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Thought for the Week: I am patient with stupidity but not with those who are proud of it. Edith Sitwell

SANTA ARRIVES

To continue the tradition of Santa coming to town, Santa will arrive at 2nd and Wayne St on November the 28th at 6:00PM to meet and greet the children. He will then light the town tree. Santa will walk to the Knight Bergman Center, and than go inside to meet with the children and hear their wish list. Santa will return on Saturday November the 29th at the Knight Bergman Center, from 9AM to 11AM. BRING YOUR CAMERA'S. Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving! Santa.

COOKIE/CANDY SALE

The Huntington County Extension Homemakers are sponsoring their Annual "Holiday Cookies and Candy Sale" on Friday, Dec 5th at the Senior Center located on the 1st floor of the Courthouse Annex, 354 N Jefferson St. The sale begins at 9:30AM and goes till 12:30PM (no early sales please).

This year we will have our popular "Tray of Cookies" available again. Only by pre-ordering, you will be able to purchase a "Tray of Cookies". These will include an assortment of 3 doz cookies for \$12. These must be pre-ordered by Nov 22. Orders can be made by calling Earlynn Worster @ 260.359.6282 or Peg Stahl @ 260.356.3389. The trays will be available for pick-up at the Senior Center, Friday the 5th till 4:30PM. Our regular sale will work the same as years past. When you arrive, you are given a Styrofoam container and allowed to choose the cookies you wish to purchase. It will work the same for buying the candy. Prices this year will be: Cookies/\$3.50 per dozen or 3 dozen for \$10 and

Candy/\$4 per ½ lb. Profits go back into our community to multiple worthy causes.

Extension Homemakers is a nonprofit group whose purpose is to reach out to all segments of society in an effort to nurture families and homes across the state with compassion and without prejudice. We teach basic life skills and develop partnerships with other groups and organizations

FREE LUNCH & LEARN

Nannie Alldredge, Central and Northeast Indiana Area Manager State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) will be speaking about your Medicare/ Managed Care Options.

When: November 19, 2014, 11:30am-12:30pm Where: Heritage Pointe Fults Recreation Room, 801 Huntington Ave.

Come and join us for a FREE lunch and obtain helpful information regarding your Medicare/Managed Care options Questions: Please contact Brenda Johns, Healthcare Administrator 260-375-2201 ext. 253, or Donita Bauman, Marketing/Admissions 260-409-5410 (cell). RSVP by calling Christie Strait, receptionist @ 260-375-2201, ext. 0.

Limited seating to the first 100 guest.

Showing 15th

We will be showing "Best Christmas Pageant Ever" on November 15th at 6:30 at the Van Buren United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Free Popcorn and drinks provided. All are welcome

JR LEADER MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet Thursday, November 13, 7:00-8:00 pm at the Family Living Building, Hier's Park, Huntington. The group will receive committee assignments, continue working on 2014-2015 events & Community Service activities, and participate in activities led by the recreational officers

The county 4-H Junior Leader organization is open to all youth in who are in the 7th-12th grades during the 2014-2015 school year. This organization provides an opportunity for 4-H members to learn more about the county 4-H Program and become involved in various community service activities and leadership opportunities.

4-H enrollment is now open until January 15, 2015. Online enrollment is available at: in.4honline.com

For more information about Junior Leaders, please contact Purdue Extension – Huntington County office located at 354 N Jefferson Street – Suite 202, Courthouse Annex, Huntington or calling 260-358-4826 or email jwickert@purdue.edu.

FAIR BOARD MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Association will meet Tuesday, November 18, 7:00 pm at Heritage Hall, Hier's Park, Huntington. The board will approve committee assignments and continue planning efforts towards the 85th annual Huntington County 4-H Fair to be held July 17-31, 2015.

For more information, contact Purdue Extension – Huntington County office, located at 354 N Jefferson Street – Suite 202, Courthouse Annex, Huntington or calling 260-358-4826 or email jwickert@purdue.edu.

FLU CLINIC

On Thursday, November 20th from 5-6:30 pm, Solid Rock United Methodist Church at 485 Bennett Drive in Warren will be hosting a free flu shot clinic sponsored by Walgreens in Huntington. Free immunizations are available for ages 11+. Forms will be in the church office (9 am - 12 noon) Mon. - Fri. that can be

filled out in advance or at the clinic that day. Anyone interested can contact the church office (260-375-3873) or if you need more information contact Jeremy Penrod at Walgreens (260-358-0014).

BERGHOFF TREE

Dr. Berghoff's dental team will be entering a "canned food" tree in Warren's Festival of Trees scheduled for Friday, November

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HOLIDAY WALK & FESTIVAL OF TREE

On Friday, November 21st from 5-8 p.m. enjoy strolling around downtown Warren sampling holiday goodies, including hot drinks, all offered by area businesses and groups. Begin by picking up your map at the Town Annex Building, 131 N. Wayne and go from there. There will be a list of all activities and times as well as tree placement on the maps, and this year you can vote for your favorite tree at its location or at the Town Annex Building. Children's activities throughout the evening include cookie decorating at The Warren United Church of Christ, crafting a Christmas ornament and making reindeer food at PNC, a petting area with miniature animals and of course the ever-popular horse-drawn wagon ride. Remember to see the Llamas at the Library at 5:15, 6:15 and 7:15 p.m. with a very special story!!! There will be live music in the downtown area and a new event will be an old-fashioned community Christmas carol sing at The Warren United Church of Christ from 6-7p.m in their beautiful sanctuary, and you won't want to miss the pottery demonstration at Gebhart's Floral Barn. Perhaps you may want to top the evening off by staying for the opening night of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" at the Pulse Opera House. It will be a night to remember.



