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Thought for the Week: A vacation is having nothing to do and all day to do it in. Robert Orben

Oops! Typo!

In the article last week about The SwitchUp, the new youth center coming to Van Buren my fingers got way out of whack.

The Tenderloin Supper fundraiser will be on February 11, 2012 (not the 22nd) at the Van Buren Elementary School. Donations can also be mailed to The SwitchUp, PO Box 394, Van Buren, IN 46991.

"The SwitchUp" will be a safe place for Van Buren and surrounding area teens to go where they can be themselves in a warm and caring environment. Designed primarily for the age group 12-18, the center hopes to change teens' lives. This will be accomplished by offering after school tutoring, fun activities, mentoring, games, computers and a weekly Bible study. All area youth (regardless of denomination or beliefs) will be welcomed.

PROS LUNCH

Just a reminder that PROS (Parents Reaching Out at Salamonie School) is hosting a Sunday Lunch at the Knight Bergman Center in Warren on Sunday, January 29th from 11AM-1PM. The menu, which is prepared by Salamonie parents and staff, includes ham, beef & noodles, chicken & noodles, lasagna, meatballs, hot dogs, mashed potatoes, rolls, corn, green beans, applesauce, assorted salads and desserts. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for kids age 6-12 and children 5 & under are

FREE! In the past funds generated from this lunch have been used for recess equipment, scholarships and improvements to the Salamonie School woods. We hope you will be able to come enjoy lunch with us this Sunday!

POOL & FITNESS

If you are looking for a place to remain active during the winter months, Heritage Pointe's pool and fitness center may be the place for you.

The fitness center has an elliptical trainer, treadmills, weight machines, recumbent bikes, balance balls, and exercise videos. The pool and fitness center staff also offers chair exercises Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.

Anyone is welcome to attend a Muscular Strength and Range of Motion class, which meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The Muscular Strength and Range of Motion program allows you to either sit or stand, while achieving a great workout in a group setting. This class uses weights, chairs, stretch cords, and balls. The wide variety of exercise equipment and group activities can help just about anyone achieve a healthier lifestyle.

The fitness center also has two televisions, which allow you to watch your favorite shows while you exercise.

Along with a complete fitness room, Heritage Pointe also has a warm water rehab pool constantly set at a comfortable 90°F. The pool is easily accessible through wide stairs, railings, and a ramp. Railings inside the pool give those with poor balance added comfort and security. For those looking to lap swim the pool has two lanes available for swimming. The deepest part of the pool is 5 feet, which makes those unable to swim more comfortable when completing aquatic therapy or exercising. If you are not interested in aquatic exercises, and would like a relaxing massage after exercising in the fitness room, the pool has whirlpool jets at the far end. The friendly and knowledgeable pool staff can assist nearly anyone in finding an aquatic exercise routine. A water exercise class is offered on Monday and Wednesday from 2:30 to 3:30. As you will see in your first visit to the pool, the environment is not one where kids are splashing and playing with pool toys, it is one where individuals are achieving a healthier lifestyle through various aquatic exercises.

The pool and fitness center is open to the community with affordable daily and monthly rates. The daily rate for adults is \$4.00, and monthly rate is \$30.00. If you would like to bring your spouse it will only cost and additional \$20.00. Children are also welcome with daily rates at only \$3.00

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JANUARY IS GLAUCOMA AWARENESS MONTH

What Is Glaucoma; and How Is It Treated?

By: Eric Purdy, M.D.

The leading cause of blindness in the United States is glaucoma. Unchecked, the condition and its side effects may result in lifestyle changes or even loss of independence for some people. However, early detection and appropriate treatment can help delay the advancement of symptoms. Most people who are diagnosed and treated early in the onset of this disease are able to slow its progression.

Glaucoma typically occurs when fluid builds up inside the eye, causing pressure on the optic nerve. Those who are at most risk of developing the condition are individuals with one or more of the following characteristics:

- are 60 or older;
- have a family history of glaucoma;
- are of African or Spanish descent;
- have farsightedness or nearsightedness;
- have previous eye injuries; or
- experience health problems such as diabetes or migraines.

There is no cure for glaucoma, which is why an early diagnosis is important. Once the disease is known, surgery, medication, a combination of treatments and physician monitoring can help control additional vision loss.

So what happens after a glaucoma diagnosis? A doctor may decide to perform surgery to release excess pressure on the eye. Depending on the severity of the disease, a physician will perform laser surgery or make a small slit in the eye, called filtering microsurgery. This procedure will relieve pressure on the optic nerve. In the early stages after diagnosis, some patients require monthly or even weekly visits to the doctor to check eye pressure. If caught early enough, a doctor may prescribe medication or eye drops to prevent further loss of vision. Medications are monitored over time, as some patients develop side effects or decreased response to medications.

