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Thought for the Week: Anxiety does not empty tomorrow of its sorrows but only empties today of its strength. Charles Spurgeon



THERE'S A NEW CAT IN TOWN

The Van Buren's Garfield Statue was unveiled at the 2006 Popcorn Festival. The dedication ceremony was August 10, 2006 at 6:15 at the Van Buren Library just prior to the start of the 2006 Popcorn

Jim Davis, A Grant County native, creator of "Garfield, the Movie" and the cartoon strip "Garfield", has given Grant County a very unique opportunity. He has granted the county the opportunity to place statues of Garfield in each of the nine communities in Grant County. Each statue will be approximately five feet tall, made of high-density fiberglass, and each will have a personality that represents that community. They will be placed in a high-visibility location, and they will be secure, and easily accessible. Each statue will be userfriendly and provide photo opportunities.

The idea is to provide an educational opportunity for children, encouraging them to read and use their creative skills. It is also intended to enhance tourism, diversify the economy, and create community pride.

SUPPORT WVFD

You can support the Warren Volunteer Fire Department by buying a T-shirt with their logo on it!!! The shirts can be purchased at Markle Bank and National City for \$10.00 All proceeds will go to the WVFD. Thank you for supporting our fire department!

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT

We are pleased to announce that we will be having two talented speakers for this quarter.

Brent Birdsall is the Senior Pastor at College Park Church in Huntington and Nanci Rosinski is a Counselor at Marion General Hospital. Together they will be discussing topics such as the

Spiritual struggle patients with Alzheimer's and their loved ones endure. As well as some of the personality changes people with Alzheimer's may experience as the disease progresses and how that can impact the family.

Join us August 21, in the 1A Activity room at the United Methodist Memorial Home, 801 Huntington Ave at 7:00 p.m.

BARN SALE

The Warren United Methodist Memorial Home, as part of their Pacesetter Campaign for the United Way of Huntington County will be having a barn sale on Saturday August 26th, from 8:00 a.m. to ??? The sale will be held at the gray barn behind the Methodist home. Signs will be in place for you to easily find the barn. Items available for sale are refrigerators, recliners, end tables, lamps, bed frames, a glass top dining table and many more items too numerous to mention. Come and help the home clean out their barn and also give a big help to the United Way campaign. Hope to see you there.

ORIENTATION NIGHT

On Wednesday, August 23, the Warren SWNS will welcome parents and their children to Orientation night. There will be a meet and greet the teachers from 6-7pm and a short meeting will be held from 7-7:30pm for our parents. The children attending will have their own activities in the gym that the board members will supervise.

SWNS provides a loving, learning experience for 3 and 4 year old children. The goals are to provide each child with the opportunities for his/her social, emotional, physical, intellectual and spiritual growth.

The pre-school does have a few remaining openings. Please phone Diana Kratzer with any questions in regards to registration 375-3244.

MIND CAPTURE IS COMING

On Wednesday, September 6th - Mind Capture is Coming to Warren! Make plans to attend the dynamic, business building

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About the presenter: Tony Rubleski is the president of Mind Capture Group based in Spring Lake, MI. He's the author of the marketing book Mind Capture which has been praised by many of the top marketing minds in the world. His company focuses on direct marketing, advanced pr and sales and marketing training for business groups, and sales

His work has been featured in Bottom Line Magazine, The Detroit Free Press, the FOX TV network and countless business publications and newsletters. He's also celebrating the release of the new book Walking With the Wise Entrepreneur in which he was selected to be a contributing author along with Donald Trump, Bill Gates, Robert Kiyosaki, Brian Tracy and many other top business minds.

To register for this amazing event please contact:

The Warren Area Chamber by calling 260-375-3175 or via email: warrenareachamber@hotmail.com

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Dillman United Brethren Church's annual ice cream social will be Saturday, August 26, 4 to 7 PM in the Church's Fellowship Hall. Featured will be Dillman made sloppy joe, hot dog and sloppy dog sandwiches, chips, relishes, ice cream, pies, and cakes. Free will donations will be taken. Proceeds will be used for the building fund.

Dillman Church is located 3 miles west of State Road 3 on 900 South in Wells County. From Grant County, 1 mile east into Wells County on Grant County Road 400 North. It is on the corner of Wells County Roads 900S and 1100W in Jackson Township.

Nominations Sought

Pathfinder Services, Inc., is once again searching for someone in the community who has made an extra effort to assist persons with disabilities. Nominations for the 20th annual Herbert D. LaMont Award must be made by Wednesday September 6, 2006.

The award is given in memory of Herbert D. LaMont, who was a major force in the development of services for persons with disabilities in Huntington County. He was an early supporter of Pathfinder Services, Inc.

Awards have been presented to Judy Vanderspool, a Special Education Teacher with the Huntington County Community Schools, who began her career with Pathfinder Services; Bill Kruzan, former director of Special Education for the schools; Helen Brandt, long time volunteer for Pathfinder Services; Kay LaMont, Kids Kampus campaign chairperson and former Pathfinder Board member; Dr. Eugene Habecker, for ongoing work between Pathfinder Services and Huntington College; Dr. John Regan, for his role in founding Pathfinder Services in 1966; Chuck Nelson, for his support of

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Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637. WARREN WEEKLY will make every effort to see that all advertising copy is correctly printed. The firm assumes no financial responsibility for typographical errors in advertising, but will gladly reprint without charge that part in which an error may occur, provided that it is reported within five days of publication.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

Is IT JUST JUNK OR CAN IT BE RECYCLED?