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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS



THE UPTOWN GARDENER by Ruth Herring

The nice days we had I thought I had better make good use of it. I got the bird feeders out that I put up for winter and washed them and filled them, it was only a few minutes that I saw about 15 finches crowding around it, I

have seen many different birds at the feeders and always enjoy watching them in the past.

Last spring I seen a pair of cedar wax wings in the tree and was really excited as I had never seen one before. I have kept track of the different varieties and so far my list is 14. When we lived in town hardly ever seen more than 4 or 5 different varieties of birds. Having grown up in the country it was always a favorite past time to go to the woods and search out the different birds. That was one thing my dad taught me was to learn and respect nature. He taught me so much about the trees, birds and even the fish we caught in Loon Creek that bordered our property. Now in my golden years I seem to forget a lot of it which I am not to happy about.

Soon the holidays are going to be upon us and all the hustle and bustle of being together with friends, families and those we just meet maybe on the street to wish them well. I have gotten lucky this year as the girls are sharing the holidays and I have a small part in preparing food. The holidays are still a bit sad with one of ours no longer with us and I think of those who have lost a loved one recently knowing it is a very difficult time for them.

My part of the Thanksgiving celebration this year is to choose the dinner and provide recipes for the food. (After preparing these meals for 50 plus years do I really need a recipe?) But that is my Gayle and a unique way of doing things differently, I'm sure we will have a great time.

I recently read a book by Debbie Macomber "Something about Christmas" where the girl was a reporter for a newspaper and was given the job of interviewing winners of a fruit cake contest. A cute book to read for the holiday. One of the recipes for the contest was the following. I might get brave and try it.

Sophie's Chocolate Fruitcake

Make 3-4 weeks in advance and store in refrigerator . In large bowl mix together 2 cups candied maraschino cherries, 2 cups chopped dates, 2 cups pineapple tidbits well drained, 1 cup coconut, 2 cups pecans, 2 cups walnuts, 2 12 ounce packages sweet chocolate chips. Beat the following ingredients on low 30 seconds then on high for 3 minutes - 3 cups flour, 1 1/2 cup sugar, 1 tablespoon baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 3/4 cup shortening, 3/4 cup butter, 2/3 cup creme de cacao, 1/2 cup cocoa and 9 eggs. Pour this batter over the fruit mix pour into 2 well greased loaf pans bake 275 for 2 1/2 hours, after 2 hours check every 15 minutes. When cool place on plastic wrap and seal well if desired pour a jigger of creme de cacao over before sealing and place in storage bag and keep in refrigerator for 3-4 weeks.

Be brave it might be good. At least the book was good.

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Wednesday Bible Study	6:00 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 p.m.
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8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779 Matt Kennedy, Pastor

 1st Worship Service
 8:15a.m.

 Sunday School
 9:30a.m.

 2nd Worship Service
 10:30a.m.

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Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.r.
OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
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Chapel Services 9:00 a.n.

THE NEW BEGINNING

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES 9019 S 300 W - Warren Indiana

Jim Graham, Pastor 260/494-6753 260/489-1456 260/375-4224 Sunday School9:30am

Morning Worship 10:30am

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Kathy Newton, Pastor Sunday School9:00 a.m. Worship Service10:00 a.m.

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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
 9:55a.m.

 Worship
 10:15a.m.

 Wed. Bible Study
 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor Chad Yoder Morning Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m.

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 Trad. Worship
 9:00 a.m.

 Fellowship
 10:00 a.m.

 Mdrn Worship
 10:30 a.m.

 Sunday Youth
 6-7:30 p.m.

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...6:30 p.m.

Youth Meetings-Wed

765/934-3321 Parsonage

Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m. Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

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 .9:30 a.m.

 Worship
 10:15 a.m.

 Wed Bible Study
 6:00 p.m.

 FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Richard Ladouceur 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN

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AREA NEWS

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21st from 5:00 to 8:00. The tree will be located in the window of D and D Bike Shop on the east side of Wayne Street and will be on display throughout the Christmas season. All food used in the making of the tree will be donated to The Bread of Life Food Pantry. Don't miss your opportunity to see this unique tree.

COUNCIL NOTES

On Wednesday evening, November 5, the Van Buren Town Council met. The meeting was held in the Council Room at Town Hall. At 7 p.m. president Marvin Surber called the meeting to order. All in attendance repeated the pledge to the American Flag. A representative from Area Plan was in attendance. A Flood Plan Ordinance was submitted. The Ordinance allows anyone living basically in the area of the wastewater plant to be able to carry flood insurance.

