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Thought for the Week: Only those who risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go. TS Eliot



### "BAKE" HONORED AT TRACTOR PULL

A memorial ceremony was held before the start of the Memorial Day weekend tractor pull this year on May 26, 2006. After the National Anthem by Brenda Huffman, a very emotional speech by Verlis Slusher told of the many aspects of the life of Dee "Bake" Baker.

Dee was a very important part of the local tractor pulling scene and in his honor the pulling track has now been named the Dee Baker Memorial Pulling Track. On hand for the dedication were Dee's two daughters, Anita Sharp and Bridget Swaidner, and their families.

Pictured above are Bridget on the left and Anita on the right of the new sign posted at the Tractor Pull site.

After the dedication Dee's tractor made the first ceremonial pull of the evening.

## **BABY PHOTO CONTEST**

The annual Baby Photo Contest (sponsored by Country Calico Club) will be held during the 2006 Salamonie Summer Festival. Child must have been born on or after January 1, 2005. Picture must be 5x7 or smaller, and photo will be returned after event. One child per photo and one photo per child.

Entry forms can be found at Citizen's Telephone, Video Vision, and other area businesses around Warren or by calling 375-3128 or 359-3771.

Warren's Sweetheart will receive a \$50.00 savings bond.

Entry deadline is Wednesday, June 28, 2006.

A display of the photos will be located at the Town Annex during the festival, where you can vote for your choice.

#### BASKET BINGO

Sigma Phi Gamma of Warren is having a Basket Bingo on July 1, 2006 at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center Auditorium. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. Bingo will start at 12:30 p.m. Tickets are available from any member or purchase them from Gebhart's Floral Barn or P.J.'s Flower Shop. (Adults only Please) Proceeds go to benefit community projects.

## MARKET OPENING

The farmers market will be having our season opening this Saturday June 10 at the Daugherty lot located at Grover Street and State Road 218.

Please come out and join us and welcome back our regular vendors and meet and visit with your friends and neighbors.

The Sunflower Co-op is anxious to have the market up and going for the summer and plans are for some special days with enter-

tainment and food demonstrations and perhaps other events.

The Co-op welcomes back our regular vendors and gives a special invitation to new vendors who might be interested in taking part in the Saturday market. For information call Nancy at 375-2442 or Ruth at 375-3329.

See you at the market.

### HOMEOWNER DEADLINE

Hoosier homeowners have one more week to file for property tax credits and deductions with county auditors.

Deductions and credits applied for before the June 12 deadline will be applied to 2007 tax bills for taxpayers who owned their homes as of March 1, 2006.

A law passed earlier this year moved the filing deadline from May 10 to June 10. Since June 10 is on a Saturday this year, taxpayers have until June 12 to file, said Melissa K. Henson, commissioner of the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Eligibility information and application forms are available online at <a href="https://www.in.gov/dlgf">www.in.gov/dlgf</a> or from county auditors for:

· Homestead Deductions/Credits

- · Mortgage Deductions
- · Deductions for Persons Over Age 65 or Surviving Spouses
- Deductions for Blind or Disabled

· Deductions for Totally Disabled Veterans, or Veterans with Partial Disability in Wartime, WWI Veterans or Surviving Spouses

Annually the state provides millions of dollars in credits and deductions to provide property tax relief for Hoosiers.

Homeowners will see a boost in that relief in their 2007 tax bills thanks to a law passed by the Indiana General Assembly earlier this year that increased the homestead deduction from \$35,000 to \$45,000.

For more information on the filing deadline, contact Mitch

Frazier, the Department's public information officer, at (317) 233-9222. A searchable listing of county auditor phone numbers can be found online at <a href="https://www.in.gov/serv/dlgf\_officials">www.in.gov/serv/dlgf\_officials</a>.

#### Pre-1840 Rendezvous

Visitors to Ouabache State Park can live the lifestyle of pre-1840 Indiana pioneers during "Rendezvous on the Ouabache," a livinghistory weekend, June 17-18.

The program is geared toward everyone interested in pioneers, trappers, traders, mountain men, Native Americans and outdoor living skills. Featured topics include wood carving, leatherworking, basket making, and tomahawk and knife throwing.

Opening Saturday programs run from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. June 18 times are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The encampment is located by the fire tower. No advance registration. Regular state park weekend admission fees apply — \$5 per in-state vehicles, \$7 for out-of-state plates.

For more information on the rendezvous, or other park offerings, call the interpretive naturalist, (260) 824-0926.

## **VBPL READING**

Summer Reading Program "Read Around the World." Sign up for the program starts June 5. Parents please bring your children to the library to get signed up for the summer reading program.

On June 9, 10:30-Noon, we will have a special guest at the Van Buren Public Library. Van Buren Elementary School teacher, Miss Bell, will be the guest reader. Please come to the library for our special story time on Friday June 9.

The Van Buren Public Library has new rules for DVD's. The new rules make it easier for teens to borrow dvd's. The library has over 170 dvd's that can be borrowed by patrons of the library. If you are ages 13-18, please bring in a parent to sign you up to borrow dvd's. Some of the new-

est dvd's at the library are Glory Road, Firewall, and Big Mama's House 2, Doogal, Munich, and Flight 93.

#### Magic In Books

"The Magic in Books" will be presented by professional magician Marcus Lehmann June 24th at the Church of Christ (comer of Third and Wayne Streets) on Saturday; June 24 at 10:00 sponsored by the Friends of the Warren Library. The program is open to every one for a small charge, but children completing the summer reading program at the Warren Public Library will receive a free pass to this performance.