While glaucoma is not a life-threatening disease, it can significantly impact a person's day-to-day activities. If you or a family member is experiencing vision loss, please consult your physician. With early diagnosis and treatment, glaucoma should not stop people from enjoying life.

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THANK YOU CITIZEN'S TELEPHONE

As long time residents of Warren we want to extend our gratitude and appreciation to our hometown telephone company.

We are proud to have you as our communications source. Your efforts to provide quality with low cost is rare! The local, Indianapolis and Chicago news channels are especially welcome.

Our home connection was damaged last fall due to electrical storms. The "telephone guys", as they are affectionately called, arrived within minutes after being called. We probably thank their work for granted. Many of our friends and family in other cities and towns only wish for such promptness.

Their comments range from, "Wow, you are so lucky!" to "Gee I wonder if I could get Warren Cable in my town?"

Again, thanks to everyone at Citizens Telephone for the many years of reliability. The people of our town have been fortunate to have a company that services a multitude of our needs.

Former Switchboard Operator:
 Pam Martin and Bill Martin
 "464-R"

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A big thank you to Rose Broyles who let us know that Love In the Name of Christ in Huntington had some display units they no longer needed.

Rose set up the delivery with Marvin Zeller and his grandsons Austin and Kyle Laux and called Steve Holmes for extra help at the Bargain Basement.

Wendall Summers our regular go to guy, when we need help with fixing anything was called. He came in for a few hours and made sure the units were more sturdy and secure.

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

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 8294S 900W 35
 Brad Kelly, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
 Thurs. Kings Kids 6:30 p.m.
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 CWF Ladies (3 Tue) 6:00 p.m.

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 Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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 Pastor - Heath Jones
 Youth Leaders - Kelly Jones

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
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 Dick Case, Pastor

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 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 2nd Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

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

1st Worship 9:00 a.m.
 2nd Worship 10:30 a.m.

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 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

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 Wed. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

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 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday:
 CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 9:55 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**LIBERTY CENTER
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Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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Coffee Fellowship 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed 7:00 p.m.

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 Rev. Sam Padgett - Pastor

Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:00 a.m.
 Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Youth 6-7:30 p.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN
 Pastor Brian Holland

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Mid-Week (Thurs) 6:30 p.m.

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 Worship 10:30 a.m.

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 Church School 10:45 a.m.

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 Pastor Scott Nedberg

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 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m.
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 Youth Meetings - Wed 7:00 p.m.
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
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 Evening Praise Hour 6:00 p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00 p.m.

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 Pastor Blake J. Neff

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Jr/Sr High FLOCK (Sun) 6:00 p.m.
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 Asst Pastor for Youth Greg Casserino
 Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes 9:30 am
 Youth Group 6:00 pm
 Sunday Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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or \$20.00 monthly with a paying adult. Children 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Your monthly rates may also be free if you are eligible for the Silver Sneakers® fitness program. Stop in or check with your supplemental insurance program to see if you are eligible.

Be sure to visit silversneakers.com or contact Stacia Perry at 260-375-2201 ext. 290 for more details, or to answer any questions.

ROADRUNNER TRIP

On Feb. 8th the Warren RoadRunners are traveling to the West End Restaurant & Manley Meats. Try the Wednesday lunch special at the West End Restaurant: pan fried chicken with homemade mashed potatoes or any of the other great foods on the menu such as a fish sandwich and hand breaded onion rings. Consider bringing an insulated grocery bag or cooler to bring home some goodies from the large selection of fresh cut and deli meats, cheeses and salad at Manley Meats.

Leave 10:15 a.m. Call by February 6th to reserve a seat.

All trips leave from the Warren Church of Christ parking lot at 302 N. Wayne St., Warren, IN

Contact Colleen Franklin at (260) 414-0223 for details



Margaret and Elisha Christman were married in 1837. A few days after the wedding the twenty-two year old Elisha and his eighteen year old bride started from Preble County Ohio to a wilderness farm in Salamonie Township. A farm he acquired by trading land in Ohio for. The honeymoon trip consisted of a lonely journey through the woods and swamps of east central Indiana to the cabin on the Salamonie River.

When Margaret and Elisha arrived at their cabin, there were numerous small bands of Indians that were found in their small camps along the many streams that flowed through Huntington and the many surrounding counties. They were chronic beggars and frequently entered the cabins of the settlers to ask for food. One such band was encamped near the bend in the river where the Belleville Mill once stood, only a couple of miles from the Christman's cabin.