After cleaning the garage, redoing the basement, and going through the house reducing clutter, a question arises. How to dispose of the discards?

Actually your options are many. Such as:

Eyeglasses: The Lions Club has been recycling eyeglasses for approximately 80 years.

Clothing: Unwanted apparel can be donated to a charity such as Goodwill or sold to a consignment shop.

Blankets, towels, and bedding: These can be donated to your local animal shelter for use as bedding.

Oil: Quick-lube shops such as Jiffy Lube and auto stores such as Pep-Boys will take used oil.

Cans, glass containers, and plastics: Many areas have recycling centers where such materials can be dropped off. Call for specific information as different areas accept different items.

Household toxins: Almost all areas have toxics drop off or Tox-Away days. Check with your local waste management company. Antiques, dishes, and other general items: Consider a garage sale. Make some money and find your old favorites a new home.

Computers: Some schools and charities accept computers. Check out other options at www.UsedComputer.com.

Cars: Various organizations including Goodwill will accept your car. Some raffle them off for charity. Earth Share through Car Program LLC accepts cars, trucks, trailers, boats, and RV's.

Books: Your old friends can be donated to a library for their book sale or given to an assisted living facility that might need books for their library.

Aluminum cans and other scrap metals: These are "hot" items and can be sold to scrapyards. A recycle center would be pleased to get

Computer printer and copier ink cartridges: Many business supply stores, including Staples, accept them.

Mobile phones, pagers, and PDAs: These can be recycled through Collective Good who will make a donation to your favorite charity. Check at www.collectivegood.com.

For more information on recycling of various products look at web site www.obviously.com/recycle.

BACK TO SCHOOL: WHERE AND WHEN?

As the days of August roll on, many of our schools open their doors and welcome back students. The scenarios range from a small child clutching her mother's hand to the excited high school senior preparing for his final year before college or the work force.

School has changed from the "one room for all grades" schoolhouse portrayed in Little House on the Prairie. Then, we had an agricultural economy and long summer breaks were needed so children could help with the planting and harvesting.

With the changing of our lifestyles, the school-year calendar has changed. Not all students attend nine months of traditional school followed by an extended summer break. Some schools now follow a plan of around- the- year schooling that allows for periods of schooling followed by short vacations. Many families like this approach because it is easier to schedule vacations and holidays. They like the idea of their children's' brains being continually stimulated.

A newer practice is for parents to take on the role of homeschooling their children. Contrary to belief, most of these students don't live and

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Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.

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Wednesday Prayer Service ..7:00p.m.

694-6622

Pastor Dan Sommer Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School9:00 a.m. Bible Study, Wednesday.....10:00 a.m. Worship 10:15a.m. Youth Fellowship Sun6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study
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BRETHREN 468-2412

Mel Zumbrun, Pastor Sunday Evening6:00 p.m. Church School10:45a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH 758-2085

Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor Sandy Keplinger, Supt. Worship9:30 a.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH 8294S 900W 35

Gary Riley, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m. Studies - all Sunday 6:00 p.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m. Thurs. Kings Kids6:30 p.m. BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m. Sunday School8:45 a.m. CWF Ladies (3 Tue)6:00 p.m.

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375-2510 Bill Keen, Pastor

Bus Service 375-2510 Fellowship9:15 a.m. Sunday School9:30 a.m. SUNDAY: Worship & Communion9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 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

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

> SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto Steve Sutton, Pastor 765/728-2065 for more info

Coffee Fellowship.......8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship.......10:30a.m. Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship Worship9:15 a.m. ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m.

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts. Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preach-

ing and Discipleship Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life

Debbie Wiley, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m. **VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

765-934-1431 Pastor Blake J. Neff

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 10:30a.m.

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

1st Worship......9:00 a.m. 2nd Worship......10:30 a.m. 3rd Worship11:11 a.m. Sunday School Children & Youth Programs
PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH

OF CHRIST 375-2691

Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN 468-2411

Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt.

Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery Sunday School10:45 a.m. Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Wednesday: CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m. **UNITED METHODIST**

MEMORIAL HOME

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN

Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m.

> **ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST**

8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier Rev. John Wallace, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m.



Area News

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the organization's mission through numerous activities when he was chairman of the Board: Wynfield and Lyn Wetherbee, for assisting the Pathfinder staff in acquiring communication technology; Kent and Sally Schenkel, who have made contributions as parents, board members, and donors to Pathfinder Services, Inc.; Royce Ruckman, for his role in inspiring others in supporting and enabling a family member with a disability; the late Tom Butler, for his role in organizing Pathfinder Services, Inc. and his service on its board of directors; Mary Brennan, who taught Pathfinder Services' first classes for children with special needs; Fred Teddy, who started the organization's first sheltered workshop for adults who had developmental disabilities, Roger Strickler, for his service on the Pathfinder Services board of directors and assistance establishing Pathfinder Foundation, Inc.; David Brewer, one of the original Pathfinder Foundation Board members: John and Midge Decker, for their advocacy and volunteerism in supporting our clients' integration into the community; George Brown, for his work as a teacher and pre-vocational counselor of special needs students; Lola Lee Peters, who was a teacher of special needs children at Pathfinder Services and in the Huntington County school system; Fr. Ron Reider of SS. Peter & Paul Church, who has helped countless members of the community throughout his years in Huntington; and Altrusa International, which has helped the clients of Pathfinder Services every year from its annual client picnic to purchasing a gift for the clients each Christmas. Last year's recipient was Suze Ann Eichhorn who devoted 21 years of her life working as a volunteer for the developmentally disabled

Past recipients of the LaMont Award were selected because of their continued years of dedication to making the community more aware of persons with disabilities and their potential. They have been involved in many special projects at Pathfinder Services Inc. The award is designed to recognize an individual or organization that, through everyday example, creates the potential for persons with disabilities to become an integrated part of community life in Huntington County.

