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Thought for the Week: Life is a reciprocal exchange. To move forward, you have to give back. Oprah Winfrey



## HONORED FOR FIFTY YEARS

At the November 19th meeting of the IVFA (Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association) at the Mt Etna Fire Station, Larry Poulson of Warren was presented his Fifty Year Pin and Gold Card for his fifty years of membership in the Warren/Salamonie Township Volunteer Fire Department.

During his forty-one years of active service, Poulson held several positions within the Department, including that of Fire Chief.

Pictured l-r: Lee Poulson, and Larry Poulson of WVFD and Walt Reiter and Jean Smith from the IVFA.

## ROADRUNNER TRIP

December 3rd, Monday- Buffet Breakfast Trip & Shopping at Grabill Country Sales

We're headed to Grabill to enjoy breakfast and browse or shop at Grabill Country Sales. This is a bulk food store that has pre-packaged items from small to large to suit customer's needs. They have a huge selection of spices, soup mixes, baking supplies, dried fruit, nuts, noodles and pasta. Select from 18 varieties of coffee beans you can grind or purchase freshly ground peanut butter. The "Sampling Wagon" has different types of food each day to sample. The Deli has sliced meats; cheeses and side dishes available for carry out. Leave 8:00 a.m. Call by December 1st to reserve

a seat.

All trips leave from the Warren Church of Christ parking lot at 302 N. Wayne St., Warren, IN. Contact Colleen Franklin at (260) 414-0223 for details.

## CASINO TRIP

Popeye's Adventures has a bus trip to FireKeepers Casino in Battle Creek, Mi. scheduled for Saturday, December 8. Pickups will be at the parking lot of previous Comfort Inn in Warren and the Walmart parking lot in Marion. The cost is \$30. The casino is giving \$20 in slot play and \$5 toward food. For more information call Steve at 260-413-9274 or Suzette at 260-375-4130.

## ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

The Warren Sportsman's Club will be having an All You Can Eat Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Saturday, December 1st from 6:30-10:00. Come out and enjoy a great breakfast before you do some Christmas Shopping. The cost is still \$6.00 for Adults, \$4.00 for kids 5-12 and children under the age of 5 eat for free. We really appreciate all the support that we get from our local community. I hope we see you on Saturday, December 1st from 6:30-10:00.

## FREE SOUP SUPPER

The Warren Sportsman's Club will be having their annual Free Soup Supper on Wednesday, December 5th from 5:30-7:00. This is a Free Soup Supper and open to the public. All we ask is that you may a non-perishable food or paper item or a money donation. All donations will be given to our local Bread of Life Food Pantry. We will be serving 8 kinds of soup, so come out and enjoy supper with us. We hope to see you at the Sportsman's Club on Wednesday, December 5th between 5:30-7:00.

## HP HAPPENINGS

Heritage Pointe in Warren will be hosting the 1st annual Festival of Trees to be held on November 30 to December 2nd in the Fults Recreation Room of Heritage Pointe.

Many Christmas trees will be on display by residents and staff for you to enjoy. Trees will be in the categories of traditional, department/business and theme which is "Memories of Christmas Past."

Hours for the show will be 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday Nov. 30th and

Saturday December 1st from 9 to 3 and Sunday December 2nd from 12 noon to 4. Sundays show will be open before and after the Fine Arts program in which The Yorks from Decatur Indiana will be featured.

Another event at Heritage Pointe will be a Christmas village display in the Applegate Cove. John Williams, a former resident of Warren has brought this village for us to view for the month of December. The village is quite large and is very entertaining to

look at.

Stop by and enjoy the festivities of Heritage Pointe to kick off the holiday season.

## TURKEY TROT WINNER

Placing first in the fifteen and under Male division was Matthew Dewitt, Warren, IN with a time of 18:17.5. Congratulations!

Over 850 participants raised

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## "I DOUBLE-DOG DARE YA!"

The Boys from "A CHRISTMAS STORY," Isaac Albertson as Schwartz (left), Keswick Shultz as Flick (center), & Ben Warpup as Ralphie (right), DARE FLICK to put his tongue on the frozen flagpole.

Performances for "A CHRISTMAS STORY" continue at the PULSE OPERAHOUSE, downtown Warren, on November 29, 30 and December 1, 6, 7, 8 at 8pm. Tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$5 for children 12 and under and are available at 7:00 p.m. in the lobby. Doors to the theatre open at 7:30 p.m. Show starts at 8:00 p.m. Online reservations can be made at [www.pulseoperahouse.org](http://www.pulseoperahouse.org) or phone reservations can be made at (260) 375-7017.

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## KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

### THANK YOU!

We want to thank the ladies that held the fund raiser to fix the fence around the Schwob Field. Also thanks to the Warren Baseball and Softball League for their fund raiser also.