Mr. Lehmann has over 20 years experience presenting programs throughout Indiana. His presentation is a family program enjoyable for all ages. Mark your calendars to enjoy this delightful program in the beautiful (and cool) Church of Christ. Hey kids, keep reading to receive your free pass.

### FLAG DAY

Did you know Flag Day is June 14, 2006.

"The Flag stands for all that we hold dear-freedom, democracy, government of the people, by the people, and for the people." Henry Cabot Lodge – 1915.

This reminder brought to you by the American Legion Auxiliary Brown-Doyle Unit #368 Van Buren, Indiana.

#### WOW

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Are you ready for a WOMEN'S TIME AWAY?!

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# KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

## DEAR WARREN WEEKLY,

As a member of the newly formed Quarterbacks club, which is the fund raising arm of the Huntington North football team. I would like to thank the following businesses from the Warren area that chose to help support the 3rd Annual Golf Outing fundraiser for the Football Team. United Methodist Memorial Home, Heartland Aluminum/Saturn Wheel Corp, (scoreboard sponsors). Hy-line, Evalution Real Estate/GDW Construction, Bolingers/ Warren Service and Supply, Huntington Tool&Die (hole sponsors), Blue Flame, Ackley Automotive (prize donations). It was by far the most successful one yet, the response from the warren community left a lasting impression on the coaches and quarterback club staff. Once again I say thank you for your help, I would ask that everyone support these businesses as they support our kids and their activities. Make sure to come watch the football team this fall, it's sure to be an exciting year. Go Vikes!

Thank you, Rob Surber

### DEAR WW,

After writing a thank you to the businesses of the area it is with great sadness I write the following. I have been a part of the Warren community for 15 of the 17 years I have been married and I have always felt at home here. There are many good people in this town. Unfortunately 4yrs. ago my suburban was broken into and approx. \$1800 in my tools and musical CD's were stolen as well as all the change in the ashtray, sunglasses, and window wipes. Last summer during the festival someone walked into our home while we were downtown for one hour and stole \$150 out of our living room (kid's birthday money). Then this morning I walk out to find my Suburban broken into again, this time the ashtray was gone, along with the change that filled it, I didn't bother calling the police this time because I didn't want to wait an hour or so, they generally dispatch someone from Huntington anyway. To whoever broke into my suburban, please return the ashtray, keep the change! Next time come knock on the door, if you need money that bad I'll give you \$5 just to not violate me anymore. I feel badly that the parents who don't care about and know where their kids are and their activities are overshadowing the ones who do. Anyone interested in a house in town with a pool, please call 388-9393(cell).

> Thank you, Rob Surber

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#### Hour of Power (Wed) ...... 7:00p.m. **CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199

Rev. Joe Haney, Interim Pastor Worship .......9:30 a.m. Sunday School ......9:00 a.m. Youth Fellowship Sun ............6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study ......
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260/468-2148 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

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Worship Service ..... WARREN UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. Worship ......9:30 a.m. Morning Worship ......9:30 a.m.

Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery Sunday School .......10:45 a.m. Sunday School .......9:30 a.m. WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Todd Winkler, Youth Minister Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt. Fellowship ......9:15 a.m. Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. SUNDAY: Worship & Communion ......9:30 a.m. Worship .......10:30 a.m. Morning Worship ..... 

#### DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779

Dick Case, Pastor Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Wed - Circle of Friends

> McNATT UNITED METHODIST 375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt. Coffee Fellowship.......8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship.......10:30a.m. Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship Worship ......9:15 a.m. ThursdayPrayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m. Sunday School ......10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. ..... 7:00 p.m.

# WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH

6th & Nancy Sts. Warren Rev. Andy Trowbridge, Pastor

Worship ......10:15 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service ..7:00p.m.

# 694-6622

Pastor Dan Sommer

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> 468-2412 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

#### **BUCKEYECHRISTIAN CHURCH** 758-2085

Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor Sandy Keplinger, Supt. Worship ......9:30 a.m.

#### **BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH** 8294S 900W 35

Gary Riley, Pastor Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. Studies - all Sunday ...... 6:00 p.m. Worship ...... 10:30 a.m. Youth Choir Practice ...... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study ......6:30 p.m. Thurs. Kings Kids ......6:30 p.m. BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m. Sunday School ......9:00 a.m. CWF Ladies (3 Tue) .......6:00 p.m. ..10:00 a.m. 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

#### LIBERTYCENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Bard, Pastor

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE **NAZARENE** 

#### 375-2510 Bill Keen, Pastor Bus Service 375-2510

Youth Group (Wed.).....6:00 p.m. Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat Wed. Midweek Service.......6:30 p.m. Chapel Services .......

#### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102 Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor

2nd Worship Service ....10:30a.m. Junior Church .............................. 10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening .................6:00 p.m. Youth Group (6th-12th).5:30p.m. Sunday School ....... 10:30 a.m. Mid-Week (Wed) ...... Communion 1st Sunday of the Month (3yrs old - 5th grade) .. 6:30-8p.m. Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.m. THE NEW BEGINNING

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ing and Discipleship Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of

Family Life Debbie Wiley, S.S. Supt. Sunday School ......9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship ......10:00 a.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00p.m. **VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** 

#### 765-934-1431 Pastor Blake J. Neff

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

#### www.vanburenumc.org **BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor Joe Kober, S.S. Supt. Sunday Worship ...... 9:30a.m. Sunday School ..... 10<sup>.</sup>30a.m.

# HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST

101 N 400 E - Marion, IN 765/664-8726 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

1st Worship......8:20 a.m. 2nd Worship......9:45 a.m. 3rd Worship ......11:11 a.m. Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

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

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

#### **LANCASTER WESLEYAN** 468-2411

Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt. Worship ......10:30 a.m. Wednesday:

#### CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings .... 7:00 p.m. **UNITED METHODIST** MEMORIAL HOME

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Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. **ASBURY CHAPEL** 

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# AREA NEWS

## GRANT Co 4-H FAIR

It's 4-H fair time in Grant County! 4-H leaders and 4-H members have been busy for a year getting ready for this year's events which will be held June 18-24, 2006.

During the day and throughout the whole week of the fair the 4-H Exhibit Buildings will be open at 10:00 a.m.

Several 4-H activities that will be of special interest to the public are the 4-H Dog show on Friday evening, June 16th, the crowning of the 4-H King & Queen and Prince & Princess and 4-H in Revue on Sunday evening, June 18, the 4-H Rabbit show on Wednesday morning, June 21, the Premier Showmanship Contest and the Livestock Sale on Friday, June 23 and the Horse & Pony Show on Saturday, June 24.

4-H judging of animals dot the program each day. These include Dairy, Poultry, and Goats on Monday, Swine on Tuesday, Rabbits, Sheep and Pets on Wednesday, Beef on Thursday, Cats on Friday, and Horse & Pony on Saturday.

The Fairboard has planned programs that should make this the best Grant County Fair yet. The events in the grand stand for the week are as follows: Truck Pull, Cheerleading Contest, Colgate Country Showdown, Garden Tractor Pull and Demolition Derby.

The Grant County 4-H Fair is a highlight for 4-H'ers who have been working on projects and attending activities in an effort to "Make the Best Better."

## MISSION TRIP

Bethel Church will send 17 youth & adults to serve on a short term Mission Trip to Costa Rica in July! They will help construct a Church & School building, and help conduct Vacation Bible School in local villages. Support for this great work can be sent directly to Bethel Church 4500 E 300 S Bluffton, IN 46714.

## INVITED

The Bethel Church Bible Quiz team is hosting an All-You-Can-Eat Buffet at the East of Chicago Pizza in Ossian, IN Tuesday June 13th 5-8PM. All proceeds (& tips) will support their Costa Rica Mission trip!

### CALLING ALL EDUCATORS

The Upper Wabash Interpretive Services announces a Project Learning Tree and WILD training workshop. June 22 and 29 from 6 to 9 p.m. Both evenings are held at J. Edward Roush Lake. There is a one time \$10 participation fee to cover the cost of supplies. Don't miss the fun! Pre--registration is required by calling 260/468-2127.

Educators have a wonderful opportunity to take home two books fun of well researched and easy to use indoor and outdoor learning activities to use with their students.

Marvin McNew workshop facilitator and Director of the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, said" Scout Leaders can use these resources to help put the 'Outing back in Scouting' and teachers will find these prepackaged activities correlated to state educational standards a wonderful way to captivate their students."

There is a \$4 per car entrance fee (\$7 for out of state vehicles) to get into the recreation area. To find out more about the Upper Wabash Interpretive Service programs at Mississinewa, J. Edward Roush or Salamonie Reservoirs call 260.468-2127.

## 4-H SALE

4-H Community Rummage and Flea Market. Friday, June 16 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Saturday, June 17 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Blackford County 4-H Building in Hartford City. Lunch available. Call 765-348-3213 for information.

#### **B**ECK TO **T**RAVEL

Katie Beck, an Eastbrook High School FFA member, has been selected to participate in the state FFA Youth Agriculture Exchange. Katie and six other Indiana FFA members will travel to Rio Grande Do Sul, Brazil. The students will spend twenty days traveling throughout the cities and countryside seeing everything from the biggest 25,000 acre ranches, to the smallest of family farms. Farming methods in Brazil will be studied.

Katie is organizing some fund raiser events. The money raised will help pay for travel expenses.

One of these events is on Saturday, June 10 at the Van Buren United Methodist Church Lounge. There will be an Avon open house from 1:00 until 3:00. Various Avon products will be on display with door prizes and special pricing options available. Everyone is invited to visit this Avon open house and support Katie's agricultural studies.

#### **CHAUTAUQUA**

The Chautauqua Club met June 2, 2006 in the Fults recreation room at the United Methodist Memorial Home. President Oma Zent called the meeting to order with all repeating the creed.

We were served a delightful luncheon by Kim's Katered Affair

Our program was "The Iowa Hat Lady" presented by Freda Van Winkle. The Hat Lady was Alvina Sellers. She had a collection of over 5,000 hats, all the way from a Dekalb seed corn hat to the most elegant. She began giving

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programs at age 50 and was 87 when she gave her last program which was number 5,636. She received donations of individual's hats from all over the world. She has hats from 60 countries.

She always started her programs with Psalms 118:24. "This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it".

After her death, Joan Sellers, daughter-in-law, opened Alvina's hat parlor in the Heartland Museum in Clarion Iowa.

Alvina was 83 when she presented her program on video. She made her programs interesting by giving witty remarks and stories about the hats as she modeled each one.

Roll call was taken by asking "What two things would you take on a trip to the moon?" Some interesting answers were given. The secretaries report was read

and approved.
A letter was received from Sharon
Gebhart to present Lu Ellen Pond
for membership into the
Chautauqua Literary Club.

Ballots were distributed and a yes or no vote was taken and a

unanimous yes vote was received. New officers for the coming year are: President Jane Ruble; Vice president Betty Yoder; Secretary Peggy Schweikhardt; Treasurer Phylis Hubartt.