A gentleman in attendance at the meeting was concerned about water standing on his property. It is believed the water may coming from a farm field adjacent to his property. Council is to contact the farmer to check for broken tile.

A few citizens in attendance were urging Council to get something done about properties that are not up to town code. Council had sent letters to have the situation taken care of. It has been decided that if home owners do not comply they will be

listed.

Nov 27

Nov 17 6:30p

Nov 19 7:00p

Nov 21 5-8p

Nov 28 6pm

Dec 5 9:30a

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

W - Holiday Walk, downtown Warren
Thanksgiving - Warren Town Hall closed

W - Santa Claus Comes to Town at KBC

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

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

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

Cookie/Candy Sale, 9:30-12:30 at the Sr Center

Van Buren Town Council

in Huntington

W - KBC Board Meeting, at Knight Bergman Center

taken to court and possibly fined for not complying.

Officer Pat Collins gave the police report. He said Halloween went well. Weather conditions believed to have lowered the amount of trick or treaters and lower attendance at the party at the school.

Collins said there have been a number of break-ins at homes outside of town. He said if anyone sees anything that looks questionable, call 911.

Donnie Plummer gave the utility report. He said plans are to change the media in water filters the week of Thanksgiving.

The north water tower was inspected recently and is reported to be in good condition.

A leak at State Road 5 and 400 north had been repaired.

Local residents are reminded not to rake leaves onto the streets. There is a town Ordinance which requires that all leaves picked up by town employees must be bagged.

The next Council meeting will be held November 19.

POOL TOURNAMENT

There were 20 residents in the November 7th pool tourney. The winners were Clarence Myers and Norm Hiser. Second place went to Freddie Couch and Mel Dooley. This is the 4th time on a row that a female has either won or played in the title game!! The in -house tournament is played every Friday at 1:30 in the Fults

Снаитаиоиа

On November 7, 2014, the Chautauqua Literary Society met at Heritage Pointe. President Betty Yoder welcomed the members before all repeated the Collect, and answered the Roll Call "Veterans in your family." A vast number of Veterans serving in many wars represented the families of our members. The business meeting was conducted before the presentation of the program.

In 1998 author Richard Glaubman noticed a script in Seattle about a 101 year old man who wanted to attend classes furthering adult education. He wanted to learn to read, write his name, etc. The author wanted to meet that man, so he traveled to Dallas, TX, met, and became friends. He later authored the book, "Life is Good", published in 2000., about this man—George Dawson, 101 yrs. Old.

Oma Zent presented a riveting 1st person review of George Dawson's life of 101 years, beginning near Marshall, Tcxas, in 1898. On his first visit to town to take products and see what was there, he saw a car - his Dad said it would never last because of nothing but muddy roads - was given 1 cent to buy a piece of candy, and also saw his 1st racial uprising in the street.

George and his siblings were raised in a three room home—1 room set aside for combing cot-

ton. George learned how to do that by 4 years old. He was a responsible hard-worker early in his life, and that carried on his entire life when he worked many jobs to survive.

Even though Lincoln passed the Emancipation Proclamation to free the slaves, those who had debts to their masters had to repay them before they had freedom given to them. George's parents had to deal with that problem before they could be married. Of course, segregation was also practiced at that time, but George was able to see the racial barrier gradually broken down through the years.

Eventually George's father was able to buy 40 Acres at 50 cents an A. from a neighbor. Then he also could buy 80 Acres at 50 cents an A. from another neighbor. One day while working George heard a very loud and unusual sound, and when he looked up, he saw his 1st airplane. His father also said, "That won't last!"

In 1921, after George had become 21 years of age, he was able to keep the wages he earned instead of customarily giving them to his father. Also at that time, he began to travel, usually by boxcars with other hobos, to many places-----Brownsville, TX, Memphis, New Orleans, Toledo, OH-----and learned a great deal from many experiences—even seeing snow!

Later he decided to return to Marshall, TX, married, and raised a family.

Hard work and honesty was always his mode of operation throughout his entire life.

George Dawson became an inspiration to so many people, and on January 4, 1996, he was so happy and proud to learn to read, and he could also sign his name. He was never late or missed a day of school in 3 vears! Quite an accomplishment to take on when you are 96 years old. His only regret in 101 years was that he hurt his mule very many years ago, unnecessarily. His observation of life is that people worry too much. Get busy and help someone else and you won't need to worry so much!

"Life Is Good", and it is getting better every day!"

Attending were Janet Beavans, Sue Blair, Nancy Bonham, Ann Brauchla, Freddie Couch, Elaine Eckman, Barbara Engle, Sharon Gebhart, Phylis Hubartt, Karen Hunnicutt, Crystal Lrr, Colleen Oden, LuEllyn Pond, Jane Ruble, Peggy Schweikhardt, Martha Shafer, Ann Spahr, Carolyn Sparks, Sandy Thompson, Betty Yoder, Oma Zent, Joan Huffman, Ellen Laymon, Georgina Laymon, Harriett Tobias, and guest Laura Paul, granddaughter of Joan Huffman.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!! May it be a blessing!!