The ladies are Amy Minnich and Tiffany Loftis.

I visited Warren not long ago and the fence and field looks great. We as a family appreciate this act of kindness very much.

Norma Schwob Sliger, North Webster  
 Dale and Willa Dene Schwob Marion  
 Shirley Schwob Miller, Bakersville NC  
 Linda (Schwob) & Marvin Gephart, Van Buren

### THANK YOU

Plum Tree United Church of Christ would like to thank everyone who supported us during our annual pancake and sausage breakfast. With your help we were able to make a donation of over \$400 each to Markle and Warren's food pantries. Thank you to all the local businesses who donated as well as everyone who stopped by and enjoyed our delicious pancakes! We look forward to seeing you again next year.

### DETERMINATION

by V Neil Wyrick

Hayden planetarium in New York City ran an advertisement in New York newspapers inviting those who would like to make the first journey to another planet to submit an application.

The response was overwhelming, over 18,000 people to be exact. And then the applications were giving to a panel of psychologists who conclude that most of the reason most of the applicants wanted to take the trip was because they wanted to start a new life. They hadn't done so well the first time around here on earth, they were discouraged, so they just wanted to start out with a blank new page.

Actually, when discouragement is winning out, it often isn't a new page that is needed so much as some rewriting on the page we've got.

The man sat down by a rippling stream to eat and enjoy his lunch. Mountains gathered in the background topped by finger clouds that seemed to caress their mountain tops. It was peaceful and he was enjoying every moment.

Then came a bee. A very persistent buzzing bee. An aggressive bee with a stinger and so the man swatted and swatted until he finally succeeded in swatting it to the ground. Then ground it into the sand. He felt bad now but the deed was done and he certainly hadn't wanted to be stung. And then he watched in amazement as the bee emerged from the sand to renew his attack.

This time he stamped even harder, sat back down and resumed his lunch. But then out of the corner of his eye he noticed movement in the sand at his feet. The bee was dragging himself back into the land of the living. As he watched, he saw that the bee's right wing

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 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship ... 6:30 p.m.

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

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 Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30a.m.

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

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 260/224-3376  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:30a.m.

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 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779  
 Dick Case, Pastor  
 1st Worship Service ..... 8:15a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30a.m.

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 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor  
 1st Worship ..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.

**HERITAGE POINTE**  
 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT  
 Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat  
 Chapel Services ..... 9:00 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.

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 Sunday School ..... 9:30am  
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 375-2510  
 Rev Mark Davis  
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 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

**SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST**  
 227 N Main St, Warren, IN 375-3873  
 Kathy Newton, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.

**LANCASTER WESLEYAN**  
 468-2411  
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor  
 David Thrift, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

**LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 694-6622  
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 9:55a.m.

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

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 375-4359  
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor  
 Lois Slusher, Supt.  
 Coffee Fellowship ..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.

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 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124  
 Rev. Sam Padgett - Pastor  
 Trad. Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:00 a.m.

**MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN**  
 Pastor Brian Holland  
 www.mountetnachurch.com  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

**PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-2691  
 Dr. Jeanne Spoor, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

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

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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 Pastor Scott Nedberg  
 Youth Pastor - Rev Harold Smith Jr  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Contemporary Service - Wed ..... 6:30 p.m.

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 Jeff Wass, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

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

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 Pastor Richard Ladouceur  
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN  
 765-934-3609

Sunday Worship ..... 10:30 am  
 Sunday School Classes ..... 9:30 am  
 Youth Group ..... 6:00 pm  
 Sunday Adult Bible Study ..... 6:00 pm  
 Thurs. Bible Study ..... 7:00 pm

Please Attend the Church of Your Choice



## AREA NEWS

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over \$13,000 for the Pathfinder Kids Kampus Scholarship fund Thanksgiving morning during the eighth annual Turkey Trot 5K Run and 1 mile Family Fun Walk in Huntington.

Ronald McDonald helped kick off the race at 8:00 AM at McDonald's on 60 Home Street in Huntington, and the runners ran past Pathfinder Kids Kampus child care center, through Huntington University, turned around at Parkview Huntington Hospital, and finished the race after returning to McDonald's.

The staff of McDonald's provided all participants and volunteers with breakfast after the race and walk. Over 30 people volunteered their time for this event.