Criteria used to select recipients include:

The nominee has made significant contributions towards creating opportunities for persons with disabilities to reach their maximum potential through communicating, working, and living as an integrated part of the Huntington community.

- * Seeking by example to communicate and educate the Huntington community about the capabilities of persons with disabilities to become part of the mainstream of the community.
- Concrete examples of the nominee's activities are necessary to document the impact made.
- * The candidate must be active in Huntington County.
- No current staff member of Pathfinder Services, Inc. is eligible for the award.

Letters of nomination may be sent to: LaMont Award Committee, c/o Jason Meyer, Assistant to the President, Pathfinder Services, Inc., P0 Box 1001, Huntington IN 46750

The winner will be announced at Pathfinder Services Inc.'s annual community recognition event to be held later this year.

WILDCAT FESTIVAL

The Markle Wildcat festival with be held August 25th - August 28th. A 5K run/walk will be held on Saturday. August 26th starting at the Markle Park. Race day registration begins at 6:15 a.m.-7:15 and the 5K will begin at 7:30. Entry fees will apply. There will also be a fun run for kids 12 and under following the 5K. Awards will be given to 1st - 3rd place male and female overall, 1st-2nd place male and female masters and 1st place male and female in each age group.

The annual golf scramble will be held on August 19th at Frazanda Golf Course in Huntington. Sign up sheets will be at Crossroads Pantry in Markle and at Frazanda or contact Gary Shroyer at 260-543-2828.

Voting for persons nominated for the Markle Grouch contest will begin August 10th and end at noon on August 18th. Ballots are 25 cents a vote, and ballot containers will be located at the MarkleBank, Library, Crossroads Pantry, Tender Gardens, The Pickle, Markle Furniture Store and Davis Family Restaurant. To qualify for the Grouch Contest, you must be 18 years of age or older and Live or work in Markle. Our 4 Town Grouches are honorable citizens and are interested in making Markle a better place to live in. They are good "sports" and realize someone has to be recognized as the Town Grouches according to the signs posted along the roads leading into town. The newly elected Grouches will be announced on Friday evening, August 25th and will ride in the front of the parade on Saturday morning and then judge the parade. Please contact Bekah Mounsey at Ph 260-758-2131 for more information.

A dedication of the downtown renovation project is also being planned for Friday August 25th starting at 4 p.m. at the Markle United Methodist Church parking lot at the corner of Clark St and Morse St. Lt. Governor, Becky Skillman will be in attendance for the ceremony. Following the ceremony, refreshments will be served and the Wildcat Festival will kick off at the Markle Park.

New for this year will be the townwide garage sale. To participate, contact Darcy Long at 260-758-3193 Ext 302 for more information.

169 Trailer Center of Markle has once again generously donated a5X8Sure-TracTubeTopAngle Iron Trailer for the fundraising auction to be held on Saturday, August 26th at 2:30. Tools, dryer, computer and fishing equipment and more have also been donated. Persons that would like to donate items for the auction may contact Linda Beck at 758-2889 or Bill Thomas at 758-2064.

A raffle for a 90 second shopping spree at the Community Market in Ossian is taking place. Tickets will be available at Tender Gardens Flowers and Gifts, The Pickle and Crossroads Pantry. The winner will be announced on Sunday, August 27 during the annual car show. Tickets for the 50/50 cow patty drop are also available for purchase from any committee member or at the information booth during the festi-

Country band, Shilo will perform Saturday, August 26th from 7 - 9 p.m. on the front ball diamond at the Markle Fish and Game Park. Bring lawn chairs or sit in the bleachers and come early for the best seats.

2006 Wildcat Festival T-shirts are also available at Tender Gardens and MarkleBank.

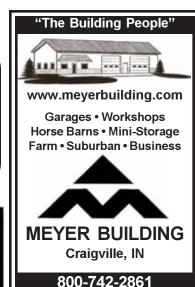
Many of the favorite activities will return again this year. Start Saturday morning off with a pancake and sausage breakfast at the Markle Methodist Church from 6:30 - 9:30 a.m. (free will donation). Markle Furniture is sponsoring a free fishing derby at the Markle Pool starting at 7 a.m. There will be two age groups; ages 5 – 12 and age 13 - adult. Prizes will be awarded to each group for the biggest fish. Free donuts and coffee will be served. A basketball dribbling contest and exhibition will be held on the parade route beginning at the corner of 224 and Clark St. at 9:45 prior to the parade starting at 10 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to the best dribbler, the best dressed, oldest and youngest dribblers. Contact Bill Thomas

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SEND YOUR FAVORITE OUT-OF-TOWNER, COLLEGE STUDENT OR RELATIVE A SUBSCRIPTION TO THE Warren Weekly. It makes a treasured gift EVERY YEAR. (SEE PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS)

Bread of Life Food Pantry Hours Wednesday 4-5:30 p.m. Saturday 10 to 11:30 at Knight Civic Center OR

Call for an appointment 375-2381



47th Annual Slusher Reunion

The descendants of William and Daisy May Slusher will hold their 47th annual family reunion on Sunday, August 27th at the Dillman UB Church Fellowship Hall. The reunion will begin at noon with a carry-in lunch at 12:30. Chicken will be provided. Bring the family out for an enjoyable meal and an afternoon of summer fun.