Members present were Barbara Baer, Janet Bevans, Sue Blair, Nancy Bonham, Ann Brauchla, Elaine Eckman, Sharon Gebhart, Linda Howell, Phylis Hubartt, Jane Huffman, Mary Emma Huffman, Karen Hunnicutt, Georgina Laymon, Ann Miles, Florance Mott, Jane Ruble, Roberta St. John, Lou Ann Shafer, Martha Shafer, Carolyn Sparks, Harriett Tobias, Alice Whitmore, Oma Zent, Mary Brown, Peg Christner and Bertha Turner.



Lawn Fertilizing, New Lawns, Lawn Rolling, Driveway Repair, Post Hole Digging, Landscaping, Lawn Mowing



# Community Calendar

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

Jun 7 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Jun 9 Warren Recycle Day

Jun 10 KBC Board Meeting, 8 am at KBC
Jun 12 Warren Town Council 6:30 p.m., Annex
Jun 13 Our Town Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Annex

Jun 18 Father's Day

Jun 19 Salamonie Summer Festival, 6 p.m., Annex

Jun 21 Van Buren Town Council 7 p.m.

Jun 23 Warren Recycle Day

Jun 26 Warren Town Council, 8 a.m., Annex Jun 30 - Jul 4 Salamonie Summer Festival

Jul 4 Independence Day

Jul 5 Chamber of Commerce Luncheon, noon, Annex

Jul 5 Van Buren Town Council 7 p.m.
Jul 8 Van Bergman Center Board meeting, 8am, KBC

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC Depression Support Group 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 After School Adventure - Tuesdays & Thursdays, after school till 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene Preschool Story Time - Warren Library 10:30

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# AREA NEWS CONTINUED

#### **BRMC EVENTS**

Father's Meeting

Bluffton Regional Medical Center will have its regular monthly Fathers' Meeting on Thursday, June 15 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. David Shepherd is the facilitator for casual discussion. The meetings are free, and children are welcome (babysitting is provided). No registration is necessary. The meeting is at the Bluffton Regional South Campus, 1100 S. Main St., Bluffton, 2nd floor education center.

For more information call David Shepherd at (260) 824-8105.

Safe Sitter Course

Safe Sitter classes for girls and boys age 11 to 13 will begin Thursday, June 16 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center's South Campus, 1100 S. Main St.

The two-day Safe Sitter program is a medically accurate program that teaches young adolescents how to handle emergencies when caring for younger children. Thousands of young people across the country have been trained by Safe Sitter to handle life-threatening emergencies.

All information is taught by trained Safe Sitter Instructors. During the course, students receive hands-on practice in basic lifesaving techniques so they are prepared to act in a crisis.

Safe Sitter participants also receive helpful tips to make them more confident caregivers. They learn safety and security precautions, such as what to do if a stranger comes to the door and when and how to call for help. They receive information on child development and age-appropriate activities; and they learn about the business aspects of babysitting.

The cost is \$45. To register your son or daughter or your child's babysitter, call Michelle Gentis at (260) 919-3844.

Cancer Awareness Day
Bluffton Regional Medical
Center's HealthCheckwill be providing screenings on Saturday,
June 17 from 10 a.m. to noon at
Wal-Mart in Bluffton. The following screenings and information
will be available:

- FREE educational materials
- FREE colon cancer home screening kits
- FREE PSA
- A1c, \$20
- Hemogram, \$15
- Chem 30, \$30
- Thyroid panel, \$15

For more information call Lisa Geiger at (260) 919-3859.

Heartsaver First Aid Course
Bluffton Regional Medical Center
will be offering an American Heart
Association first aid course from
5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 29
at the Bluffton Regional South
Campus, 1100 S. Main St.,

Bluffton

This class includes information on breathing emergencies and caring for bleeding, injuries and sudden illness, as well as standard precautions.

There is a \$45 fee, which covers all instruction and materials.

The first 30 minutes of the class is specific to blood-borne pathogens. If you need to attend for this portion only, the fee is \$10. For more information, or to register, call the Michelle Gentis at (260) 919-3844.

## COMPUTER INTELLIGENCE?

IS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BETTER THAN NATURAL STU-PIDITY?" — From the earliest days of computer science, researchers have tried to make computers do things which seem "intelligent", such as games, language translation, etc. But, is the computer actually showing intelligence? And how far do we want to trust this version of intelligence? Discover the answers on Wednesday, June 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Wells County Public Library as David Erbach, chairman of the IPFW Department of Computer Science shares, "Is artificial intelligence better than natural stupidity?" Erbach has a Ph.D. from Cambridge University, and has worked with projects involving computational intelligence for many years, from insurance risk analysis, to game playing algorithms. The program is free and open to the public (including the curious, the concerned and computer geeks). For more information, call the library at 260-824-1612.

## ACCEPTED AT IBC

Kendra Flemming, a recent 2006 graduate of Huntington North High School, has been accepted at International Business College in the veterinary technology course. Kendra will be starting classes in the fall of 2006.

Kendra was also a recipient of the Dr D.C. and Julia Souder Memorial scholarship and she was chosen to receive a Salamonie school scholarship. Kendra is the daughter of John and Treva Flemming and the granddaughter of Wayne and

#### HONORED AT BLACK HAWK

Ruth Herring both of Warren.

Area students recently honored at Black Hawk College in Kewanee IL are as follows:

Patrick Kober of Liberty Center – received the Denny Benoodt Memorial Award given to the sophomore livestock judge who accumulates the highest score in cattle judging at national competition. The Gwen Peterson Memorial Award given to the outstanding sheep judge at the na-

tional level. The Elmer Hog Memorial Scholarship in conjunction with the Mid-Continent Livestock Show Award given to the sophomore livestock judge who compiles the most points all around during the year. The Agriculture Production Award given to the best all-round sophomore majoring in Ag Production.