On one occasion, it was necessary for Elisha to be away from home over night. Margaret did not relish the idea of being alone so far from neighbors, her nearest being one mile away. But the ordeal was part of her daily life and she would make the best of it.

Soon after nightfall she was startled to see dark figures moving among the trees. She was sure they were Indians and didn't know what their mission might be. In the dim

light of the next day she saw the figures enter the deeper part of the woods and disappear, without any of them coming near the cabin. All the next day a feeling of fear entered her mind and in the late afternoon her husband returned home to find a very badly frightened woman.

A few days later he met some of the Indians at the camp down the river and demanded to know what they had meant by their queer conduct. "Oh," said one of them, "We know you gone and we think squaw be afraid to stay by herself, so we guard cabin to see nothing scare her."

The plan was conceived with the best of intentions and as an act of goodwill, but in carrying it out they had caused the very thing which they had tried to prevent.

VISITED ARLINGTON

Your Pharmacist, Terry Daniels and Melinda Daniels, R.N. attended the funeral of Joan Munch. She was the Aunt of Terry, and was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

SIGMA PHI

Members of Beta Delta Chapter held their January Party at the Knight Bergman Center on Tues January 17th at 7:00 Pm.

The committee consisted of Sandy Booher and Carol Irick. The game of Kings on the Corner was played with Jenny Plummer, low and Opal

Brubaker high. The door prize going to Beth Ostermeyer.

Delicious refreshments were served to Sandy Eichhorn, Opal Brubaker, Suzette Gephart, Susan Ralston, Claudia Boxell, Rosemary Zeller, Jenny Plummer, Beth Ostermeyer, Kathy Ralston, and the committee.

EAGLE WATCH

Enjoy the majesty of bald eagles in Indiana with the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services' annual Eagle Watch field trips on Feb. 18 and 19.

Participants will meet at the interpretive center at 3 p.m. and caravan to several locations on the way to the roost.

The field trip sessions begin with a talk about bald eagles at the interpretive center. Then participants will travel to popular eagle spots, ending up at a nearby roost site to watch the bald eagles fly in for the night. These spots have had many eagles in the past.

Be sure to dress for the weather, bring binoculars, any snacks or drinks desired, and a full tank of gas.

Registration is required. There will be van seats available for a limited number of people. The number of cars to be included in the caravan also will be limited.

Register by calling the UWIS at (260) 468-2127 or visiting the Salamonie Interpretive Center in the Lost Bridge West Recreation Area, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews, IN

46702.

Visit the UWIS website at www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis for more information.

ANNUAL MEETING

Huntington County Extension Annual Meeting, Monday, February 6, 2012

Heritage Hall, Hier's Park

7:00 pm - Annual Business meeting- Friends of Extension; Extension board member election; Program - Hungry Planet- interactive program; Desserts will be served

Donations of nonperishable food items and monetary contributions will be accepted to benefit Love INC.

This annual meeting is open to all Huntington County citizens and will highlight accomplishments of Extension educational programs in Huntington County.

Reservations are necessary for this program by Wednesday, February 1.

Contact the Extension office: Email: cholmes@purdue.edu Phone: 260-358-4826.

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FLOOD MAPS

Preliminary flood hazard maps for Huntington County have been released by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), according to the DNR and county officials.

When final, the maps will show flood risk throughout the county and determine whether property owners, with a federal or federally insured loan, are required to carry flood insurance.

The first new such documents for the county in 28 years came as the result of FEMA, DNR, and the county completing an extensive multi-year study of the area's floodplains using state-of-the-art technologies and risk-modeling techniques.

These flood insurance rate maps (FIRMs) identify property as having high, moderate or low flood risk. In addition to affecting property owners, FIRMs allow community planners, engineers, permit officials,

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Community Calendar

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

Jan 29	11a-1pm	PROS Luncheon at Knight Bergman Center
Feb 1	Noon	Warren Chamber of Commerce, Assembly Hall
Feb 1	7:00 p.m.	Van Buren Town Council
Feb 2		Groundhog Day
Feb 13	6:30 p.m.	Warren Town Council, Assembly Hall
Feb 13	6:30 p.m.	Salamonie Summer Festival Meeting, Sportsman's Club
Feb 14		Valentine's Day

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus



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builders, and others to determine if, where and how new structures and developments should be built.

The preliminary maps may be viewed at: <http://www.floodmaps.IN.gov/> (you may experience a long download time).