### AT THE LIBRARY

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

**ADULT FICTION:** A Wreath of Snow—Higgs (Lg. Pr.); My Kind of Christmas—Carr; An Outlaw Christmas—Miller; A Rocky Mountain Christmas—Johnstone; The Bridge—Kingsbury; Prayers of a Stranger—Bunn; The Christmas Pony—Carlson; The 13th Day of Christmas—Wright; A Fool's Gold Christmas—Mallery

**ADULT NON-FICTION:** Being Santa—Lizard; Debt Proof Your Christmas—Hunt; Christmas in Williamsburg—Kostyal; Christmas with Southern Living 2012

**YOUNG ADULT FICTION:**

Decked with Holly—Bates

**JUVENILE FICTION:** Scaredy Squirrel Prepares for Christmas—Watt; A Pirate's Twelve Days of Christmas—Yates; Christmas Parade—Boynton; Snowman Magic—Tegan

**JUVENILE NON-FICTION:** Garfield & Company—Davis; The Lego Book—Lipkowitz; Paper Crafts for Christmas—McGee

**CHRISTMAS DVDs:** Arthur Christmas; Magical Christmas Collection; Prep & Landing/Naughty & Nice; Santa Paws 2: The Santa Pups; Christmas Comes Home to Canaan; On the Second Day of Christmas; Lucky Christmas; Christmas Angel

### SENIOR LUNCH

People age 50 and over are invited to the monthly Senior Monday Carry-in Luncheon on Dec. 3 at noon at the Salamonie Interpretive Center.

The interpretive center is in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area in Andrews. Visitors should note the new noon meal time.

Huntington County Master Gardeners will lead a gourd Christmas craft session after the meal.

Attendees should bring their table service, a prepared dish to share and \$1 donation to help defray costs of the provided main dish. Advance registration is required.

To register or for more information, call Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at (260) 468-2127.

For more information on other UWIS programs, see [dnr.IN.gov/uwis](http://dnr.IN.gov/uwis) or [Facebook.com/UpperWabash](http://Facebook.com/UpperWabash).

Salamonie Lake is at 9214 West-Lost Bridge West, Andrews, 46702.

### CHRISTMAS AT THE FORKS

Kick off the Christmas season with family fun at Christmas at the Forks Saturday, December 1 at the Historic Forks of the Wabash. Activities will include breakfast with Santa, an open house at the Chiefs' house, and the Christmas tree walk.

Breakfast with Santa will kick off the event from 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. Pancakes, sausage, and juice will be served. Children will participate in making a craft. Parents are reminded to bring their camera, as there will be plenty of photo opportunities. There will be a free will donation. Breakfast with Santa is sponsored by Kiwanis.

Open House at the Chiefs' House will be hosted by Miami, Inc. The Chiefs Richardville and LaFontaine house will be decorated with period appropriate decorations. Descendants of the Chiefs will be conducting tours of the house dressed in period regalia. They will be serving buffalo stew, Indian pudding, and mulled cider. They will have hand-crafted ornaments, corn husk items, and jewelry available for purchase. Grandmother's Blanket items, Native American items for which all proceeds go toward scholarships, will also be for sale.

The Christmas Tree Walk will take place in the Visitors Center Saturday, Dec. 1 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 2

from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Christmas trees and wreaths decorated by local businesses and organizations will be on display. Visitors may purchase tickets for \$1.00 to vote for their favorites. Winners will be drawn at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, and do not need to be present to win their favorite tree or wreath. The gift shop and museum will also be open for holiday shopping. Admission is free.

All proceeds from Christmas at the Forks will go toward the new addition and other expenses of the Forks of the Wabash.

### USE CAUTION WHEN

#### INTERNET SHOPPING

With the holiday season upon us, shopping is a priority for many Americans. While shopping may seem like a simple, safe transaction, there are still many safety tips to keep in mind.

"The Internet has created a great atmosphere for increased business activity in Indiana and the country as a whole. Unfortunately it can also lead to increased criminal activity and other malicious acts that we want people to know how to avoid," said IDHS Executive Director Joe Wainscott.

Online shopping, though easy, can be very risky. Following simple steps can help prevent identity theft and financial tragedies.

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security encourages Hoosiers to shop smart and safe this holiday season.

Holiday email safety:

- Email advertisements and spam traffic may increase during the holiday season. If the subject of the email from a known or

unknown sender seems suspicious, delete the email without opening.

- Never open email attachments or follow embedded links from senders you don't know.

- Never convey personal information such as credit card numbers, bank account numbers, social security numbers, passwords, etc. in emails.

Online Shopping Safety:

- Keep all virus protection and security software updated.

- Make sure your Internet connection is always secure.

- Use complex passwords to safeguard personal information like credit card numbers and billing addresses.

- Avoid visiting unknown web pages; malicious software could be downloaded. Stick to shopping only well-known reputable sites.

Safe Online Purchasing:

- If available, consider using your bank's virtual credit card service.

- If making purchases on a smart phone, make sure you have updated security software before purchasing.