Jeremy Christman of Poneto received the Gary Pratt Memorial Award given to the outstanding freshman majoring in Agri-Business Management.

## DILLMAN GOLF

Saturday, May 27 at Arbor Trace the annual Dillman United Brethren Golf Scramble was held. A gorgeous day was enjoyed by 31 teams. Prizes were awarded and lunch was served under the pavilion at the golf course. This event has been held at Arbor Trace (formerly Harts) for 18 years. Every year the money raised is to help send kids to Camp Cotubic church camp and to the youth group at the church. Everyone's help was greatly appreciated. Thank you for another great year.

1<sup>st</sup> place actual score – Caleb Smith, Nathan Mullins, Kevin Smith, Carl Snedberg; 1<sup>st</sup> place handicap – Tom Datema, Jim Bailey, Mike Waldman, Kirby Sink

2<sup>nd</sup> place actual – Brent Furnish, Josh Fortney, Andy Vaught, Dustin Fortney; 2<sup>nd</sup> place handicap – Don Shultz, Kevin Shultz, Kerry Shultz, Kris Shultz

3<sup>rd</sup> place actual – Lee Smith, Brandt Finley, Bill House, Scott Samyin; 3<sup>rd</sup> place handicap – Barry Story, Taylor Story, Trever Jones, Chris Aschilman Closest to Pin – #12 Brant Finley

Closest to Pin-#12 Brant Finley, #8 Carl Smedberg

Longest Drive - #5 Lee Smith, #18 Nathan Mullins

## MEMORIAL SERVICES

Van Buren American Legion, Auxiliary and SAL held Memorial Service at the Library in Van Buren, May 28, 2006.

Eastbrook Band played music. The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts raised the flag, while the National Anthem was being played.

Opening prayer by Rev. Blake Neff, Methodist Church. Rev. Joe Haney, Christian Church delivered the message. Commander Kenny Powell gave the address.

Chaplain Waneta Bald placed the auxiliary poppy wreath while the band played "America."

Firing was done by legion members. Taps by Eastbrook Band. Benediction by Rev. Jeff Wass, Nazarene Church, closing remarks by Commander Kenny, asking everyone to come tot eh post for a short service there.

Kent Lambert read the deceased names of the legion, Irene Pickard read the named of the Auxiliary. Firing and Taps were also done. Hamburgers and hot dogs were served afterward.

### SUMMER READING

Summer Reading is moving right along at the Warren Public Library. Sixty-five children are reading their way to a free pass to The Magic of Books show, a Wizard's Game, a free book and other prizes.

Our reading friends this past week have been Marilyn Morrison, Kim Coolman, Ann Hutson, Korey Jones, Sarah Moss, Becca Lamon, and Cammy Ackley.

Don't miss reading with other community reading stars every week day 4:30 – 5:30.

### **New Books**

New books received at the Warren Public Library for your enjoyment are:

Fiction – Leaves of Hope by C Palmer; Days of Summer by J Barnett; Terrorist by J Updike; The Whole World Overby J Glass; Sweet Revenge by F Michaels; Adventures of Johnny Vermillion by L Estleman; The Husband by D Koontz; In the Twinkling of an Eye by T LaHaye; Killer Dreams by I Johnasen; Cross Bones by K Reichs.

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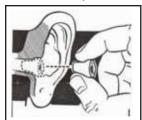
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# GENEALOGY REPORT

#### MANN

Dale Leon "Shorty" Mann, 77, of Bluffton died at 11:45 p.m. Monday, May 29, 2006, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Mann was owner of Moser & Son Heating for more than 30 years, from 1952 to 1983. The business now is owned by his son, Steve.

He was a 1946 graduate of Liberty Center High School and a member of the Wells County Coon Hunters Club.

Born on Aug. 20, 1928, in Huntington, he was a son of Chester and Blanche Jackson Mann. His marriage on June 24, 1948, in Bluffton was to Betty L. Moser, who survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Steve D. Mann and David E. Mann, both of Bluffton; two daughters, Mrs. Shirley L. Boxell of Bluffton and Mrs. Cheryl Browning of Florida; a brother, William Mann of Ossian; two half sisters, Mrs. Doris McFarren of Bluffton and Mrs. Ellen Buckland of Warren; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Mark Mann; a half brother, Roger Shaw; and a grandchild.

Services were held at Goodwin Memorial Chapel funeral home with Rev. Donald Wilkes officiat-

Burial was in Elm Grove Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to **Epworth United Methodist** Church or the Wells Community Boys & Girls Club.

## HARTER

A lifelong resident of Wells County, Wayne J. Harter, 76, died at 2:54 a.m. Thursday, June 1, 2006, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wavne.

Mr. Harter was retired from the Indiana National Guard after more than 20 years of service in 1990. He retired as a Sergeant First Class. A graduate of Bluffton High School, Mr. Harter enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1950, serving from 1951 through 1954. He was a veteran of the Korean Conflict, and received an honorable dis-



charge in 1954.

Mr. Harter also worked as a foreman at Kitco in Bluffton for 15 years, after which he worked at the Wells Community Hospital as an ambulance driver, and in the maintenance department. He was a member of the American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton and Park United Bretheran Church.

Born on Apr. 29, 1930, he was the son of Clyde and Violet (Collins) Harter. He was married on Sept. 1, 1956, in Uniondale to Grace Anna (Walmsley), who preceded him in death on Oct. 11, 1992. Their wedding at St. Mark's Lutheran Church was performed by Grace's father, the Rev. Harry Walmsley.

