Barbara Sue Kellogg, age 86, a former Pennville resident passed away peacefully on



January 31, 2020 just before sunrise at Heritage Pointe in Warren, Indiana.

Barbara was born April 10, 1933 in Dunkirk, Indiana, the daughter of Ray and Kathaleen (Fulkerson) Platt. She graduated from Pennville High School in 1951 and attended Ball State University. Barbara was a wonderful mother, spouse and friend. She shared her God-given gifts of hospitality, acceptance, creativity, and love of nature with all she met. Throughout the years, Barb was a member of socially active groups, such as The United Methodist Women, Toastmasters in Elkhart County, En Avant in Pennville, and delighted in the Arts. Barb enjoyed various employment opportunities utilizing her talents, such as an insurance agent for Horace Mann, working for The Center for Community Justice and other people-related positions. She ultimately achieved her dream of owning a business focused+ on lifting up children through books on tape and professional clowning called Mitzi Sue Enterprises. Barb will be remembered as a friend to many and her life as one well-lived.

Barbara married Rev. Frederick Kellogg on May 3, 1991. He passed away on August 2, 2019.

Survivors Include Her Children: Joi (Brad) Jimison - Elkhart, IN, Mark (Kris) Scher - Mishawaka, IN, Amy (David) Reimschisel - Leo, IN, Jill

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(Patrick) Mohan - Elkhart, IN Her Step-Children: Sonya Foster and Carlene Korber, Florida and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 12:30 p.m. at Salamonia Cemetery in Salamonia, Indiana.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 1-2 p.m. in the chapel at Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN.

Memorial services will follow at 2 p.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2020, at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Although Barbara loved flowers, she requested that sympathy of remembrances be given to Heritage Pointe, Warren, IN; McNatt United Methodist Church, Warren, IN or Family LifeCare, Berne, IN.

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achievable goal. Try cutting out one unhealthy food each month, such as sugary soft drinks or chips. Your body will love you for it! Also, stay hydrated, especially when exercising.

At the same time, eliminate unhealthy habits, such as smoking or drinking alcohol in excess. With an MA plan, you may be able to get help with smoking cessation products or alcohol counseling at no extra cost.

3. Stress less. Stress can be toxic and debilitating. Develop a "PLAN" to deal with it. According to Cigna's Dr. Stuart L. Lustig, this includes identifying a Period of time to unwind, a Location to de-stress, an Activity to enjoy and the Name of someone with whom you can talk. Yoga, tai chi and meditation may help you cope with stress, as well as going for walks, listening to music, comedy or audio books -- or even coloring. If you're experiencing extreme stress, talk to your doctor. Remember, the mind and body are connected, and stress takes its toll on physical health.

4. Get social. According to a 2018 Cigna survey, loneliness in America has reached epidemic levels. Nearly half of Americans report sometimes or always feeling alone (46 percent) or left out (47 percent). Loneliness has

been shown to negatively impact physical and mental health. Alleviate loneliness by taking one proactive step each week. For example, call or get coffee with friends or family, join a club or volunteer. You can also connect with other active adults on social media. Check out the inspirational health and fitness posts on the @SilverandFit Facebook page and join in the conversations.

5. Practice gratitude. Happiness comes with thankfulness. Think about people and things you feel grateful for, and start a gratitude journal.

By doing your best to incorporate these five tips into your life, you'll kick-start your journey toward a healthier 2020.

## HOW TO TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT TOUGH MONEY MATTERS

(StatePoint) Has your family discussed money concerns?

Clinical psychologists note that when kids don't have enough information about something, they may become anxious, make up their own explanations -- which can include blaming themselves for a perceived problem -- or seek information from other, potentially unreliable sources. They recommend talking to your children about financial concerns, keeping in mind that the level of detail shared should be based on your child's age.

Preschool and Elementary Age

Experts suggest limiting financial discussion with very young children to the basics. If the economy is struggling, you might tell them that this can happen when businesses

spend more money than they have and have to pay back what they borrowed, which means those businesses don't have money to spend on other things, like employees. You might also explain that when money is tighter, they may need to wait a little longer to get certain items such as new toys.