An open house will be held in Huntington, on Jan. 31, from 4 to 7 p.m., in the Huntington County Courthouse, in the G.A.R. Room on the second floor, 201 N. Jefferson St., for those who would like to learn more about how this new mapping may affect them. Stations will be set up for property owners to review the maps and discuss any concerns with engineers who are knowledgeable with the map development process. There will be no formal presentation at the open house.

Additional stations will be available during this time for property owners to obtain information and discuss any concerns regarding flood insurance or related issues with knowledgeable staff from DNR.

A 90-day public comment period will start at a date to be announced by FEMA after the public meeting. During that period, property owners can submit appeals and protests. Once the feedback is received and addressed, the maps are expected to be adopted in 2013, when the new insurance requirements will take effect.

The Huntington County project is part of FEMA's larger

effort to modernize the nation's aging flood maps to reflect the most current flood risks and areas of recent growth.

WOULD YOU HAVE MORE HAPPINESS?

by V Neil Wyrick
Satchel Paige once said, "How old would you be if you didn't know old you are?" In short, age and senility are not necessarily bosom buddies. People are living longer, a healthier and happier all the time. How and why?

Well, first and foremost one automatically feels better if they have retired to something rather than just from something. One friend of mine has said more than once, "I seek things that interest me. They aren't going to come knocking at my door."

Forty years ago was it impractical to become an artist? Now you have the time so chase down an art store and maybe also an art class and go for it.

- Join an amateur drama group, if this was once your dream. On stage or backstage.
- Join the Peace Corp. (Why not?)
- Join a bowling league.
- Serve lunch to the homeless.

Growing older doesn't mean being inactive, just active in different ways.

"I've planned a Beautify My Life campaign," exclaimed one bright-eyed seventy year old. "I plan to keep on working, just not as much." "I plan to trade in a large home for a larger income." The magic word is DO!

I recently got into a conversation with a man and his wife at an airport and he told me, "California redwoods are old. Mountains are old. Me? I'm just a kid." His wife

added, "I'm getting old (she was 78) but I'll probably die before I make it."

Think spring not fall. Grow some new leaves. Approach life with the kind of optimism that allowed an old farmer to answer when asked what he was building, replied, "If I can rent it, it's a rustic cottage. If I can't, it's a cow shed."

A sense of humor is worth a dozen unfilled prescriptions. We don't so much stop laughing because we are old. We grow old because we stop laughing.

"Earth's crammed with heaven," said Thoreau. Prove him right by appreciating a bright moonscape in an otherwise darkened sky. Go to where some wild flowers have taken possession of a hillside meadow and don't just seek them, smell them. Help a grandchild to giggle and then giggle along with your grandchild.

Crank up your neurological movie house on a regular basis and watch mental movies of good times in your past. Remember the kitten, now grown to be a cat, arriving at your backdoor. Think back on that spot thirty feet up in the crook of a tree. Shine up your today's by giving a personal Oscar to the best of your yesterdays.

If you got lost in the middle of a desert and could not find the ocean would you fall to your knees in despair or shout to the heavens, "Wow, what a beach!" The best way to not grow prematurely old is to stop thinking about it. Attitude is everything.

Get a gratitude attitude. Makes thanksgiving more than a day. Make it a way of life. Set goals? Rather have a mission. Otherwise you may become like the Japanese Kamakazi pilot in World War II who flew 173 missions.

Put a little zing into your

morning because you met it with anticipation. Find something to look forward to: a garden to cultivate, a book to read, music to listen to, a golf or tennis game to attend...something that will impassion you.

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The good life is not an automatic anymore than a bad life is an automatic. It just depends on which birds that fly over your head you let make a nest in your hair.

DO YOU HATE YOUR MORNINGS?

by the FlyLady
Marla Cilley

Do you hate your mornings? Do you wake up in a bad mood? Do you feel like you got up on the wrong side of the bed? Your mornings do not have to be like this. All it takes is a little thought to change the CHAOS you have been living in.

That little thought is as simple as knowing what clothes you are wearing when you get up. If you will think about your morning before you actually have to face it; your mornings will run smoother. It all starts with a little before bed routine.

Half the battle with your morning has to do with you not being prepared to start your day. You run around in a tizzy trying to do all those last minute things you procrastinated about the night before. Here is what happens when we put something off. Let's start with our before bed

routines.

1. We go to bed at 1:00 or 2:00 am and have to get up at 7:00 am. We procrastinated by not going to bed at a decent hour. Then we can't get up on time.