BOWLING SCORES

The Wednesday morning Mixed League scores are as follows: Games 1, 2 & 4 were won by "Clancy" Myers with scores of 185, 179 & 166. A new record was set by "Sawdust" Minnich with a 206 score. High Series went to "Sawdust" with a 712 and 2nd was "Clancy" at 707. Mary had a 580 series and "Curly" Taylor finished at the

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rear with a 568 series.

The Thursday morning men's league had "Curly" Taylor winning the first gamee at 209. "Corncob" Hinton won games 2,4 &4 at 236, 300 & 186, and also had the high series at 898. "Sawdust" got feathers in three of the games for picking up a tough spare, and "Curly & "Popcorn" also got feathers. " Sawdust" Minnich had a 562 series, "Popcorn" had a 495 series - only bowling 3 games & "Curly" had a 759 series.

This was Dick Hinton's 2nd time bowling a perfect 300 game, only this time he did it left handed which is his natural way. Last December he bowled a 300 game using his right hand, due to a "golf injury". Both times his witnesses were Ralph Taylor, Floyd Minnich, & Dick Lintner.

DOMINOS PLAYERS

There were 7 players in the Monday afternoon domino tournament with scores ranging from 23 for the winner and 40 for the high score. The low winning score was achieved by "Engineer" Ruble, winning 5 games. The high scorer was "Sawdust" Minnich at 40 points. The other players were "Captain" Hall at 35, "Clancy" Myers at 33, "Popcorn" Lintner at 34, "Engineer" Ruble at 25 and "Farmer" Bonham at 28.

On Wednesday November 5th, 7 players showed up. "Farmer" Bonham was the winner with a low score of 21 points!! Other players were "Clancy" Myers at 32, "Curly" Taylor at 33, "Corncob" Hinton at 29, "Captain" Hall at 43, "Sawdust" Minnich at 23 and "Engineer" Ruble with 30.

SIGMA PHI

Beta Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority held their November business meeting on Tuesday November 4th. The meeting was called to order by President Tara Korporal. Roll call was answered by sharing what you are thankful for.

Sandy Booher read the Secretaries report from the previous month. It was reported that we have sold some cookie jars and still have some available for sale. Reports were also given by Kathy Ralston, Beth Ostermeyer and Jenny Plummer.

We discussed a way to help the community this Thanksgiving season. After the discussion we voted to help 4 families in the community, with a gift card, a gift basket, a gas card and help on a utility bill. The meeting was closed by our Chaplin, Opal Brubaker.

We will not have a Social in November, Other members attending were Claudia Boxell, Sandy Eichhorn, Lorie Fiock, Sharon Gebhart, Carol Irick, Betty Yoder, Sondra Zabel and Rosemary Zeller. Our next meeting will be December the 2nd. Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

AG SCHOLARSHIPS

After a successful pilot in Indiana this past school year, America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders is now expanding to 40 states, with more than \$500,000 worth of scholarships available. Sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, the program provides \$1,500 college scholarships to students pursuing a degree related to agriculture. Starting Nov. 15, high school seniors and college students in Indiana and other eligible states can apply for this opportunity.

Farmers know the rewards of a career in agriculture, but many of today's youth may not. Luckily, there is an abundance of evidence that agriculture is a smart career choice. According to the USDA, nearly 55,000 jobs in agriculture are available every year. Many of the nation's largest land-grant institutions, such as Penn State and Texas A&M University, report job placement rates above 90% for their ag students.

Grow Ag Leaders helps engage future generations in agriculture by raising awareness of the broad range of career opportunities in the industry and by supporting their college education. The program was created in response to farmer requests to keep rural youth involved in agriculture. Farmers can participate in the program by encouraging students in their community to apply for a scholarship and by endorsing their application. Because farmers play a crucial role in the industry, each applicant is required to obtain endorsements from at least three local farmers.

"We want to encourage ambitious and talented students to pursue careers in this growing field," said Flizabeth Vancil. Youth and Community Outreach manager at Monsanto. "As students who grew up in rural areas learn more about what agriculture has become, they are realizing that it is a fascinating, hitech industry, with job growth, job security, and high wages. These young people are seeing that there are emerging opportunities for a new generation of innovative young farmers, engineers, implement designers, marketing specialists and seed scientists.

Grow Ag Leaders is part of the overall America's Farmers campaign, which highlights the vital role played by farmers, through programs designed to support rural communities. Farmers interested in promoting the program and endorsing students' scholarship applications can learn how GrowAgLeaders.com. The scholarships are administered by the National FFA Organization, but FFA membership is not required to apply. Students have until February 1, 2015 to complete the application online at FFA.org/ scholarships.

Excise Tax Website

Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) Don Snemis announced today that the BMV has launched a website that allows customers to determine if they are eligible for an Excise Tax refund.

"In early October the BMV began sending out claim forms to customers who were affected by the Excise Tax misclassification," said Snemis. "All of those letters have been mailed. In case someone did not receive their letter, the BMV has created a website that allows Hoosiers to verify

their eligibility and print a claim form that includes mailing instructions."

To avoid any potential fraud, the BMV is asking Hoosiers to access the Refund Eligibility page by visiting myBMV.com and clicking on the green "Check Your Excise Tax Refund Eligibility" icon on the right-hand side of the home page. Users will need to input either their Social Security Number or their Driver's License Number in order to check their eligibility.