Survivors include two sons, Timothy Wayne Harter of Roanoke and Ted E. Harter of Bluffton; a daughter, Mrs. Doug (Teresa) Schisler of Decatur; three sisters, Gladys Ann Huffman of Colorado, Jane Haley of Huntington, and Donna Mc Farland of Bluffton; and a brother, Don Slusher of Warren. Harter is also survived by eight grandchildren. He was preceded in death by son, John Mark Harter, and by a brother, Glen Arnold.

Service were held at Thoma/ Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home with Rev. Gary Aupperle officiating.

Burial was in Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton, with military honors performed by the American Legion Post #111.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association.

#### Rogers

A lifelong resident of Wells County, James H. Rogers, 74, of Liberty Center died at 1:30 a.m. Monday, June 5, 2006, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Rogers was retired from Citizens Telephone Company in Warren after 27 years of service as a lineman. He was also a

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A 1950 graduate of Chester Center High School, Mr. Rogers was a member of the Liberty Center Baptist Church.

Born on Jan. 16, 1932 in Poneto, he was the son of Thurel and Elizabeth (Coulter) Rogers. He was married on October 12, 1952, in Keystone to his wife of 53 years, Mildred "Shirley" (Brown) Rogers, who survives.

Other survivors include his daughter Lea Ann Rogers of Liberty Center, a sister, Doris I. Elliott of Anderson, and a grand-

He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert H. Rogers.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes - Walker Chapel in Montpelier with Pastor Dan Sommer officiating.

Burial was in Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier.

Preferred memorials are to Rogers family.

## GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Mr and Mrs Bill Hill celebrated 50 years of marriage with an open house, hosted by their children and their spouses, on Sunday, May 28.

Bill J Hill and Carol M Amstutz were married June 3, 1956 at First Missionary Church in Berne, Mr Hill is a retired school principal. He is active in Kiwanis and College Park Church JOY Fellowship. He also serves on the board of directors for Crime Stop-

Mrs Hill is a retired legal and athletics secretary. She sings in the College Park Church choir and plays in the handbell choir.

The Hills are the parents of Joan Sherlock of Huntington, Ronda Walter of Mount Juliet, TN and Gregory hill of Levering MI. They have nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



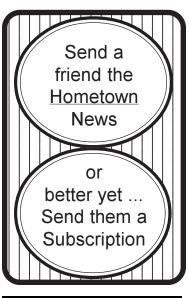


#### Schaer - Goodpaster

Jaclyn Kay Schaer and Terry Wayne Goodpaster of Burlington IA are engaged to be married July 16, 2006 in the Oakville Apostolic Christian Church.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Mediapolis High School and a 2004 graduate of lowa Wesleyan College with a major in elementary education. She is employed as a substitute teacher for Southeastern Iowa Community Schools and is also a Home Health Companion for the Fort Madison Community Hospital. She is the daughter of Dave and Sandy Schaer of Burlington IA.

The prospective groom is a 2003 graduate of Southern Wells High School and a 2005 graduate of Universal Technical Institute in Chicago with a major in mechanics. He works as a diesel mechanic for H&L Mack in Mediapolis IA. He is the son of Sylvia Chamberlain of Warren.







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#### CLUB NEWS

Van Buren American Legion Auxiliary Unit 368 met at 7 p.m. June 1. 2006 at the Post.

Vice President Sheri Reneer called the meeting to order. Pledge to the Flag and our preamble was said. Secretary Lori Linton read the minutes from the last meeting, Treasurer Irene Pickard gave finance report. Also reported poppy donations this year were way down.

Chaplain Waneta Bald, with help of Linda Long, did Memorial Service for our five deceased members for this year.

Ruth Bole reported our restroom on west end has been redone except the floor. Body agreed to put new carpet and linoleum down to finish the project.

Legion Riders will be at the Post June 17 & 18 for the weekend. The Auxiliary is making breakfast both days for the riders. The profit will go to the building fund. Linda Long made motion to buy 10 bottles of sunscreen from CVS and they are to send them to our service people overseas. Second by Lori Linton, carried.

Lori Linton asked about us doing fund raiser of Glamour Shots. Waneta Bald made motion to do so, second by Elisha Butler, car-

Meeting was turned over to installing officers. Waneta Bald and Irene Pickard.

Officers installed were President Lori Linton, Vice President Linda Long, Secretary Carol Ritter, Treasurer Irene Pickard, Chaplain Waneta Bald, Historian Leguita Taylor.

New president Lori Linton read her chairmanships for the year 2006-2007.

Those attending: Lori Linton, Sheri Reneer, Irene Pickard, Waneta Bald, Carol Ritter, Eula Belle Farr, Linda Long, Sally Bancroft, Lequita Taylor, Elisha Butler, Ruth Bole, Flo Doyle, Jere Edwards, Creta Arlington.

Next meeting July 6, 2006. Come and help our new officers.

## FATHER'S DAY CARDS

The Wells County 4-H Jr. Leaders are offering free Father Father's Day cards this year in conjunction with the Indiana State Department of Health.

Instead of buying a Father's Day card, 4-H would like youth in the community to give their loved ones a card designed by the American Cancer Society which sends a clear message about the importance of prostate cancer education.

The cards can be given to fathers, uncles, grandfathers, brothers or even family friends.

The attractive card includes a small insert about cancer and how to obtain more information.

Cards are available at the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, located at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

#### DONATE A CAR

Cardonation is a good alternative to the hassle of trying to fix and sell it. cars4charities turns these cars, trucks, vans, pickups and SUVs into cash and sends the entire net proceeds to the charity the donor selects from their impressive list of over 250 National and local charities. Some of the benefiting charities include; Breast Cancer Research Foundation, American Foundation for the Blind, Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation, First Candle/SIDS Alliance, Children's Tumor Foundation.