Fresh/Silk Flowers **Music Boxes Green/Blooming Plants Stuffed Animals** Gifts/Greeting Cards Balloons/Party Supplies and much more!



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

Aug 16 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Aug 18 Warren Recycle Day Aug 28 Warren Town Council, 8 a.m., Assembly Hall Sep 1 Warren Recycle Day Sep 4 **Labor Day** Chamber of Commerce Luncheon, Noon, Sep 6 Assembly Hall Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Sep 6

Sep 8 & 9 ArtisanFest - downtown Warren Sep 8 & 9 See How They Run at the Pulse Opera House Knight Bergman Center Board Meeting, 8 am at KBC Sep 9

Sep 11 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Sep 12 Our Town Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Assembly Hall Sep 14, 15, 16 See How They Run at the Pulse Opera House Sep 15 Warren Recycle Day

Sep 21, 22, 23 See How They Run at the Pulse Opera House

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 Fridays Farmer's Market - Saturdays, 8am - Noon Located in the former BMV Parking Lot.

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at 758-2064 for more information. Entries are still being accepted for the annual parade, which will be on Saturday, August 27th at 10 am. Parade entry deadline is August 18th. Please contact Joel or Sandi Howard at 758-9861 for entry forms. Following the parade, the park will be open for fun all day. The kids can play free on a double slide, dunk tank, kiddie pillar, deluxe moonwalk, and Jurassic adventure inflatables from 11 a.m. – dusk.

We would like to thank everyone who has supported the Wildcat Festival through monetary donations, food donations and by attending the fundraisers held though out the year. Special Thanks go out to Crossroads Pantry, Bryers, Pretzels of Bluffton, and The Pickle for their contributions to the port-a-pit lunch fundraiser.

CRAFT BAZAAR

The Blackford County Extension Homemakers would like to invite you to sell your crafts at their Annual Holiday Craft Bazaar on Saturday, November 4, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. at the Blackford County 4-H Building. Tables will be reserved on a first reserved-first served basis. There will be a charge of \$10.00 per table and you can reserve no more than 3 tables. Call (765) 348-3213 or stop in at Purdue Extension Office of Blackford County, 119 North High Street, Hartford City, to re-quest an application. Deadline is September 18, 2006.

ATTENDED CONFERENCE

Gayle Melcher, a Pampered Chef Independent Consultant, attended National Conference in July.

Conference was held July 17-19 in Chicago, Illinois. She had the opportunity to tour the Pampered Chef home office & the inside workings of the shipping warehouse. She also attended a variety of workshops and classes that included Cooking Show Live! & Building your Business in 90 days & 3 additional courses with keynote speakers.

Pampered Chef will have over 40 new products coming out for the fall. These will be available for sale after September 01. Melcher was able to view the new product lines hands-on & is excited about the upcoming new product line & some older products being reintroduced.

Bring some fun back into your kitchen & contact Gayle for more about benefits of hosting your own Pampered Chef party, wedding registry, fundraiser or would like to view the new catalogs. She is currently scheduling through December. She can be

contacted at 260 410 2856 or by visiting her website at www.pamperedchef.biz/gaylemelcher

HR & FINANCIAL SERVICES MOVED

Bluffton, IN—The Human Resources and Patient Financial Services departments of Bluffton Regional Medical Center have relocated.

Human Resources remains in the Bluffton Regional South Campus building but has moved to a different location, further south along the first floor hallway. The department is now most easily accessible through the Main Street entrance, and is immediately to the north of the double sliding doors. People interested in learning about career opportunities at Bluffton Regional may visit the hospital's web site at www.blufftonregional.com and click on "Join Our Team" or call the automated job line at 260/ 919-3854.

Patient Financial Services has moved to an out building across from the Downtown Campus. The department is now located at 105 Cherry Street. People who need to speak with a representative regarding billing concerns should call the hospital at 260/824-3210 or visit the Patient Financial Services department during normal business hours.

Both of these moves were made to allow for the creation of a medical office suite for a new, full-time orthopedic surgeon who will be joining the community in November of this year. Details of the new orthopedic practice will be announced in the coming weeks.

OPEN WITH VICTORY

The Lady Eagles met the Fort Wayne Angels in their opening Away match at Fellowship Missionary Church on Tillman Road in Fort Wayne.

The Varsity Lady Eagles won 25-6, 25-7, 25-20. For the match Senior Stephanie Gahman had 16 serves with no errors, including 2 aces, scored on 3 kills and set 5 assists. Junior Samantha Kelsey served up 9 aces, smashed down 7 kills and scored on a block. Sophomore Rebecca Daniels 2 aces, 5 kills, 2 blocks; a new addition to the Lady Eagles lineup, Meredith Mills, contributed 2 aces, 1 block and 10 assists. Christina Criswell scored on 1 kill. Kaleigh Shultz had 3 aces & 1 kill. Kelsey Featherston 1 ace. Kaitlin Layman 1 ace. Abby Freeland had 2 good serves and Brittany Oden added a serve.