Psychologists emphasize the need to be honest, but reassuring, letting children know that tough financial times are only temporary and that you will always provide them with everything they need.

"Tweens" and Teens

Children in this age group are old enough for you to explain what financial terms mean and why the economy doesn't always perform well. You might also provide an overview of how credit works, introducing terms such as interest, risk and liability.

You could also engage your kids in family budget decisions, particularly should you feel a financial pinch. If they want to go on a vacation or buy that new video game system, ask for their ideas on how to save up the money. If you can't afford to eat out as often, let them pick a favorite restaurant for a special monthly or quarterly meal. You might also consider encouraging older children to get jobs so they can earn their own spending money.

College Kids

Experts say that at this age, families should be open and straightforward when discussing finances. In addition to helping college-age kids understand a change in the economy or other financial development, explain what it could mean

for your family's financial situation and whether it could impact them. Tell them how you've been spending and saving, describe struggles you've faced, and outline the steps you'll take to shore up finances. You can also help them build their own budgets and saving plans. Being honest about financial mistakes you've made can help your children avoid them in the future.

For more tips on teaching kids about money, visit [letsmakeaplan.org](https://letsmakeaplan.org).

Explaining your family's financial situation will not only help your children make sense of what's happening, it will provide them with confidence and a foundation of financial knowledge that will carry them into adulthood.

## 6 TIPS FOR AVOIDING EMOTIONAL SPENDING

(StatePoint) Decisions about spending money are often driven by emotions, even if what your heart is telling you goes against logic. Emotional financial choices may provide you with short-term happiness, but they are just as likely to result in long-term regret or debt.

Here are six tips for making spending decisions, without allowing your emotions to take over.

- Get an accurate picture of what it costs to maintain your lifestyle and fund your goals. Knowing your fixed and variable expenses and being able to quantify your goals in terms of dollars and timeframes will help you understand what you can afford to spend in the near term.

- Ask yourself if you want something or need something before you buy it. If you do need it, or if it will make a huge difference in your life and you can pay for it right away without touching funds that are earmarked for other important goals, then go for it.

- Pause and think twice before buying large items.

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When making major purchases (for example, over \$500), take some time between deciding to buy and making the actual purchase. Prioritize your expenditures by categorizing them in terms of cost and effect. For example, you should pay your health insurance and car insurance before booking a short-term vacation.

- Make a list before shopping. Whether shopping for groceries, household items or gifts, creating a list -- and sticking to it -- will help you avoid impulse buys and save money.

- Shop for major holidays throughout the year. Set a budget for annual gifts early in the year and take the time to comparison shop to find the best prices and take advantage of discounts when you find them. This not only helps to spread out giving expenses, it also ensures you do not pay a premium for last-minute purchases.

- Experts say financially savvy people know their emotional triggers for spending, and are able to rein them in when necessary. Unfortunately, this is not easy for everyone. However, working with a Certified Financial Planner (CFP) professional to manage your spending can help you stay focused on achieving your long-term financial goals. To find a CFP professional near you who can help you look at your life through a financial lens and avoid the cost of emotionally driven decisions, visit [www.letsmakeaplan.org](http://www.letsmakeaplan.org).

Remember that your financial priorities should almost always be focused on your long-term goals. A bit of planning and some outside help can go a long way toward better spending decisions.

### WRITE MORE LETTERS TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY

(StatePoint) In an age of instant messages, video chats and social media, the art of letter writing has become rare. But sitting down to write

correspondence by hand can be a much more personal way to connect than some of the modern modes of communication. Not only does it give you ample opportunity to express yourself, it gives your recipient something tangible to hold onto and revisit.

International Correspondence Writing Month (InCoWriMo), celebrated in February, is the perfect opportunity to hone your letter-writing skills. This month-long challenge invites you to hand-write and mail or deliver one letter, card, note or postcard every day of the month.