### BETTER TO BE PREPARED

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley  
Why do we let unexpected problems with weather, electricity, and other little things, throw our routines in the trash?

I can tell you, it is not a perfect world. One little thing out of whack throws a monkey wrench into our plan. Winter is almost here; with this season, comes snow, school closings, ice storms and power outages. Are you prepared with plan B?

Let's pretend for a minute (some of you will not have to pretend

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**Nov 19** 6:30 p.m. KBC Board Meeting at KBC

**Nov 21** 7:00 p.m. Van Buren Town Council Meeting

**Nov 22** **THANKSGIVING DAY**

**Dec 5** Noon Warren Chamber of Commerce, Assembly Hall

**Dec 5** 7:00 p.m. Van Buren Town Council Meeting

**Dec 7** 9:30-12:30 10th Annual Cookie Candy Sale @ Htgn Sr Ctr

**Bread of Life Food Pantry** - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC

**Bargain Basement** - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC; **Cancer Support**

**Group** - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus

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at all) You have lived it. O.K. your power goes out and you have no heat, no hot water, no stove, you can't stay home, because it is very cold. So you go to the neighbors, because they have a fireplace, but the family is still running in and out of the house. After the power comes back on, your home is trashed. WHY? You have not been cooking, washing dishes, taking baths or watching TV. You have not really even been at home, except to run in and out getting things. Here is why your home became trashed! Everyone reverted back to your days of CHAOS. They thought that since there was no power, there was no power (discipline in our home)! Routines are a discipline. So without power, we didn't need routines, because we couldn't adhere to them anyway. FREE FOR ALL. Well if your routines were habit, you would not have been able to toss them out into the snow so fast.

Our biggest problem is picking up after ourselves. Without our routines we do not police our hotspots, keep our sink clean or keep the children on track with their routines.

So when the storm hits, the kids are out of school, and you are without power, you still have sunlight (during the day). Don't allow the fact that there is a little problem to stand in your way of doing things like you have been doing for months. You want a perfect world and most days are not like this at all. Enjoy the challenge of feeding your family with a buddy burner. If you were in scouts, you know what I am talking about. Play games by flashlight, read to them, just remember to stay calm and don't let your home get panicked. You are still in charge.

Plan B is like being on a camping trip for me. I love to make do with what every I have. Since we live in the country and have our own water system, we have to be prepared. So we have some bottles of water in the basement, for making coffee, washing our

hair, sponge baths, and cooking if needed. We also have two fireplaces, so we can keep warm, if needed. There are dutch ovens for cooking in the fireplace and a real perk coffee maker. So we won't starve. Knowing what you can do and how, is part of not getting panicked. We also have a gas grill on the back deck. So if the freezer was without power for more than 2 days, we would have to start cooking up a storm.

Do you have an emergency backup plan in your home? Think about this for a little while and see exactly what you would do in case of a power outage.

Do you know where your flashlights are? Can you find them in the dark?

Do you have a weather radio, or battery operated radio for an emergency channel?

How about Extra water for drinking and minimal bathing?

Do you have an alternate way to heat your home?

How about to cook? And the pot and pans to do it with?

Do you know about safety in the house with kerosene heaters, grills and candles?

Do you have a fire extinguisher handy?

Do you have plenty of Blankets? Hats and gloves?

Just a little planning can keep you from pulling your hair out after the crisis is over. Learn to adapt and you will be so pleased the next time there is a weather emergency.

Get ready for a storm; you will be glad you did!

For more help getting rid of your clutter and CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group at [www.FlyLady.net](http://www.FlyLady.net) or read her book, Sink Reflections published by Random House. Please bless others with your clutter by donating it to a Habitat for Humanity Restore near you. Copyright 2012 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

### HOW TO KEEP YOUR PETS

#### HEALTHY AND HAPPY ALL WINTER LONG

(BPT) - Dry skin, winter weight gain and the common cold - humans aren't the only ones to struggle with winter woes. Cold weather can affect our pets' health, too. While you can put in some extra time on the treadmill and layer up for the cold weather, pets rely on their human companions to help them stay healthy all year long.

As temperatures drop and snow starts to fall, keep these simple safety tips in mind to help keep your pets safe and healthy this winter:

Dress to impress ... and stay warm

With thick coats and hardy constitutions, some animal breeds are made to stand up to Old Man Winter. But most domestic dogs will feel the cold, so it makes sense to outfit them for the weather. Sweaters, booties and other winter essentials aren't just fashionable, they're functional; they can help protect your four-legged friends from extreme cold, snow and ice.