2. After you hit the snooze button a few times and it is 7:30 am and to get to work on time we have to leave at 7:45 am. Now you have 15 minutes to get dressed and out the door and you have no clean clothes.

3. Not only did you go to bed late, but you did not lay out your clothes for tomorrow. So there again you have procrastinated and you are rushing around.

4. Now you are feeling the time crunch and the pressure of being late to work or an appointment again. Then the guilt starts to pile on.

5. With the guilt comes blaming others and not looking at what our role was in our perpetual tardiness. Then we have martyrdom and the loud yelling voices that just add to the stress along with the guilt.

6. Now we are half dressed, jumping in a car trying to put on makeup while driving and not paying attention to what we are doing. Not to mention that you have skipped breakfast and there is not even time for a quick drive through the golden arches. Well that could be the only positive thing about rushing; not time for negative nutrition with fast food.

7. Next thing we know the blue lights are flashing in our rearview mirror and we have yet another speeding ticket to have to explain and pay for.

8. That is, if we are lucky and we haven't had a car accident with our babies in the car.

9. More money wasted all because we procrastinated and didn't go to bed at a decent hour to get up and start our

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DETAMORE

George E. Detamore Sr. Thurs. Feb. 25, 1924 – Wed. January 18, 2012



Mr. George E. Detamore Sr. of rural Warren, IN. went to be with his Lord, Wednesday January 18, 2012 at his residence with his family at his side. He was born February 25, 1924 in Warren son of Milford Detamore and Hazel (James) Detamore. He had lived on the same farm for all of his 87 years.

George graduated from Jefferson Township High School, Huntington, Co. Class of 1942. On June 15, 1944 he married Sharon L. (Moore) Detamore. They celebrated 67 years together. She survives in rural Warren, IN. Mr. Detamore was a member of the Mt. Etna Wesleyan Church, where he was involved in all of the offices and activities of the church. George also loved to travel. He was retired from the V.A. Medical Center in Marion, IN. In his High School days he was very active in the Jefferson High School Band, receiving state honors as drum major and played the trumpet.

Surviving are his wife: Sharon L. (Moore) Detamore of rural Warren, IN. Two sons: William R. (Bill) (Becky) Detamore of Box Elder, S.D. and George (Diana) Detamore Jr. of Van Buren, IN. One Daughter: Ms. Patsy (Jack Brush) Detamore MD of Warrcn, IN. Six (6) Grandchildren: Kurt (Stephanie) Detamore, Karen (Todd) Hinshaw, Ben Detamore, Sharon S. Detamore, Samuel Detamore, and Rachel Detamore. Four (4) Great-Grandchildren: Victoria Hinshaw, Vivian Hinshaw, Grant Detamore and Luke Detamore. One Brother: Jack Detamore of Huntington, IN. He was preceded in death by his Mother and Father, Grandmother- Iva M. Detamore and Grandfather- LeRoy Detamore.

Funeral Services were held Saturday, January 21, 2012 at the Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Warren, IN. with the Rev John Porterfield officiating. Burial followed in

the Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Marion, IN.

LENNON

N. Rosaleen "Toots" Lennon, 90, of Warren, IN, died Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012,



at 8 a.m. at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Mrs. Lennon graduated from Hartford City High School in 1939. She had been employed as an office worker in Hartford City and in Boston, MA, before moving to Warren in 1946. She was employed by First National Bank in Huntington for 21 years, serving as head teller at the downtown drive-in branch before retiring in 1985. She moved to the United Methodist Memorial Home, now known as Heritage Pointe, in 1993. She formerly attended the Salamonie Church of the Brethren.

She was born Dec. 13, 1921, in Hartford City to Samuel P. and Ersie D. Boyles Cooper. She married Robert E. Lennon on Jan. 5, 1942, in Marion. Her husband preceded her in death on Sept. 11, 1987.

Survivors include three daughters, Sylvia Andrews, of Port St. Lucie, FL, and Cynthia Lennon and Sarah Lennon, both of Huntington; a brother, Gary Cooper, of Trempealeau, WI; two grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

A private graveside service was held Friday, Jan. 20, 2012, at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Huntington County, with Rev. Kathy Newton officiating.

Preferred memorials are gifts to the Alzheimer's Association, 227 E. Washington Blvd., Suite 301, Fort Wayne, IN 46897; or to the American Diabetes Association, 6415 Castleway West Drive, Suite 114, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

Glancy-H. Brown and Son Funeral Home, Warren, was in charge of arrangements.

STOUT

Ralph E. Stout, age 89, of Huntington, died at 4:45 p.m. Thursday (January 19, 2012) at his daughter's home in Highpoint, North Carolina.