On October 8, 2014, the BMV began sending out claim forms to Hoosiers affected by the Excise Tax miscalculation. That process was completed last week. In less than a month, the BMV issued 185,252 claim forms to customers totaling \$28.59 million, not including interest.

To date, the BMV has received over 131,000 claim forms and has processed over 92,700 claims totaling \$14.9 million, plus \$1.2 million in interest. The BMV is currently processing claims about a week after the claim forms are received, and checks are being issued about a week later.

Given that letters were mailed as late as last week, the BMV expects to continue receiving and processing claim forms for quite some time. As to any unclaimed refunds, the BMV will use all reasonable measures to locate everyone entitled to a refund, including follow-up mailings and the use of national databases to locate individuals who may have moved outside of Indiana. After all reasonable means of locating customers entitled to refunds have been exhausted, refunds will be turned over to the Indiana Attorney General's Indiana Unclaimed program.

CAREGIVERS MONTH

In 1983, President Ronald Reagan, who was later diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, designated November as National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month. President Bill Clinton named the week of Thanksgiving as a time to honor caregivers in 1997, and that has expanded to National Family Caregivers Month. As an organization founded by caregivers, the Alzheimer's Association applauds caregivers and hopes to make their efforts a little easier year round with an innovative

resources that have been designed specifically with families

The Alzheimer's Association offers free resources to guide families impacted by Alzheimer's disease, including:

- · Alzheimer's Association Helpline (1-800-272-3900): This toll-free 24/7 Helpline is the one of its kind; the Helpline is staffed by masters-level counselors and provides information and guidance in more than 170 languages and dialects.
- The Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Center (alz.org/ care): This site provides more than 70 pages of information and easy access to resources. such as:
- Community Resource Finder Find local resources.
- Care Team Calendar Coordinate caregiving responsibilities among family and friends.
- Safety Center Access information and resources for safety inside and outside of the home. wandering and getting lost, and dementia and driving.
- ALZConnected[™], powered by the Alzheimer's Association (alzconnected.org): This is the first social networking community designed for people living with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. ALZConnected is a specialized social network that allows members to connect and communicate with people who understand their unique challenges 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. They can also pose questions and offer solutions to dementia-related issues, create public and private groups organized around a dedicated topic, and contribute to message boards. ALZConnected combines the features of many social networking sites and the Alzheimer's popular Association's message boards. Members create "connections" by extending and receiving invitations.

There more than 100,000 Hoosiers living with Alzheimer's and 330,000 unpaid caregivers in Indiana, according to the Alzheimer's Association® 2014 Alzheimer's Disease Facts & Figures. The Alzheimer's Association will continue to assist families in a variety of ways to best meet their needs, including local programs such as:

 Support groups: Peer- or professionally led groups for caregivers and others dealing with Alzheimer's disease. All sup-





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port groups are facilitated by trained individuals. Many locations offer specialized groups for individuals with younger-onset and early-stage Alzheimer's, adult caregivers and others with specific needs.

- Education Programs: The Greater Indiana Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association provides caregiver training classes and workshops. Contact the Alzheimer's Association locally at alz.org/indiana.
- Care Consultation: A master's level social worker meets with families to develop care plans for their loved ones, which helps to alleviate some of the difficult decisions that arise when caring for an individual.

For more information on Alzheimer's disease or available resources, visit alz.org or call 1-800-272-3900.

About the Alzheimer's Association:

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NUMBERS DOWN

Indiana deer hunters should expect another productive season in 2014, although they may see fewer deer than in previous years when the firearms season begins Nov. 15.

"There are several factors con-

tributing to reduced deer numbers in certain areas of the state," DNR deer management biologist Chad Stewart said. "Some are by design and some are by external forces."

The DNR is in the third year of a management effort to reduce deer numbers in targeted areas. Another reason for fewer deer was a serious 2012 outbreak of hemorrhagic disease - an often lethal virus transmitted by small flies known as biting midges.

"These numbers are more in line with what should be seen on the landscape," Stewart said. "We recognize these declines and have been responsive in our management by reducing our antlerless quotas in many areas and dropping some counties from the special late antlerless season. In many cases, these are the levels at which we are trying to manage our herd."

In addition to basic bag limits, hunters can purchase bonus licenses to take additional antlerless deer based on a county's assigned quota. Bonus licenses can be used in any season, except the Urban Deer Zone Season, using the equipment that is legal for that season.

The bonus antlerless quota was reduced this year for 19 counties. As a result of those reductions, six fewer counties are eligible for the special late antlerless season (Dec. 26 through Jan. 4, 2015) than a year ago.

With no hemorrhagic disease reported in 2014 and few reports of deer being affected by last year's hard winter, Stewart anticipates a deer harvest similar to that of 2013 (126,635 deer) but short of the record set in 2012 of 136,248 deer.

The firearms season runs Nov. 15-30. Hunters with a firearms license may take one antlered deer. Bonus licenses are required to take additional deer with firearms.