So, be sure to dress your pet appropriately for the weather, and while you're at it, you can also enter your pet into the "Morton Best in Snow Pet Show" photo contest from Nov. 15 through Jan. 11, 2013. Entering is easy. Just submit a picture of your pet suited up for winter on the Morton Salt Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/MortonSalt](http://www.facebook.com/MortonSalt).

Keeping ID tags up-to-date and secure on your pet's collar is also a crucial part of any pet's winter wardrobe. Dogs especially can lose their way in snow-covered landscapes that mask familiar scents and scenery. It's best to keep your dog on a leash and ensure it is wearing an ID tag at all times to keep Fido safe and secure all season.

Avoid toxic temptations  
Common products around your

house can sometimes pose a threat to pets. For example, antifreeze can keep your vehicle running when temperatures drop, but it can stop your pet in its tracks if even a small amount is ingested. Be sure to keep all jugs of antifreeze, and other household chemicals, tightly sealed and stored on a high shelf away from pets. Clean up spills as soon as they happen to avoid accidental ingestion.

Always keep an eye on your pet's behavior. - If you notice anything out of the ordinary, consult a veterinarian immediately.

Get safer sidewalks and happy paws

Ice and snow can make winter walks anything but wonderful. - It's essential to keep sidewalks clear of ice and snow to prevent dangerous slip and fall accidents. - While salted sidewalks and streets are important for winter safety, they can irritate pets' paws. Using a pet-friendly ice melter can clear the way but still be safer for our furry friends.

Most pet owners consider their pets as part of the family, and the majority (70 percent) think about their pets when they prepare for winter, according to a recent survey commissioned by Morton Salt. But only about one in four pet owners use a pet-friendly ice melter during the winter.

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Take a bite out of winter weight  
Like people, pets are less active in winter and burn fewer calories. Keep up a regular schedule of outdoor excursions - weather permitting and assuming your pet

is properly dressed for the cold. In addition, consult your veterinarian about proper diet during "hibernation" season and adjust your pet's diet accordingly to avoid winter weight gain.

Holiday treats help humans pack on the pounds, and can contribute to pets' winter weight gain too. But goodies like chocolate, macadamia nuts and alcohol can be even more harmful to pets. In large quantities, these treats can be very toxic for pets. Keep in mind common holiday decorations like mistletoe and poinsettias can also be dangerous if pets ingest them.

Winter can be a fun and festive time of year. - While the elements may not always be on your side, with some precautions and preparations, your pets can weather the winter season - and be happy and healthy heading into spring.

### ADD NEW EXPERIENCES TO

#### YOUR HOLIDAY GATHERING

(BPT) - Family gatherings during the holidays often involve everyone sitting around, catching up while children play with the toys they received as gifts. It's a wonderful time for family to hear the latest on jobs, trips, hobbies and health, but it can also turn into a tedious repeat of listening to Uncle Joe's story of the Christmas of 1954 when the tree caught fire and burned all the presents underneath.

If your family gathering needs a little spicing up this holiday season, consider adding new experiences to the plans, and making a new and fun tradition out of them. Here are some ideas to get started:

\* Get out and enjoy the outdoors - If you live in snowy parts of the country, organize a snowshoe trek, sledding time or ice skating at a community rink.

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# GENEALOGY REPORT

## GRODRIAN

Phillip G. Grodrian, 75  passed away at 5:36 p.m. on Thursday, November 22, 2012 at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne, from injuries he sustained in a motorcycle accident on Oct. 25, 2012.

Phil had worked for many years at Lock Chain Steel in Huntington, later and until his retirement he worked at Wayne Metal for many years. He was a member of the National Guard from 1954 to 1964 and was a member of the Loon Creek Church of the Brethren. He loved riding his motorcycle and enjoyed doing lawn care for several folks in his community. He also played softball and bowled in several leagues over the years.

He was born on February 13, 1937 in Allen County, a son of George and Ruth (Ewert) Grodrian.

He was united in marriage to Darlene Dillon on August 16, 1964 in Warren, IN. His wife survives.

Survivors include Three daughters: Valerie (Rick) Brown of Fort Wayne, Stephanie Ort of Huntington and Natalie (Joe) Fouts of Huntington. Six grandchildren: Colin, Ryan and Kyle Brown, Stacy Dennis, Brandi Garza and Alex Fouts; Three great-grandchildren: Hunter and Shay Haney and Nathan Garza.

He was preceded in death by one brother Ned Grodrian, a great grandson Gunnar Haney and a nephew Rod Grodrian.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, November 27, 2012 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Myers Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel, 2901 Guilford St., Huntington, IN.

Funeral Services will take place on Wednesday, November 28, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the Funeral Home. There will also be one hour of visitation prior to the service.

Interment will take place at the Star of Hope Cemetery.

Memorials may be made out to Loon Creek Church of the Brethren or the American Diabetes Association in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford Street, Huntington, IN 46750.