Ralph was born November 8, 1922, in Van Buren, to Alford E. and Mabel (James) Stout. He graduated from Van Buren High School in 1940 and attended Indiana Business College. Ralph served with the United States Army Air Corp during WW II as a Staff Sergeant. He married Imogene M. Bradford on December 17, 1949 at Landess Christian Church, Grant County.

Ralph retired from Dana Corporation in Marion after 35 years of service. He also farmed in Dallas Township in Huntington County. Ralph was a member of the Van Buren Central Christian Church and the United Steel Workers Union Retiree Local #1131 in Marion.

Survivors include two sons – Gary C. (Cindy) Stout of Huntington and Bradley J. Stout of Huntington; four daughters – Dinah (Ray) Kimery of Fortville, North Carolina, Sheila Koontz of High Point, North Carolina, Melba Stout of Huntington and Jeana (Michael) Mundy of Andrews; one brother – James Ray Stout of Van Buren; one sister – Louise Martin of Ranbourne, Alabama; sixteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. His parents, wife and son, Stanley Stout, preceded him in death.

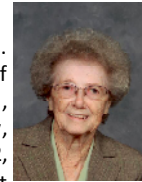
Funeral services were held Tuesday (January 24, 2012) at

Bailey-Love Mortuary with Rev. Dr. Ray Seilhamer officiating. Burial was at Andrews Riverside Cemetery with the V.F.W. Post #2689 performing military graveside rites.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wabash County Humane Shelter or Cancer Services for Huntington County in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

JAMISON

Helen R. Jamison, 78, of Warren, IN, died Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012, at 3:05 a.m. at Heritage Pointe, in Warren.



Mrs. Jamison had been employed by E-Systems in Huntington and at the United Methodist Memorial Home (now Heritage Pointe) in Warren. She attended the Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene, Warren.

She was born Feb. 10, 1933, in Howard County, AR, to Rufus and Mary Opal Pate Flenor. She married James Leonard Jamison on Feb. 15, 1957, in Huntington County. Her husband survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, Michael D. (Amy) Jamison, of Phoenix, AZ, and Barry W. Jamison, of Warren; two stepsons, Gary L. (Rochelle) Jamison and Jimmy A. Jamison, both of Bluffton; a stepdaughter, Diane (Rick) Reynolds, of Warren; two sisters, Syble (Raymond) Faulkner, of Umpire, AR, and

Jhonia Fay (Johnny) Kirkpatrick, of Athens, AR; three brothers, R.C. Flenor, of Dierks, AR; Jay (Louise) Flenor, of Van Buren, AR; and Terry (Vicky) Flenor, of BeBe, AR; and two grandchildren, Emilie Ann Jamison and Kristie Marie Jamison, both of Huntington.

Calling is Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2012, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Thursday, Jan. 26, 2012, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home 203 N. Matilda St., Warren. A service will be held on Friday Jan. 27, 2012, at 11 a.m., with calling one hour prior to the service, at the Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene, Warren. Rev. Mark Davis will officiate. Interment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery, Warren.

THOMAS

James Lane Thomas, 76, of Warren, died Jan. 15, 2012, at Heritage Pointe.

Mr. Thomas was born in McCook, Neb., on Feb. 9, 1935, to James William and Jessie (Lane) Thomas. He married Della May Jenks; she survives.

Other surviving relatives include two daughters, Gwen (John) Mays of Raleigh, N.C., and Lane (Allen) Bahney of Gilead; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mr. Thomas was cremated, with interment to take place at a later date.

The Ferguson and Glancy Funeral Home in Van Buren is in charge of arrangements.

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day on the right foot instead of behind the eight ball.

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If I can ever get you to make peace with your mornings by establishing a few simple habits in your life; you will never go back to living this way. The calmness of the mornings will start you out on a firm and steady pace for your whole day.

Before you go to bed:

1. Gather up the items you will need for tomorrow and put them by your front door.
2. Check your calendar for tomorrow's appointments
3. Lay out your clothes for tomorrow
4. Brush and floss your teeth and wash your face.
5. Go to bed at a decent hour, this way you will feel like getting up!

When you get up in the morning:

1. Get dressed as soon as your feet hit the floor
2. Swish and Swipe the bathroom while you are getting dressed.
3. Eat breakfast, drink water and take your supplements and medications
4. Gather up the items to take with you.
5. Do not wait till the last moment to leave your home. It is OK to be early.

These simple habits will change your life. The main thing you have to do is go to bed at a decent hour so you will have the energy to get started on your day. You can do this.