"Hunters in the north are likely to see deer numbers at lower levels than they are accustomed to seeing," he said. "Historically, deer herds tend to rebound quickly from outbreaks of hemorrhagic disease, but that hasn't been the case in northern Indiana."

Stewart sees a different picture in southern Indiana.

"Hunters there should continue to see good numbers of deer," he said. "The balance of deer cover and the absence of lingering effects from any disease outbreak have produced ample opportunities for hunters to be suc-

FACING THE FEAR OF A MAKE **OVER**

There's nothing wrong with some strategic plastic surgery to make you feel better about growing older, but some seniors are concerned that aging increases the risks for complications, according to the Association of Mature American Citi-

The first rule of cosmetic surgery is to check with your family doctor. The Centers for Disease Control suggests that before you undergo plastic surgery "discuss other health problems, such as diabetes, with your doctor. These issues could affect your surgery and your treatment."

But AMAC notes that once your

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MANIFOLD

Rosemary M. Manifold, 90, died Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2014 at Heritage Pointe in Warren, Ind.

Memorial service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 15, at 2 pm at Applegate Chapel at Heritage Pointe, 801 Huntington Avenue, Warren, Ind. with visitation one hour prior. Burial was at Mendon Cemetery in Madison County, Ind. Memorials may be made to Heritage Pointe Fine Arts Program, PO Box 326, Warren, IN 46792. Arrangements by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, Warren, Ind.

FENNIG

Juanita Fern Fennig, 90, a resident of rural Bryant in Bearcreek Township of Jay County, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2014, at Crownpointe of Portland.

Born July 15, 1924, in Wells County to Jesse L. and Ora (Sawyer) Nusbaumer, she graduated from Petroleum High School in 1942. She and her husband farmed in Bearcreek Township, Jay County for many years. She was a member of the Westchester United Methodist Church where she belonged to the Women's Mission Society. She was also a member of the Carriage Travel Club. NCHA Campers and Limberlost Camping Club. Juanita traveled to Mississippi and Louisiana with her church after Hurricane Katrina to help with disaster relief efforts on three occasions.

She was married to Rolland Fennig for 60 years, from February 27, 1944, until his passing on July 6, 2004.

Survivors include three sons, Barry L. (Pam) Fennig, rural Bryant, Stephen W. (Terry) Fennig, rural Bryant, and Randall

G. (Toni) Fennig, rural Portland; two sisters, Phyllis (Herbert) Grover, Warren, and Donna (Ted) Stanton, Arcadia, Fla.; and 13 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter, Connie Fennig.

Visitation will be held Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home in Portland.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Westchester United Methodist Church, 4487 E. 400 N., Portland. There will also be visitation one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will follow in the Gravel Hill Cemetery, west of Bryant

Memorials may be directed towards the Westchester United Methodist Church-Mozambique Education Fund (Katey's Boys).

RIRTH

Jet Allen Gilbert was born to Matt and Stacy Gilbert on September 27, 2014 at 1:28 am. Jet weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. He joins siblings Drake 15, Tess 13, Callie 12, Rhett 9, Regan 7, Sylvie 6, Cash 4, Hub 3, and Zeke 23 months.

Grandparents are Andy and Pat Wagner, Jim and Dottie Irwin. and the late Tom Gilbert. Greatgrandparents are John and Ann McCammon, John and Kate Gilbert, and Jeannie Wagner.

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physician gives you the nod, a new study shows that most cosmetic procedures are not any more risky for seniors than for younger patients. Dr. Max Yezhelyev of Vanderbilt University Medical Center recently published the results of a massive study of 129,000 patients conducted over five years. The results, he reported, showed that "patients over 65 can safely undergo cosmetic procedures with a complications rate similar to younger patients when surgery is performed by a board-certified plastic surgeon."

SNOOZE ALARM

It's inevitable, the older you get the more sleep-deprived you feel. But, are those who claim. they suffer insomnia really getting less sleep than the rest of us? The Association of Mature American Citizens cites a recent study in which researchers at University of Chicago used new, minimally-invasive technology to record what really happens when seniors retire for the night. It turns out that many people who say they can't sleep may only think they can't. For example, 42 percent of those who participated in the study said they rarely, if ever, had trouble

falling asleep. On average, the

wrist-monitors they wore

showed that it took them about

27 minutes to nod off for the night. Twelve-percent said they usually had trouble falling asleep at night, but their monitors showed that it took them only about four minutes longer fall asleep.

The study showed that those who said they got less sleep because they woke up at night, actually slept an average of 19 minutes longer than those who said they usually slept through the night. And, it concluded that test subjects who complained that they woke up too early in the mornings got just about the same amount of total sleep time as their counterparts who said getting up early didn't bother them.

No doubt that perceptions of sleep are subjective and, according to the researchers, it may be that some of us don't get enough so-called deep sleep-the kind that babies and teen-agers enjoy.

BEWARE THE MUNCHIES

A trespasser was arrested in a Wichita, KS home in the middle of the night when the woman of the house called them to deal with a stranger in her kitchen.

The man was arrested on suspicion of burglary although he said that he thought he was in his aunt's house, the Associated Press reported.