## MILLER

Kevin K. Miller, 53, of Bluffton, died at 6:05 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 22, 2012, at his residence.

He was born Aug. 6, 1958, at Fort Hood, Texas, to Wayne "Bud" Miller and Phyllis (Royal) Miller.

Surviving relatives include his father, and stepmother Sharon Miller, of Bluffton; one brother, Bruce W. (Mary Alice) Miller of Liberty Center; and three sisters, Teresa A. Good of Louisville, Ky., Julia M. Janney of Defiance, Ohio, and Judith A. (Roger) Rhodes of Lima, Ohio.

Mr. Miller was preceded in death by his mother.

Calling hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27, and from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28, at the Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Elm Grove Cemetery.

## SMITH

Margaret M. Smith "Margie", 89, passed away at 10:20 a.m. Thursday, November 22, 2012 at her residence in Hartford City, IN.

She was born in Wells Co. IN on July 24, 1923 to the late Ernest Adsit and The late Lucy (McIntire) Adsit.

She married Robert E. Smith on April 3, 1948 in Hartford City, IN. he preceded her in death on December 10, 1982.

Margie was a loving mother and grandmother, she will be sadly missed by her three children: Reginald E. Smith of Warsaw, IN., Melanie Jo Smith of Portland, IN., and Teresa Ann O'Neal (Husband - Kelly) of Hattiesburg, Mississippi; 4 Grand Children, Rod Smith (Wife - Cassandra), Noah Smith, Kasey Perkins, Ashley Perkins; One

Great Grandson Conner Payton Smith; Sister Amy Norrell; Brother Howard (wife, Pauline) Adsit and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and her brother Warren Adsit,

Graveside Funeral Services will be 1:00 p.m. Saturday, November 24, 2012, at the Woodlawn Cemetery, East of Warren, IN., with Rev. Lloyd Hall Officiating.

Visitation will be from 11 to 12 noon Saturday, November 24, 2012 at Keplinger Funeral Home, 509 North High Street, Hartford City, IN. 47348

Memorials may be made to the Special Olympics in Blackford Co. C/O Keplinger Funeral Home, 509 North High Street, Hartford City, and In. 47348 or to the donor's choice.

## MOORE

Martha "Opal" Moore, 86, of Marion, IN, and having family members in Huntington, IN, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at Marion General Hospital, Marion.

She was born Jan. 3, 1926, in Warren to Clyde and Edna Gephart Moore.

Survivors include a daughter, Cynthia (John) Zech, of Marion; a sister, Vivian Foudy, of Huntington; two granddaughters, Stephanie Zech and Delaney Zech, both of Marion; and five great-grandchildren.

Calling is Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2012, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Raven-Choate Funeral Home, 1202 W. Kem Rd., Marion. A service will be held at the funeral home on Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2012, at 1 p.m., with Rev. Tom

Mansbarger officiating. Burial will be at Mitchell Cemetery, Warren.

## MILLER

A. Charlene Miller, 68, of Van Buren, IN. died Monday November 26, 2012 at 10:10am in Heritage Pointe, Warren, after a short illness.

She was born January 26, 1944, in Indianapolis, IN., daughter of the late Charles L. Pendleton and Lillian M. (Muncey) Pendleton.

Charlene attended schools in the Muncie, IN. area. She was employed in the Appliance Mfg. Co, of Van Buren, IN, and then was employed at the Van Buren American Legion Post #368 for the past 28 years.

Surviving are a son: Donald (Anita) Lamb of Van Buren, and a

Daughter: Tina (Mike) Ruckman of Huntington, IN. Two Step Sons: Shane (Kim) Miller of Warren, IN. and Trent Miller of Huntington, IN. 7 Grandchildren and 3 Great-Grandchildren. Sisters: Mary Farley of Van Buren, IN. Barbara (Norm) Roysden of Marion, IN., Beverly Richardson of Fairmount, IN., Two Brothers: Rick Timbs of Ohio and William (Linda) Timbs of Hartford City, IN.

Charlene was preceded in death by her Mother and Father. 1st Husband: Greenberry Lamb and her 2nd Husband Ronnie Miller.

A Memorial service will be held at Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, Friday November 30, 2012 at 2:00pm with the Rev Leon Pomeroy officiating. Visitation is from 1:00pm to 2:00 pm before the services Friday November 30, 2012 at the Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, Van Buren, IN.




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These activities can bring a healthy glow to your family members' cheeks, as well as create new memories you can reminisce about at future family gatherings. If you don't have snow in your area, consider planning a bike ride, a hike or even a golf outing to bring everyone together.