Are you ready to FLY though your day with a simple Before Bed Routine and Morning routine starting you off on a

calm note?

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ORGANIC GARDENING

Folks who are passionate about gardening are looking through seed catalogs and making decisions about spring planting. The pictures of a bountiful harvest in these publications provide assurance that spring will be coming in the not too distant future.

One question that seems popular among people interested in gardening is how to raise vegetables and fruits organically. There is a genuine concern that long term use of commercially produced pesticides (fungicides, herbicides, insecticides etc.) may harm the environment.

The National Gardening Association (NGA) Web site says that a survey that they conducted shows an increasing number of households in the U.S. that are following organic gardening practices (<http://www.gardenresearch.com/>). Per the NGA, the number of U.S. households that use only all-natural fertilizer, insect, and weed controls increased from an estimated 5 million households in 2004 to 12 million in 2008.

Some aren't sure exactly what it means to be an organic gardener. Rosie Lerner, Purdue Extension Consumer Horticulture Specialist, provided this explanation of gardening organically for an educational session: "Meaning varies, but typically aims to foster a healthy environment for garden plants with appropriate cultural practices and 'environmentally friendly' intervention when necessary."

Lerner mentioned that that one of the main reasons to grow organic is to limit the

risks associated with exposure to pesticides. This risk potential involves humans, pets, and wildlife. Organic principles also involve building the soil by increasing organic matter. Cover crops, leaves, crop residue, manure and compost are all possible sources of organic matter.

However, as Lerner points out, it can be difficult to separate "fact" from "myth" when you hear organic gardening ideas. Some testimonials don't add up when put into practice. Plant disease and pest management can be a challenge in an organic garden.

Products such as bio-fungicides, botanical insecticides, horticultural oils and insecticidal soaps can still damage plants and can potentially cause harm to humans, animals and beneficial insects. It is still very important to read and follow label directions when using these products. One example is an insecticide made of needle-like particles milled from the shells of fossilized sea plants called diatoms. This product is effective in abrading an insect's body causing it to lose fluid and literally dry out. However, it also may kill predators of pests as well as honeybees.

If you have an interest in organic gardening, it is important to review information from reputable sources. Rosie Lerner has compiled a list of university and commercial grower

websites as well as books involving organic agriculture. To obtain a copy of this information, call the Huntington County Extension Office.

For more information, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension—Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson—Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

ASK SHIP

Q: I enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan during this last Open Enrollment. This is the first time I've enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan, and I'm not sure I like it. Do I have to wait until next year to get a different plan or can I cancel this one?

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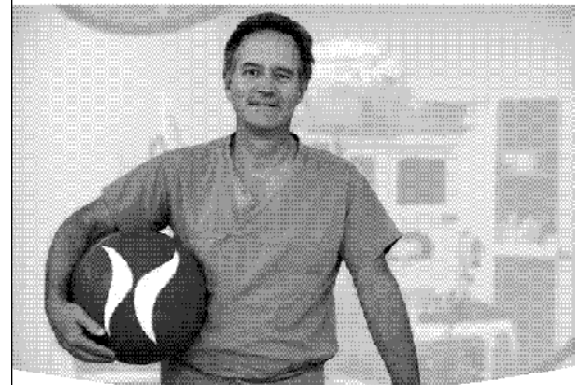
Medicare Advantage plan and change to Original Medicare with or without selecting a new stand-alone drug plan. This is called the Annual Medicare Advantage Disenrollment Period (MADP).

You can't make any changes to your coverage during this period if you have Original Medicare. You can't switch from one Medicare Advantage plan to another. Until February 14th, you can cancel your Medicare Advantage plan and return to Original Medicare.

There are specific periods of time when a Medicare beneficiary is allowed to sign up for a Medicare Advantage Plan. As you probably already know, you can enroll in a Medicare Advantage (MA) and/or Part D plan during the

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If you already had Medicare with a Medicare supplement insurance policy and this is your first time ever enrolling in a Medicare Advantage Plan, you also have a 12-month trial period. This means that you can return to Original Medicare, and the same policy with the same company within the first 12 months of coverage by the Medicare Advantage plan.

Other than these Special Enrollment Periods (SEPs), there are a few other opportunities to enroll in a Medicare Advantage Plan. You can only change how you get your health coverage and enroll in, change or drop Part D drug coverage if you qualify for a SEP.

During the Annual Open Enrollment, October 15 through December 7, you can change how you get your Medicare health coverage and enroll in, change or drop Medicare drug coverage.

Your particular situation qualifies you for a SEP because this was likely your FIRST Medicare Advantage Plan and because you are within one year of having enrolled.