The Varsity Lady Eagles are coached by Mark Campbell.

The next Home match will be Friday, August 18, 2006 at 6:30 PM, against the Indy Lightening, at the Spiece Fieldhouse in Fort Wayne.

SISTER'S 15TH VACATION

Once again the Stanley Sisters grouped together to head north for their annual vacation. Every year we remind ourselves that it may be the last time for all 10 of us to vacation together, however, God has blessed us abundantly and we are all still healthy. However, sometimes, it is a different story for our spouses.

As it turned out this year, only nine of us were able to vacation together. It is just not as much fun when one of the sisters is missing. Kate King was unable to go due to the many treatments and doctor's appointments that Ron had scheduled. Please keep Ron, Kate and their family in your prayers as he continues to battle cancer.

Also Evelyn's husband, Swede is confined at home and she was unable to leave him home alone. She solved that problem by inviting all of us girls to her home for a week. It worked out GREAT.

She has a large house with plenty of bedrooms and bathrooms. A large part of the rooms in her home are taken up by her large doll, bear and figurine collection, (I counted 133 dolls staring at me as I walked around in her living room, sunroom, and hallways). Brenda and Janet slept in the doll bedroom with dozens of dolls and bears watching their every move. I know she has many many more stored in boxes. I thought I could hear the dolls talking to each other at night.

Evelyn lives in Elkhart, so it was just a short drive for us to go to South Bend on Tuesday to do a little bargain hunting. We don't get to shop at many places because it takes sooooo long to get everyone rounded up and back in the vans at each stop.

Since the weather was so hot, only 6 of us ventured to Shipshewana on Tuesday. It seems like the "flea market" is mostly tee shirts and socks anymore. We did find a couple of stands with nice items but you have to walk all the aisles just to be sure you don't miss out on some special treasure.

We did ourgood deeds on Thursday as we all pitched in to help Evelyn with some projects. We washed windows, mowed lawn, trimmed hedges, put together a cabinet, hung a couple of cabinets and did some house cleaning etc. It was fun working together; of course Evelyn objected, but she was out voted. As she says, it is hard to get everything done when you have to do it all yourself plus be a nurse.

Once again, Evelyn's daughter, Diane and her husband Dan, entertained us with a wonderful gourmet meal and a ride down the St. Joseph River on their pontoon. It was a perfect evening to be out on the water.

The days flew by far too fast and it was soon time for us to pack up for home. Even though we don't go to fancy restaurants and exotic places, we think we have the greatest vacation just being together. We have a lot of "share & care" time and fun playing games. Even cooking and washing dishes are no chore when everyone pitches in and we just have a crazy time.

Those enjoying the vacation were Laura Smithley, Jean Pilgrim, Evelyn Lindstrom, Pat Furnish, Mary Shaw, Janet Daugherty, Mona Pinkerton, Brenda Kendall and Rita Benefiel. We sure missed you Kate!

INTERURBAN VIDO

Charlie Myers, former resident of Bluffton, will present Indiana Railroad: Video of the Interurban on Thursday, August 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Wells County Public Library. The 90-minute program is free and open to the public. Myers, whose parents owned and operated Myers Gun Shop on Wabash Avenue (now N. Oak Street Extended) has researched the interurban railroads in Indiana and the surrounding states for over 30 years. His fascinating video includes actual footage of the interurbans. For more information, contact the library at 260-824-1612.

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GENEALOGY REPORT

BALD



Arthur E Bald, 86, of 301 East Plum St., Van Buren, IN, died Wednesday, August

9, 2006 at 9:21pm in Marion General Hospital emergency

He was born Tuesday, February 24, 1920 in Burksville, IL, Son of the late John H. Bald and the late Alma Hesterburg Bald. He married his first wife Elsie Neurohr Bald, in 1946 she died in 1987. He married his second wife, Waneta Linton Bald November 13. 2005 in Van Buren. IN.

He was a part-owner of the Waterloo Motors, a car dealership in Waterloo, IL from 1946 to -1976. From 1976 to 1982 when he retired, he owned and operated Bald's garage in Columbia, IL. Mr. Bald was a member of the board of directors of the State Bank of Waterloo, IL for 26 years, retiring in 2006.

Mr. Bald was a veteran of WW2, serving from 1942 to 1945 as a TEC-4 with the 79th Div. HQ &. HQ Co. 315th Infantry in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland and Central Europe.

Surviving are his wife, Waneta Bald of Van Buren, IN: two Stepsons, Terry (Lori) Linton of Marion, IN, Kenneth Linton of Warsaw, IN; Step-Daughter, Linda (Garry) Long of Van Buren, IN; 5 Step-Grandchildren; Sister, Wilma (Wilbert) Stellhom of Red Bud,

He was preceded in death by his father John H. Bald; mother Alma Hesterburg Bald; first wife Elsie Neurohr Bald and sisters Edna Bald and Norma Meyer.

Services were held at H. Quernheim Co. PC Funeral Home, Tuesday, August 15, 2006 at 10:00am with Rev Tony Troup officiating. Interment followed in the Waterloo Cemetery, Water-

Locally visitation was held at the Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, Van Buren, Indiana.

COOLMAN

Michael R. Coolman, age 37, 418 N. Main Street, Warren., IN, died at 1:16 p.m. Saturday (August 12, 2006) at Lutheran Hospital in Ft, Wayne.