Apparently the intruder was suffering from the munchies and

took the time out for a midnight snack, quipped the Association of Mature American Citizens. It seems the woman came out of her bedroom at about 3:30 AM and found him in the kitchen munching away on cookie dough taken from her fridge.

AGING AMERICANS OWE BILLIONS FOR UNPAID

STUDENT LOANS

Outstanding student loan debt is a bane for recent grads, but it is on the rise at an alarming rate among the nation's senior citizens, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens.

The Government Accountability Office reports that student loan debt among seniors has risen by more than 600% since 2005. Older Americans owed \$2.8 billion in unpaid school loans in 2005, last year the amount of debt had increased to more than \$18 billion. Twenty percent of those loans were understandably taken out to pay for their children's education.

But, the bulk of the debt, 80%, is the result of the failure of seniors to pay back the money they borrowed decades ago for their own schooling. Now it is having a negative impact on the retirement plans for many of them, particularly those on fixed incomes, as the government sets out to recoup the funds.

NONAGENARIANS ON THE

FAST TRACK

Five daring not-so-old men "kept the faith" and "finished the race" at the USA Track & Field Masters Outdoor Championships in Winston-Salem, N.C. this summer, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens.

The runners were ninety-one year old Charles Ross of Decatur, AR, Roy Englert from Springfield, VA, who is also 91 years old, Charles Boyle from Annapolis, MD, who is also 91, Orville Rogers, a 96-year-old Texan from Dallas and Champion Goldy who is 97 and hails from Haddonfield, NJ.

They gave spectators a lesson in growing old gracefully, setting three world records at the track meet.

"We all just managed to stay alive longer than everybody else," quipped Englert. Asked why he did it, Ross responded: "because I want to win!"

OLDER AMERICANS EMBRACE THE INTERNET

More seniors are Internet savvy than previously thought, says the Association of Mature American Citizens, citing Pew Research and Nielsen Company statistics. Pew says that 87% of senior citizens use online services such as Google and Nielsen has reported that 88.6% keep in touch with email.

Computer prices have come down significantly since the beginning of the digital age and that might be one reason more seniors are surfing the Web these days. But AMAC believes that the principal reason is that techies have been making computer applications more intuitive and easier to use.

DANGEROUS DENTURES

Seniors who sit in a draft are likely to catch a cold; those who leave their dentures in overnight could be at a higher risk for pneumonia, the Association of Mature American Citizens concludes from a new study published by the International and American Associations for Dental Research.

The researchers studied 526 men and women in their 80's over a three year period and found that nearly 41 percent of the 453 denture wearers among them had an array of oral hygiene problems and that they were more than twice as likely to develop the dreaded respiratory disease.

Their conclusion for geriatric patients: take those dentures out of your moth before nodding off for the night.

Preventing dangerous

FALLS AMONG THE ELDERLY

Researchers at the University of Illinois in Chicago deliberately tripped senior citizens in the process of developing ways to prevent them from falling down, CBS News reported.

Professor Clive Pai headed up the study and he says that it could become a virtual "vaccine against falls." He calls it "implicit learning. We don't give any instruction. They don't have to be motivated -- they're naturally motivated because they don't want to be on the floor."

The Association of Mature American Citizens says the procedure is not as cruel as you might think, explaining that the elderly participants in Pai's study wear harnesses. After a while, they learn to catch themselves. Pai and his team say that after as few as 24 fake falls the older adults in the study were 50 percent less likely to fall as they go about their daily chores.

Stretching exercises, vision exams, strategic handrails, the avoidance of sudden moves and the use of a cane, if necessary, are also good ways to prevent dangerous falls, according to AMAC.

My, WHAT A BIG CUCURBITA PEPO YOU HAVE!

Pumpkins are a big part of fall festivities in the U.S. and in England and it seems that the bigger the pumpkin the more festive the celebrations, says the Association of Mature American Citizens.

London's Daily Mirror reports that Mal Carter of Middlesborough won this year's Great Pumpkin Commonwealth plaque at the York Maze Halloween Festival with his 1,025 pound entry. "I'm thrilled to have won. I'm the been growing giant pumpkins for years but this is by far the biggest pumpkin I've ever grown," Carter told reporters.

It was, indeed, a magnificent example of the species known to scientists as the Cucurbita Pepo, but not quite as awe-inspiring as the one Tim Mathison entered in last year's Napa Valley, CA's Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off. Tipping the scales at 2,032 pounds, it was declared the biggest ever grown.

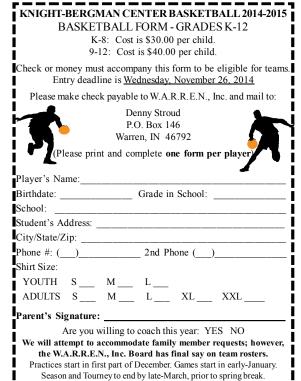
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TIPS FOR SAVING FOR RETIREMENT IN YOUR 20s

(StatePoint) In your 20s, you may think you have all the time in the world to save for retirement. It can be tempting to spend your entire paycheck, particularly if you're entering the workforce and have debt or other spending priorities. This is the time to create the savings behaviors that could boost your retirement readiness in the future.