If it's been some time since you last corresponded by snail mail, you may find your letter-writing skills to be a bit rusty. To help you be successful during InCoWriMo and beyond, the experts at Pilot Pen are offering some tips:

1. Make Lasting Connections. Writing and mailing letters daily may feel a bit intimidating, but why should it? Did you text someone today? Did you send an email? If the answer is yes, you're already halfway there. Put pen to paper instead and add a more personal, analog touch to your daily communication. Reconnect with long distance friends, send happy mail to your parents, or explore the opportunity to encourage a soldier overseas and make a new friend in the process. Whoever you choose to write to this process, it will help create a physical reminder of the connection between you and your recipient.

2. Pick Great Tools. A trusty pen can get you through any deadline, to-do list or thank you note. Wielding this powerful tool will automatically help you feel capable of taking on new challenges. During the month of February, Pilot Pen suggests picking up a pen designed to help you author your best correspondence, as well as overachieve in every aspect of your life. With G2, America's number one selling, longest-lasting gel

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3. Get Inspired. Not sure where to start? Think of each recipient and what makes them special to you. Share favorite memories or accomplishments that make you extra proud of them. Then, share one anecdote or piece of news from your life. In our increasingly digital lives, your unique handwritten sentiments will likely bring a welcome bit of cheer into their day.

4. Get Personal. Remember: the written word is powerful, especially when it's personal. Give each note a special touch by writing it on monogrammed stationery or a special postcard. You can take this personalization concept one step further by using different pens for each recipient. With four pen point sizes ranging from ultra-fine to bold and more than 25 ink color options, including pastels, and metallics, there's sure to be a G2 pen suited to your writing style and your recipient's tastes.

For tools and inspiration, visit [powertothepen.com](http://powertothepen.com) and [instagram.com/pilotpenusa](http://instagram.com/pilotpenusa).

By rediscovering the art of handwritten correspondence this February, you'll give yourself 29 meaningful chances to connect with pen pals all over the globe.

### HOW TO TROUBLESHOOT YOUR TECHNOLOGY ISSUES

(StatePoint) If you're like most people, you've spent more time than you're willing to admit troubleshooting a technology issue with any one of the many devices in your connected home. Did you know that the average person owns at least 10 connected devices from Macs and PCs, smartphones, tablets and printers, to voice assistants, video doorbells and even home automation systems?

As homes get "smarter" with more connected devices, more complex problems arise, including issues with setup, troubleshooting and syncing devices. Calling the manufacturer or going to the store where you bought the device could help, if it's still under warranty. Trying to diagnose and solve the problem yourself might work, if you have time, patience and some know-how.

But what many people really need is an IT expert on-call, ready to solve all their personal tech issues...but how realistic or affordable is that?

"Subscribing to a technical support plan is actually an increasingly popular option for consumers who want to keep their tech working 24/7. Many plans provide a professional, remote, 'IT team' available anytime you run into trouble. This can help keep costs low since the team resolves your tech issues by phone, chat or by virtually remoting into your device," says Renée Soulliard, of Support.com.

Googling "tech support" brings up numerous options that promise to solve your various tech problems. With so many options, how do you know which ones are reliable?

Fraudulent tech support companies continue to get more sophisticated and difficult to detect, warns Soulliard. "To find a trusted tech support provider, choose one with a long history and highly trained, professional tech support agents," she says.

Here are some potential questions to ask while evaluating tech support providers:

- How long has the company been in business?

- Are the company and its agents US-based?

- Is there a limit to how many devices are covered? Are there any restrictions on the types of devices, brands or problems covered?

- What operating systems are covered?

- Is the support provided unlimited? Is support available 24/7?

- Are there monthly plans available or just annual plans? Are there set-up fees?

- Are there any guarantees if my issue can't be resolved? Can I cancel any time?

- Do I have access to support via phone and chat? Is online self-support available?

- Can I schedule a time to have a tech support agent contact me?

- What do other customers say about the service?

Look for an affordable monthly or annual subscription plan that offers unlimited tech support for any issue with your connected devices, regardless of the type of device, brand, or where you bought it. Plans can cost as low as \$10 per month with no long-term commitment. Find tech support providers with US-based support agents that offer a range of support options, including phone, chat, or video-based "virtual house calls." You could even try the free self-support tools from Support.com's TechSolutions or, if you need more help, learn more about their tech support plans at [www.support.com](http://www.support.com).

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