Mr. Coolman was with the Huntington County Community School Corporation for the past 11 years teaching social studies at Huntington North High School. He also coached for the Huntington North High School Boys Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball Teams, basketball and football at Salamonie Middle School and 2 years for the Riverview Middle School Football Team. Mike was a member of the Loon Creek Church of the Brethren, **Huntington County Classroom** Teacher Association, Indiana State Teacher's Association, Indiana State Textbook Adoption Committee and the Board of Zoning Appeals in Warren, IN.

Mr. Coolman was born on October 11, 1968 in Bluffton, IN, the son of Wallace and Delia A. (Vaughn) Coolman. He graduated from Huntington North High School in 1987 and Purdue University in 1991. A lifetime resident of Huntington County, Mike married Kimberly Scheib on August 3, 1991 in Huntington.

Survivors include his mother Delia A. Coolman of Huntington; his wife of 15 years - Kimberly Coolman of Warren; a son - Jared Coolman at home; a daughter -Jennifer Coolman at home and his brother - Robert Coolman of Bluffton, IN. His father preceded him in death.

Services were held at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Kathie S. Jones officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Huntington North High School Athletic Fund in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750. Online condolences to the fammay be sent to www.baileylove.com.

STROUP

Richard H. Stroup, 77, of rural Warren died at 9:13 a.m. Monday, Aug. 14, 2006, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Stroup was a lifelong farmer. He was a 1947 graduate of Warren High School and attended Plum Tree United Church of Christ.

Born on Feb. 13, 1929, in Warren, he was a son of Burr and Mildred (Wolverton) Stroup. His marriage on March 26, 1950, in Huntington was to Jean E. (McCloskey) Stroup, who sur-

Other survivors include a son, Gregor Stroup of Warren; two daughters, Jetty Stroup of Warren and Meshell Schloss of Fort Wayne; a sister, Kathleen Jacobs of Denver; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Stroup.

Calling is from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren.

Services are at 10 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home with Dr. Jeane Spoor officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Warren.

ADKINS

Mark D. Adkins, 45, 626 N. Wayne St., Warren, died at 3:32 a.m. Thursday (Aug. 10, 2006) at Parkview Huntington Hospital. Mr. Adkins had been employed at Northern Indiana Packaging in Huntington for the last six years. He had previously worked 16 years at Indiana Corrugated in Warren. He was a member of Van Buren American Legion Post 368 and Jonesboro American Legion Post 95.

He was born Feb. 23, 1961 in Port Clinton, Ohio, to Earl and Ethel Johnson Adkins. He was a 1979 graduate of Huntington North High School.

Survivors include his mother. Ethel Adkins, Warren; two sons, Erik D. Adkins, Taylors, S.C., and Garrett D. Adkins, Warren; a daughter, Cassidy J. Adkins, Warren; five brothers, Roy Adkins, Zanesville, Mike Adkins, west Texas, Jerry Adkins and Tim Adkins, both of Huntington, and Randy Adkins, Warren; a sister, Sharon Adkins, Warren; and five grandchildren.

Services were held at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Rev. Robert O. Bothast officiating.

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Grandparents are Jeff and Becky Souder of Warren and Dennis and Janell Brubaker of Huntington, Great-grandparents are Gene and Patricia Souder of Markle. Carol and Joan Pusifull of Markle, Mary K Omstead of Claypool. Paul and Lola Moore and Ruth Schoeff, all of Huntington.

100 YEARS YOUNG

Maggie Brown will be celebrating her 100th birthday on August 21, 2006. She has lived all her life near Warren and is a member of the Salamonie Brethren Church. She now has an apartment in Markle and is able to continue to take care of herself.

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

WARREN'S RED HATTERS

Jo Chatham started classes extra early for the Real Elegant Dames to give us a head start. She played the piano and the students sang "School Days" and what a fun time of sharing treasured memories of those long ago days.

Refreshments were a far cry from those old box lunches, and were relished by the whole class. As we have been asked to be the Greeters at the Art & Quilt Festival scheduled for 8-9 Sept. we completed the schedule to do so. Instead of an apple for the teacher, each student was gifted with an elegant wreath of their choice, created by a personal friend of the hostess. The students who braved the rain to come to class were: Mary Palmer, Fritz Boxell, Lilly Nutter, Velma Lindstrom, Dianna Bradford and Willie Hethcote. We also shared letters of thanks from the troops in Iraq, having sent 207 boxes to date. So blessed to have all postage paid by the dedicated patriots of the USS Salamonie Ass'n. We truly are the blessed Real Elegant Dames.

IDLE HOUR CLUB

The Idle Hour Club met in the Fahl dining room of the United Methodist Memorial Home for lunch on Monday, August 7, 2006 with Jean Boxell as hostess. The afternoon meeting in the Calico Lounge was opened by Edna Alfeld giving the thought for the day. "Marriage is like a violin, when the music stops the strings are still there." She gave a report on Marjorie Lieurance, Georgia Poulson and Evelyn Schweikhardt. Edna will send a card from the club to Evelyn.

In the absence of Georgia and Marjorie, Mildred Gilbert gave the secretary and treasurer reports. Roll call was each giving her favorite meat or meat dish.

Hostess Jean Boxell gave a reading "Mother's Garden". Helen Trout gave a report on when each member joined the club. 7-Up was played with Freda Finley low and Ruth Brooks high.