\* Plan a meal away from the house - Instead of cooking all the meals for the gathering, plan a formal brunch or dinner at a nice restaurant, where everyone in your group can sit together and enjoy the food and holiday decorations. For example, the Wisconsin Room at The American Club Resort in Kohler, Wis., is known for its delectable brunch menu. For a special treat, take home with you the unique and homemade Kohler Original Recipe Chocolates, developed by the renowned chefs of The American Club Resort, to hand out as beautiful and edible gifts, or to enjoy yourself after the holiday gathering is over.

\* Make the gathering a retreat for all - This year, consider getting your family out of the house and turn your holiday gathering into a festive retreat. The American Club Resort has activities for all ages to enjoy, from the winter outdoor fun to holiday-inspired

spa services. Christmas lights are everywhere - more than 325,000 that will dazzle your eyes every evening - and carolers can be heard around the Village, making it the perfect holiday setting for a family gathering. Additional activities include Yoga on the Lake and the Kohler Kidz program that will have the young ones in your group enjoying every second of their stay.

\* Host a family talent show - Everyone has a special talent in your family, so encourage them to bring their talent to the gathering. Promote costumes or props - if needed - to help enhance the fun. Just clear out a small area in the gathering location, set up a couple of chairs for audience members, and if you have the ability, dim the lights so the stage is in the spotlight. Of course, host a reception following the show with hot apple cider and cookies for all. By bringing new activities to your holiday gathering this year, you'll be creating many new memories to share in the future, as well as making the event much more enjoyable.

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### GAS-SAVING HOLIDAY TRAVEL TIPS

(BPT) - The holidays are forgiving, but with all the driving around for shopping, parties and family events, you may end up giving more at the gas station due to Grinch-like fuel costs. Holiday jeer can quickly become holiday cheer, though, by simply practicing some gas-saving tips. "There are all sorts of ways to make sure you're getting the best fuel efficiency out of your car," says Andrew Briggs, director of product planning for Yokohama Tire Corporation, makers of a variety of truck and car tires. "One of the best - and easiest - is to properly inflate your tires. Tires that are under-inflated by eight pounds per square inch (psi) can reduce vehicle fuel economy by as much as 2 percent. By keeping the right air pressure, you can begin cutting down on your annual fuel costs."

Briggs says that even though tires are engineering marvels affecting everything from braking distance and accident avoidance to ride comfort and fuel efficiency, they are easily overlooked - especially when it comes to checking tire pressure. "It's natural to forget, but for the best gas-saving results, checking your tire pressure should become a monthly routine. It only takes five minutes. If you're not doing it once a month, chances are you're driving on under-inflated tires and burning money."

Another way to save at the pump is to drive on low rolling resistance tires, which improve fuel efficiency because they generate less internal heat as the tire rolls down the road. "With

low rolling resistance tires, less energy is wasted," says Briggs. "That's a big benefit for budget-conscious consumers who want to maximize their mileage. Studies show driving on low rolling resistance tires alone like Yokohama's AVID Ascend can save hundreds of dollars over the life of the tire on gas. The tire has Yokohama's unique orange oil technology, which uses the oil from orange peels to create a special compound that makes an unusually strong bond between synthetic and natural rubber. The result is a tire that offers low rolling resistance. It makes the Ascend about 20 percent more energy efficient than standard touring tires."

Briggs says there are many ways your tires and vehicles can help save money for the holidays, including driving smarter. Here are some of his money-saving tips:

\* Keep your tires properly inflated. Once a month, when the tires are cold (at least three to four hours after the vehicle has been driven), check tire pressure with a reliable tire gauge. Be sure the valve stems have a plastic or metal cap to keep dirt out and seal against leakage.

\* Slow down. All vehicles lose fuel economy at speeds above 55 mph. Driving 55 mph instead of 75 mph can reduce fuel cost by 25 percent. Driving 65 mph instead of 75 mph can save 13 percent.

\* Keep your car tuned up according to the manufacturer's recommended schedule to keep all systems in good working order.

\* Turn off your engine if you're stopped for more than a couple of minutes. Fuel efficiency savings of up to 19 percent are possible by not letting your engine idle too long while stationary.

\* Accelerating less from a stop and slowing moderately can increase fuel efficiency by more than 30 percent.

\* Tire alignment should be checked once a year. Misaligned

tires can cause the car to scrub, which lowers mileage and causes unnecessary tire wear.

For additional tire care and safety tips, visit [www.yokohamatire.com](http://www.yokohamatire.com) or [www.rma.org](http://www.rma.org).

### FOOD GIFTS TOP THE LIST

#### THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

(BPT) - When it comes to shopping for holiday gifts, the options are unlimited. From new clothes to electronics to home decor, you can shop forever trying to find just the perfect gift. If your gift list is long, just think of the time and money you will spend.