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## LOOK GOOD ... FEEL BETTER

Parkview Huntington Hospital will host the American Cancer Society's Look Good ... Feel Better program at Relay for Life of Huntington County on Friday, June 16, at Kriegbaum Field in Huntington, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Look Good ... Feel Better provides information and cosmetic advice to women battling cancer. The training includes hands-on instruction on makeup, skin care and suggestions for using wigs, turbans and scarves. It also includes tips on nail care while

undergoing treatment.

Cosmetics will be provided for personal makeovers, and those who wish to participate must register. The program is free of charge and is facilitated by trained, licensed cosmetologists - all American Cancer volunteers.

To register or for more information, call the local American Cancer Society at (260) 471-3911, or toll free at (800) 509-7543.

Look Good ... Feel Better is sponsored by the American Cancer Society, The Cosmetic, Toiletry, and Fragrance Association and the National Cosmetology Association.

## BAT RISKS

Spring temperatures are getting warmer, and state health officials say that means more bat activity. As bats become more active, there is an increased risk for rabies transmission through human and pet contact with bats.

"We're entering the time of year where we're seeing a lot of bat to human contact including individuals finding bats in their living spaces," said James Howell, D.V.M, veterinary epidemiologist with the Indiana State Department of Health. "We've already had three rabies positive bats that had potentially exposed a human or a pet. For the past 5 years, Indiana has identified an average of 20 rabies positive bats a vear."

Rabies is a virus that attacks the brain and nervous system of humans and other mammals. It is transmitted through a bite, or very rarely - saliva entering a person's mouth, nose, eyes, or open wound. Although rabies is fatal, preventive measures are available if a person is bitten. State health officials recommend that if bitten by a bat or other suspected rabid animal, seek medical attention immediately.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, rabies can only be confirmed in a laboratory. But any bat that is active in the day, is not able to fly, or is found in a place where bats are usually not seen, is very easy to approach, and far more likely to have rabies. As a result, bats should never be handled. Bites by bats are considered high risk.

"People need to take precau-

tions to prevent bat bites," said Dr. Howell. "The first step is to bat-proof your house. Second, don't handle bats."

Other precautions include:

If you or other family members are awakened by a bat or a bat is seen in the room of a child or disabled person, try to capture the bat in a sealable container. If caught, do not release the bat. Submit it to your local health department for rabies testing.

To capture a bat, you will need leather work gloves, a small box or coffee can, a piece of cardboard, and tape. When the bat lands, place the box or can over it, and slide the cardboard under the container to trap the bat inside. Tape the cardboard to the container and punch small holes in the cardboard to allow the bat to breathe. Contact your local health department to submit the animal.

If you are bitten, or come in close contact with a bat, immediately discuss it with your physician to determine whether or not you should receive treatment.

If you believe your pet has been bitten, contact a veterinarian. Contact a pest control specialist, for assistance in bat-proofing your home. Bats can enter through a hole as small as onequarter inch.

For more information about rabies and bats, visit www.cdc.gov/ ncidod/dvrd/rabies.

## OFF-ROAD VEHICLE LAWS

Many off-road vehicle users are misinformed about pertinent laws, according to the DNR Law Enforcement Division. As use of ORVs increases with the season, so do violations involving them. To avoid fines and maximize safety, ORV users should familiarize themselves with all related regulations.

According to Conservation Officer J.P. Salb of DNR law enforcement, all ORVs operated on public property must be registered with the DNR, as must all ORVs purchased in or after 2004. Registration forms are available from most dealers, license

branches, and on the Web at the DNR customer service center. They also can be printed at www.in.gov/dnr/outdoor/ohv/ ohvfaq.htm.

A relatively new law to help curb theft and resale of stolen ORVs also has taken effect. Owners of an ORV five model years or newer, and purchased after December 31, 2005, must obtain a certificate of title from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

The law also prohibits an individual from operating an ORV required to be registered on a public highway, street, or on a public or private parking lot not specifically designated for such use, except under the certain conditions. For instance, an ORV may be operated on the public right-of-way next to the traveled part of a public highway (except a limited-access highway), but only with sufficient width to allow a reasonable distance from the part traveled by general traffic.

For more basic information and to learn more about safe ORV operation, go to www.offroaded.com/in/handbook/. A complete copy of Indiana's ORV laws is at www.ai.org/legislative/ic/code/ title14/ar16/ch1.html.



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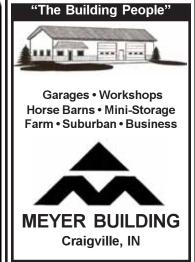
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# HOLDMAN NAMED CHARIMAN

Independent Alliance Banks, Inc. (IAB) has elected Travis Holdman Chairman of the Board of Directors and Michael C. Marhenke President and Chief Executive Officer. IAB is a two-bank holding company that includes Grabill Bank and MarkleBank and was formed in May 2005. Holdman, who previously served as CEO, replaces Brent L. Clifton who was named Chairman Emeritus.

"This adjustment to our corporate governance structure provides for more strategic consistency and leadership with long term growth efforts," said Brent Clifton, Chairman Emeritus of the \$830 million holding company. In addition to shareholder and community relations, strategic planning and policy development, Holdman will have responsibilities for strategic development of the holding company.

Holdman will continue to serve on the MarkleBank Board of Directors. He joined MarkleBank as an officer in 1996 and has served as President and CEO for the last ten years. The search for Holdman's replacement as President and CEO of MarkleBank has begun, and plans should allow for him to move to the fulltime Chairman position by this fall.