Your age is your biggest advantage in your 20s. Saving early gives you the opportunity to make your money work for you with compounding interest.

"Many young people need education and one-on-one support to help them get on track and stay on track with retirement savings goals," says Chuck Cornelio, president of Retirement Plan Services for Lincoln Financial Group.

Cornelio offers tips to help young people take action and save for retirement:

- Start Now. One of the easiest ways to save for retirement is through an employer-sponsored retirement plan, like a 401(k) or 403(b) plan. Whether you're starting a new job or interviewing for one, check out the retirement plan benefits offered by your employer. And as soon as it's available to you, enroll. If your company doesn't offer an employer-sponsored retirement plan, consider saving in an individual retirement account (IRA). Most local banks have an IRA solution that could work for you.
- Save at Least to the Match.

Many employers will match your contributions up to a certain percentage. Save at least up to that match amount. When you don't take full advantage of a company match, you're leaving money on the table.

- · Create a Budget. For many, entering adulthood means managing one's own finances for the first time. Along with saving for an emergency fund, create a monthly budget that allows you to save a small percentage towards your retirement savings plan. A few dollars from every paycheck can make a big difference down the road.
- Resist Taking Money From Yourself. Life happens and you may need cash to pay for unexpected expenses. During these times, you may be tempted to borrow against your retirement savings or take out the money altogether. By doing so, you may miss out on potential market gains. You could also incur taxes and penalties for money withdrawn or for not paying back a
- Make More, Save More. The more you earn, the more you should save. When you receive an extra bump in cash from a bonus, pay raise or another pleasant surprise, consider putting that money towards your retirement savings.
- Seek Help. You may need help with identifying the investment options and savings goals that are right for you. Schedule an initial meeting with a financial professional and then commit to annual check-ups to talk about your savings progress. A Lincoln Financial Group participant satisfaction survey found that retirement confidence increases with access to guidance from a financial professional, such as a retirement consultant.

For more savings tips, visit www.LincolnFinancial.com. Once you start saving, you'll feel good about the progress you're making towards boosting your retirement readiness.

SPREAD HOLIDAY CHEER WITH THE GIFT OF FAMILY **HISTORY**

(StatePoint) Amidst the gifts, meals and parties of the holiday season, one word takes precedence -- family. There's no better time to begin learning about family roots, especially as you're gathered together in celebration. And doing so is easier than

While researching family history or exploring ethnic roots was once a task-heavy chore, filled with hours of library visits, interviews or public records inquiries, now you can conveniently traverse the genealogical landscape thanks to new technology tools, such as mobile apps, social media and even affordable Ancestral DNA tests that enable you to find family stories you may not have known about.

Liven up the holidays and connect with those who mean the most by sitting down and chatting about family history. Here are some pointers to get started:

- Start with what you know: Using a website like Ancestry.com, or the Ancestry app (available on iOS and Android), enter the information you know into your family tree. Upload photos to preserve memories. Don't have all the facts? Don't worry. This is just the start of your quest.
- Take a DNA test: DNA isn't just for TV shows and professional detectives. You now can be your own detective. Get your ethnic breakdown by percentage, such as 50 percent Irish and 50 percent Native American, and find out who else may be related to you with tools such as AncestryDNA. On average, folks taking the test have 60 matches to 4th -- or closer -- cousins in their results.
- · Chat with relatives at family gatherings: Over the holidays, dive into your family history with relatives. Consider gifting them family history resources like a DNA test. Record any interviews, particularly with the elderly, and

take detailed notes. Ask everyone to bring photo albums and heirlooms. Any documents you create or collect you can attach to your online family tree for preservation.

- Look at the ancestry hints in your family tree: Ancestry provides hints about possible relatives to populate your family tree. These clues could give valuable insight into your family's legacy and connect you with lost relatives.
- · Share your findings: Whether it's at the next family reunion, or as a belated holiday gift wrapped and framed, share your findings with your family for a better understanding of your collective heritage. Plenty of websites offer printing services, so consider the perfect stocking stuffer: a calendar, book, poster or other gift that will bring more meaning to the holidays. Encourage family to try the app and fill in their own family tree.

For more researching tips, or to get started on your own search, visit www.Ancestry.com.

Whether it's confirming a family legend, discovering an old yearbook photo of a grandfather before he left for World War II, or meeting a family you never knew existed, it's never been easier to create memories and family traditions during the holiday season.

with two simple rules: stick to the basics and start with great quality meat.

Delicious meat comes from animals raised the way nature intended -- no antibiotics or animal by-product in feed. Choose turkeys from farms that have achieved Global Animal Partnership 5-Step Animal Welfare Rating so you know your holiday bird was raised with care.

For the juiciest, most flavorful meat, start with a fresh organic turkey and layer in flavor with a simple brine or herb rub. Try a brine kit, such as one from 365 Everyday Value, and then stuff chopped herbs under the skin before roasting. If you like bronzed, crispy skin, blast your turkey with heat at the beginning or end of cooking, breast side up. Roast until your meat thermometer reads 165 degrees Farenheit.

Once done, let your turkey rest for 30 minutes before carving so juices redistribute. This locks in moisture and makes for smoother carving. More tips are available

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