Why not make your holiday shopping much easier this year with food gifts for your loved ones? Food is always a popular gift. In fact, specialty food gifts account for nearly \$20 billion of the more than \$120 billion that Americans spend annually on gifts, according to food industry experts. With the wide variety of choices in the food gift category, you can perfectly match a gift to the preferences of every recipient on your holiday list.

Food gifts are:

\* Perfect for family and friends - A gift of food is the gift of an occasion - a reason to get together with family and friends to enjoy a delicious meal and great conversation around the dinner table. Your food gift can help your loved ones to plan a special family meal together or to host a party for friends.

\* Always right - A food gift will never be the wrong size or color, and there's nothing to assemble. As long as you choose items to please the palate of your recipients, your gift will be successful.

\* Easy on your budget - The diversity of food gifts at varying price points allow you to develop a package that fits perfectly into your holiday gift budget.

\* Simple and stress-free - Holiday gift packages of varying price points like those from Omaha Steaks make it easy to find the perfect gift for everyone on your list. Omaha Steaks The Ideal Gift Assortment highlights the best of the best, offering filet mignons, top sirloins, stuffed sole with scallops and crab meat, burgers, stuffed baked potatoes and a chocolate cake for dessert, all at an affordable price. Packages can be easily ordered

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### SIX TIPS FOR TAKING THE BEST FAMILY PORTRAITS

(BPT) - As the holidays approach, many families are planning annual portraits for personalized cards and gifts to loved ones. But this can be a complex planning ordeal for even the most organized person. In addition to coordinating schedules and what everyone should wear, it's just as important to focus on the best photography tips, tools and techniques to make the most of your family portrait. "Everyone who has ever taken or posed for a family photo knows it's a rewarding yet challenging endeavor," says Tim Meyer, owner of Meyer Photography and program chair of the portrait

division of photography at Brooks Institute, a leading provider of higher education for film, visual journalism, graphic design and photography. "The good news is that with proper planning and digital photography advances families can get higher-quality photos than ever before, whether you're hiring a professional photographer or doing it yourself."

While it can still be difficult to capture the entire family with smiles on their faces, Meyer offers six tips for taking the perfect family portrait this holiday:

1. Invest in quality camera equipment. Digital photography has brought the world of photography to the masses, and high-quality digital cameras can be purchased new or used at reasonable prices. For family portraits, make sure the camera has a timer so you can be a part of the picture. You should also consider buying a tripod to steady your camera and make your photo shoot easier.

2. Scope out the best locations and background for the shoot. Think outside the family fireplace to create interesting indoor backdrops for family photos - but avoid mirrors and windows that can create issues by reflecting light. If choosing an outdoor location, make sure it is free from distraction. Like indoor shots, intricate patterns or background commotion can distract from the subject of the photo - in this case, your family.

3. Consider the best time for taking photos with your family.

Natural lighting is great for family photos, particularly the golden hour - the first and last hour of sunlight during each day. If this isn't convenient for your family, choose a time when any children involved in the picture are well rested and more apt to patiently pose for photos. If you're reshooting indoors, ensure there's adequate lighting, whether natural or from other sources.

4. Take lots of shots, but remember that the best expressions with children are often the first ones. Group photos are challenging, considering the number of people who must smile and look their best at the same time. Chances are you'll have several photos with eye-blinking subjects and wiggly children. To increase your odds of getting the best family portrait, take as many photos as possible and vary the composition to get different angles and arrangements.

5. Plan ahead if including a furry friend in your family portraits.

Many people view their pets as members of the family, so it's only fitting that you might want to include your beloved pet in a family portrait. If so, choose a time when the pet is naturally calmer, perhaps after a walk or at nap time. Also, bring treats to hold the pet's attention and reward the pet for a job well done.

6. Leave it to the professionals. If the challenge of taking your own family photographs becomes overwhelming, connect with a professional photographer who can provide additional tips or work within your budget to help you get professional family photos in time for the holidays. Today's professionals offer a great variety of styles and ways of sharing your images than ever before.

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seemed intact but the left one was "crumpled like a piece of paper." Nevertheless, the bee stretched

and tried his wing, moving it slowly up and down. It ran its legs along the damaged wing, trying to straighten it out. Finally, he tried using it but it seemed hopelessly crippled.

He saw the bee struggling and struggling but being a pilot and knowing something about wings he concluded the bee would never fly again. And then it happened.

The right wing began to move up and down and the left crippled wing tried to follow suit. The bee rose three inches above the ground and crashed back to earth. Again and again it tried. Each time flying a little further and a little higher. Until at last it took off and was gone. Sometimes it is not a broken wing but broken dreams.

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