"I am looking forward to my new duties at the holding company level," said Holdman. "I have great confidence in the Board and executive team at MarkleBank as they are some of the finest and brightest leaders in the banking industry."

# Women Veterans Coordinator Named

Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs (IDVA) Director Tom Applegate announced today that Kristin A. Bertrand has been appointed as the state's first fulltime Women Veterans Coordinator.

"Kris is a welcome addition to the IDVA staff," Applegate said. "She brings experience to the position and to a program which has received little emphasis from this Department. It's a program which will need to be built from the ground up. I see good things happening for Hoosier women veterans who, in the past, have been pretty much invisible. We want them to know they are no longer the invisible veterans."

Kris is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, where she served from 1989 to 1993. She has a BSW (Bachelors in Social Work) from Indiana University School of Social Work, class of 2005, and is currently attending graduate school via distance learning

through the University of Wisconsin-Stout in Menomonie, Wisconsin.

Kris will perform as the State Women Veterans Coordinator in addition to her duties as a State Service Officer, helping Hoosier veterans, their dependents and survivors with their claims and applications for state and federal veterans' benefits. In her role as the Women Veterans Coordinator she will also ensure that all Hoosier women veterans have equitable access to federal and state services and benefits.

The goals of the Indiana Women Veterans Program are to:

- 1) Perform outreach to improve Hoosierwomen veterans' awareness of eligibility for federal and state veterans' services and benefits;
- 2) Assess the needs of women veterans with respect to improving the Women Veterans Program:
- 3) Make recommendations to the Director of IDVA to improve benefits and services;
- 4) Review programs, research projects, and other initiatives designed to address or meet the needs of Indiana's women veterans:
- 5) Incorporate women veterans' issues in the Department's strategic planning; and
- 6) Participate in national forums and committees for women veterans.

The program will provide assistance to women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces and forces incorporated as part of the U.S. Armed Forces, such as mobilized National Guard and Reserves, and who were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable.

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## BE A PART OF ISF

Now is the time to set plans into motion for the 150th Indiana State Fair. You can be a part of the fair itself by entering the "Open Class" at the Ag/Hort department. Your garden produce, flowers, and even scare crows can be entered for judging. The farm community can enter grains, hay, honey, and most any Indiana produced commodity.

Why enter??? There are several good reasons! First, you get to show off the entry you bring to the fair. When judged, there are several placings that pay prize money in each class. Second, you have bragging rights when you win a class. Third, and most important to many who have en-

tered over the years—it is just plain fun to participate in the Great Indiana State Fair as a competitor!

The "icing on the cake" is that for the \$30 entry fee you can enter up to 250 items in the department plus you will receive 6 tickets to the fair (a \$36.00 value!) This means we can enjoy all the activities of the fair and get paid for it with just a small investment.

Besides, when you enter your tomatoes, honey, hay, corn, peppers, onions, beans, etc. in each of their respective classes you could easily recoup the initial investment with the prize money. It is a winning situation from the start.

Start today planning on what you would like to bring to the fair. It is easy to enter. Just go the Indiana State Fair website, www.state.in.us/statefair, and click on the entry tab. There you will find a tab for the Open Class Entry list book as well as the online entry forms. The system will walk you through the entry process in a matter of minutes. For more information or assistance, contact the Huntington County Purdue Extension Office at 260-358-4826.

# LIFE SAVERS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

A simple blood pressure test could be one of the most important things you can do to save your life. High blood pressure is a risk factor for heart disease and stroke, controlling it and knowing the warning signs of these diseases can mean the difference between life and death. Help yourself and those you love with Life Savers, a new, free package of publications from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Federal Citizen Information Center.

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, and stroke is the third leading cause. Heart disease happens when veins and arteries get clogged, forcing the heart to work harder to pump blood. Strokes are caused when a blood clot or a ruptured artery cuts off the brain's blood supply, killing brain cells. Stroke and heart disease share the same risk factors that leading a good-for-you lifestyle will help to reduce. Stay active, eat right, control diabetes, and quit smoking to keep these two diseases at bay. And, most importantly, make sure to keep tabs on your blood pressure. Find more ways to lower your risks in the Life Savers package.

Knowing the symptoms of these

diseases may save your life or the life of someone you love. Chest pain isn't the only sign of heart disease. If you're a woman, you also need to watch out for trouble breathing, pain in the back between the shoulders, or an ache in the chest. But the most important sign is feeling extremely tired, even after you've gotten enough sleep. Men and women have similar symptoms for strokes. If you get a numb feeling in your face or a limb, lose sight in one or both eyes, get dizzy or fall unexpectedly, or become suddenly confused and have trouble speaking or understanding, call 911 immediately.

Medications are available that can help reduce the long-term effects of a stroke, but they only work if taken within the first three hours after the stroke happens.

Learn more about the risk factors and signs of heart disease and stroke with the Life Savers package. It's filled with information you shouldn't live without. There are three easy ways to get your free package:

\*Send your name and address to Life Savers, Pueblo, Colorado 81009.

\*Visit http://www.pueblo.gsa.gov/rc/n42lifesaverspackage.htm to read or print out these and hundreds of other federal publications for free.

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mental Protection Agency. Learn how to make low-cost home improvements, buy energy efficient appliances, and change a few habits that can lead to big savings. To get started, consider washing laundry in cold water to save up to \$63 a year. For your free copy, send your name and address to the Federal Citizen Information Center, Dept. 626N, Pueblo, CO 81009. Or call tollfree 1 (888) 8 PUEBLO, that's 1 (888) 878-3256, and ask for Item 626N. And visit http:// www.pueblo.gsa.gov to place your order online or to read or print out this and hundreds of other FCIC publications for free.

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