Those enjoying the day were: Edna Alfeld, Ruth Brooks, Freda Finley, Mildred Gilbert, Jane Haley, Clara Mossburg, Miriam Rice and Jean Boxell, hostess.

CLUB NEWS

Brown Doyle American Legion Unit 368 met August 3, 2006 at the post.

President Lori Linton opened the meeting. Chaplain Waneta Bald gave opening prayer.

Waneta Bald made motion to dispense with the rest of the opening. Seconded by Linda Long.

It was announced the Leader-

ship meeting will be August 19th at Post 10.

Creta Arlington asked for Irene Pickard's Publicity Book that took first place in State, to show them at the Leadership meeting.

Community Chairman Linda Long reported on a lady in our community that needed help. The auxiliary bought some food for her.

Discussion on fish fries. Need help and desserts.

Ruth Bole gave the audit report and budget for the coming year.

Those attending: Carol Ritter, Lori Linton, Irene Pickard, Lequita Taylor, Eulla Belle Farr, Sally Bancroft, Waneta Bald, Sheri Reneer, Jere Edwards, Jenna Russell, Ruth Bole, Creta Arlington and our Jr. Member Rikki Reneer. Next meeting September 7, 2006.

PERFECTIONISM AGAIN

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley We all want what we want and we want it RIGHT NOW! This impatience is because of our perfectionism which causes us to lash out without even thinking. That is the key; we don't stop and think before we open our mouths and stick our feet in. WE are always in such a hurry! And hurrying never got us any place faster. It just stressed us out and caused us to have an accident or do things we regret later.

We have to get our rest, slow down and think about what we are doing before we do it! Our routines help us with our impatience. The routines guide us in doing what we really need to do first and they free us up to be patient with those around us.

The really sad part is that we feel that we are justified in being impatient. This does not give us a license to be rude, hateful, use an ugly tone of voice to get our message across or to use bad four letter words.

Now listen to me closely. I am just as impatient as many of you are and have been known to blow a gasket. I think about why I am upset. I can see what is wrong. Many times I am too Hungry, Angry, Lonely or Tired. This is when I HALT and take care of myself. I am learning that I can accomplish much more if I use this method instead of the "Blow a Gasket" method; which really did nothing

but inflict collateral damage on everyone around me including myself.

When ever we pitch a fit like this we may think we are getting our way but in the long run what goes around comes around. We reap what we sow and if we sow discontent and impatience, we will reap more anger and rebellion along with passive aggressive behavior just to get back at us for our fit. I want you to think about a two year old and a temper tantrum. The child wants to be heard. As long as the child is pitching the fit; no one is hearing anything. The crying chair is one answer. This is a specific chair just for crying then the child is allowed to get up and come tell you exactly what they wants in a nice and kind way. NOT **DEMANDING!**

When we pitch a fit in our family or in public it doesn't matter how many times we try to apologize for our actions; they don't believe us. It is our actions that speak louder than our mere words of regret for our tantrum. If we don't stop this behavior we are going to lose our families and ourselves.

Rita Davenport taught me that when we do or say something negative in a fit that it takes seven nice actions to erase the bad that we have done. We have a lot of erasing to do. All we can do is jump in where we are and stop this impatient behavior right now. Your new ways taking care of yourself are going to help you get rid of your impatience. Old dogs can learn new tricks. Once we realize that what we have been doing is not working for us. We can only change our behavior and when we do; the way people react to us will be much different from the past. You have to set the example in love.

It helped me to recognize when I was getting impatient and frustrated. These are my signs: My voice gets louder, my faces starts burning and my ears get red, my chest breaks out in a rash, I feel a flash of anger, my jaw starts to clinch, I catch myself biting my lip and sitting on my hands. Do you know what your signs are? I want you to think about this and notice the next time you start to get impatient with things around you. Take a break and figure out for yourself what is happening. Don't lash out! Go to your own crying

I want you to FLY but getting impatient is not going to make it happen faster!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her new book, Body Clutter. Copyright 2006 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

BABY STEPPING WITH HEALTHY MUFFINS

by The Dinner Diva, Leanne Ely Why is it we start a diet only to abandon it about a week later? The inspiration and desire dwindles and the momentum fades to nothing.

The reason is that in order to change what you eat requires a shift in thinking, not just a change ingroceries. You need to view food with new eyes—as nutritional fuel and not as entertainment or medication. Eating healthier may require a little reading (education) a little more cooking (hands on nutrition) and adjusting to new tastes (new veggies, different herbs and spices). The bottom line is that in order to eat healthier, it will definitely mean change.

Your first baby step in eating healthier is starting with one meal. Leave the rest of your food alone-, start with just one meal, once a day and start this week. An easy meal to begin with is breakfast. Make sure you include eggs, whole grain bread, whole grain cereals (hot and cold), milk, yogurt (with active cultures) and some fresh fruit and orange juice on this week's grocery list. As you're enjoying your new and healthier breakfast, remember to keep portions in mind (4 ounces of orange juice is a good amount, for example) and watch how much better you feel eating amount, for example) and watch one nutritionally balanced meal once a day. Breakfast is your "shiny sink" for starting your healthy eating routine.

Don't wait to start! Eating healthy may require some changes, but

these types of changes will bless you, your body and your family for the rest of your lives!

Here is a wonderful muffin recipe to get you started on healthier breakfasts this week:

Mayberry Muffins

Serves 12

1 cup flour

3/4 cup whole wheat pastry flour 1/3 cup honey

4 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon lemon juice

3/4 cup buttermilk

don't overdo it.