This trial period lasts for 12 months after you enroll in a Medicare private health plan for the first time. There are other scenarios that qualify beneficiaries for a Special Enrollment Period in addition to this one. To find out more about SEPs refer to your Medicare & You handbook. Or find it online at www.medicare.gov.

If you need help with these or any other Medicare related questions, please call SHIP at 1-800-452-4800.

CHANGES IMPACTING YOUR

TAXES AND THIS YEAR'S REFUND FROM UNCLE SAM

(ARA) - In the way of tax legislation, 2011 was a relatively quiet year. However, that doesn't mean there aren't tax law changes that will affect this year's tax returns.

"The changes enacted at the end of 2010 will still impact this year's and next year's federal tax returns," says TaxACT spokesperson, Jessi Dolmage.

To help you maximize your refund, here are some tax law changes you should know about before filing this year's return.

* Your federal return must be filed by Tuesday, April 17, 2012. April 15 is a Sunday and Washington, D.C., is recognizing Emancipation Day April 16. Don't use the extended deadline as an excuse to procrastinate, though.

* Amounts for standard mileage, standard deductions, personal exemptions and the Alternative Minimum Tax have increased. Note there are different standard mileage rates for miles driven before July 1 and after June 30. Details about all increases are in IRS Publication 17 at www.irs.gov.

* Amounts for standard mileage, standard deductions, personal exemptions and the Alternative Minimum Tax have increased.

"Trusted solutions like TaxACT navigate all the tax law changes for you to help maximize your refund, file a return that's 100 percent accurate and provide help when you need it," says Dolmage.

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WILSON

Mrs. Wilma G. Wilson, 87, of Heritage Pointe, in Warren IN died Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012, at Bluffton Regional Hospital in Bluffton.

Mrs. Wilson graduated from Van Buren High School in 1942. She was a member of the Van Buren Central Christian Church, the Van Buren Lioness Club, Van Buren American Legion Auxiliary 368, the Tea Timers Home Ec. Club, CWF, the Theta Club and was a past matron of the Van Buren Order of Eastern Star.

She was retired from the Eastbrook School Corp after 23 years in food service.

She was born May 31, 1924, to Walter and Fern Pugh Banter in Grant County. She married Kenneth D. Wilson in 1945. He preceded her in death in 2003.

Surviving are a son, Jerry (Peggy) Wilson, of LaFontaine; three daughters, Peggy Ann Wood, of Kokomo; Marla J. (Kyle) Goff, of Marion; and Judy K. (Phil) Millage, of Fishers; a brother, John "Bob" (Lola) Banter, of Warren; a sister, Margaret Ann Wilshire, of Warren; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Jan. 23, 2012, at the Van Buren Central Christian Church, Van Buren, with Rev. Heath Jones officiating. Burial followed in the Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Marion.

Memorials are to the Van Buren Central Christian Church or the Heritage Pointe Nurses Scholarship Fund at Heritage Pointe.



MERCER

Troy William Mercer, 67, of Bluffton, died Friday, Jan. 20, 2012, in Bluffton.

Mr. Mercer was born in Willard, Ohio, on Sept. 4, 1944, to Andrew J. and Ethel M. (Rowe) Mercer. He married Charlene L. Jennings in Ashland, Ky., on May 28, 1968; she survives.

Other surviving relatives include three sons, Dan (Edwina) Ocasio of Montpelier, Wayne Ocasio of Detroit, Mich., and Jesse Ocasio of Bluffton; two daughters, Mae (Elza) West of Markle and Becky (Miles) Fleming of Bluffton; two brothers, Luke (Lisa) Mercer of Bluffton and Lonnie (Gloria) Mercer of Hepburn, Ohio; 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Mercer was preceded in death by two brothers, Ronnie Mercer and Ollie Puckett; and one sister, Brenda Williams.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 24, at the Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton. Burial will be at a later date.

THANK YOU

We wish to acknowledge an appreciation to everyone who comforted our family in the many ways you gave in Bill's memory.

To the Solid Rock church for the delicious funeral dinner for the family. We thank you.

May God Bless all of you richly.

The Family of Bill Winters

THANK YOU

The family of Gary L King was truly overwhelmed with gratitude for the many expressions of sympathy from our friends and extended family. We especially want to thank the staff at Heritage Pointe for the excellent care they provided. Jeff Glancy and his staff for their kindness and courtesy to our family, Pastors Ron Ramsey and Paul Hirschy for their comforting words at the service and the Women of Dillman Church for the delicious dinner after the funeral service.

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