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1/4 cup safflower oil 1 cup blueberries, fresh or frozen

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Prepare muffin tin by greasing or lining with paper cupcake liners. In a large bowl, mix together dry ingredients, and make a well in the center. In a separate bowl, mix wet ingredients well and add to dry ingredients. Mix till combined, but

Gently fold in the berries Spoon batter into prepared muffin tin, filling each cup 3/4 full.

Bake for 15-20 minutes or until baked through. Cool for 5 minutes in the muffin tin, and then remove individual muffins to a wire rack to cool.

Per serving: 173 Calories; 5g Total Fat; 3g Protein; 32g Carbohydrate; 1mg Cholesterol; 179mg Sodium

For more help putting dinner on your table check out her website www.SavingDinner.com or her Saving Dinner Book series published by Ballantine and her new book Body Clutter. Copyright 2006; Leanne Ely Used by permission in this publication.



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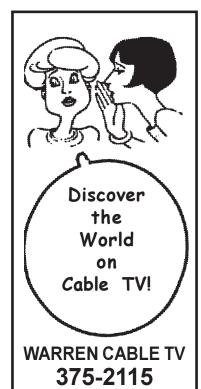
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by Cindy (Grubb) Heaton pictured above (SPECIAL TO THE ARIZONA DAILY STAR)

(Following is an article sent to the Warren Weekly from a former Warrenite regarding her recent graduation from College. Congratulations Cindy on all your hard and good luck in your job hunt!)

The Monday after my recent graduation from the University of Arizona wasn't a dark and stormy day—but it should have been. A rainy, monsoony Tucson day would have fit my mood better: a bit gloomy and out-of-sync, yet excited and exhilarated. Instead, it was as bright and beckoning as the future most college graduates expect.

The problem is that I'm not a normal college graduate. I'm what the univer-sity categorizes as "nontraditional," meaning I'm older than the typical col-lege ingenue. In my case, much older — I'm 54 years old. Attending college was a dream come true, an end in it-self, rather than a means to an end.

On that glorious, shining Monday, I had no clue what to do next. One thing I needed to do was learn to sleep more normally. No more cramming for fi-nals, no more all-night writing ses-sions, no more exam anxiety. The adrenaline dissipated and left me de-flated. I began reading incessantly, but for entertainment. What a kick! But most of all, I began procrastinating about work.

Throughout the college years, my real-life-after-college plans were vague. I'll go to grad school. I'll teach at Pima Community College. I'll write a book. All nonspecific goals. My expectation was to go to graduate school for a Master of Fine Arts degree. I applied to three MFA programs but wasn't ac-cepted, which left me out in the cold, for the fall semester at least. What to do, what to do?

Tune continues to ebb away, and my cash flow is following the same path. I've managed to take a few tentative steps toward job exploration. There are options out there. I just have to get in gear and seek them out.

Incredibly, despite a piece of paper that says I hold the degree of Bachelor of Arts in English and Creative Writing, "Magna Cum Laude and Honors," I feel less prepared for employment than I did after graduating from high school. I wonder if this is normal, or if it is a phenomenon more common among nontraditional students.

It seems there is a dividing point among nontraditional students. Stu-dents in their 30s and 40s are usually in college for specific career goals. The students who were my age and older seemed to be attending college, like me, to fulfill a lifelong hunger for learning. Nothing would make me happier than to be able to attend college the rest of my life. As one friend said, "Hey, you could go to school until you collect Social Security!"

Quitting my job of 12 years to begin Pima Community College was a pleas-antly terrifying experience—like parasailing for the first time, scary but exciting. From the decisive moment of choosing to go into debt for the privi-lege of attending college, financial se-curity became a nonissue. I worked at a few part-time jobs but mostly lived on grants and student loans, forcing my-self not to worry about the debt. However, the prospect of no income is rapidly becoming a frightening reality.

Still, I procrastinate. Like a kid stuck on the middle of a log over a rag-ing river, I can't turn around and go back, but I'm too paralyzed with fear to go forward. Unlike the kid, though, I don't know what's at the end of the log.

When I first announced my intent to become a full-time college student, someone said to me, "Where will you ever find a job that pays you more than \$13 an hour?" Those words mock me as they reverberate in my mind, but at this point I have to wonder, where will I find any job?

I can't seem to shake that darn graduation inertia. I want to go back to the university cocoon. Each semester, walking on campus among the brick buildings symbolizing knowledge, I was enchanted and

filled with wonder. The back of my neck prickled with anticipation and the awe of it. I belonged there! I could go into those buildings, sit in the classes and soak up the at-mosphere and knowledge. Me! I could do that!

Well, I did do that. My education is a treasure that can never be taken away. The next question is, can I make it count for something in the world? It's time to end the enervating inertia and put the education to use — time to get to work. I may have only 10 or 15 years, instead of 40, to create a satisfying ca-reer.

It's out there waiting for me, and I'm eager now to go find it.

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study in isolation but join groups of home-schooled children on educational outings and social functions. Organizations have emerged to aid parents with materials and curriculum. Not all states permit home schooling and each state has to be checked for its own special rules. To learn more about homeschooling and obtain a free newsletter visit www.homeschooling.about.com.

No matter which educational system is followed, some things will stay the same. Children will learn, socialize, play sports, and prepare to live in our new complicated computerized world.

