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*Thought for the Week:* Remember that happiness is a way of travel - not a destination. Roy M. Goodman

## SW GRADUATION

Commencement ceremony for the Class of 2020 is Friday, July 24, 2020. A traditional baccalaureate service will be held at 5:30 p.m. with the commencement ceremony following at 7:00 p.m. We're all hoping and praying that as a state we continue moving forward with the "Back on Track" plan as it's currently outlined. However, it would be a mistake not to acknowledge the fact that there is a chance it could change. Any deviation or change would again force us to reevaluate the newly announced plan for commencement. "Seniors, a plan for graduation rehearsal will come at a later date via your school emails.

Senior Awards Ceremony: On May 31st at 3:30 p.m. (originally scheduled date for graduation), we will be hosting a virtual awards ceremony to recognize all our seniors. Similar to the traditional Senior Awards Banquet hosted in years past, students will be recognized for the various awards, honors and scholarships they have received. Seniors, as mentioned, the ceremony will be virtual and prerecorded so all you will need to is BE SURE TO RESPOND to any future emails from the school. Regardless of whether or not you've been awarded a scholarship, we want to recognize you and share a

little about you/your plans for the future! The link for the ceremony will be shared from the school's website as well as our facebook page. So, plan to tune in on Sunday, May 31st at 3:30 p.m.

## FESTIVAL SHIRTS

The Salamonie Summer Festival festival committee will be selling 2020 festival shirts Saturday May 9th at KBC parking lot from 10:00 to 12:00 \$10 larger sizes \$12.

## SJP AWARD

Who will be selected for the 2020 Samuel Jones Award? Have you sent in your nomination of a Warren resident eligible for this recognition?

If you've nominated someone before [who wasn't chosen] please nominate this person again. The person could be your neighbor, co-worker, sister or brother.

Who is the person or persons who has made your life more enjoyable in Warren?

The resident could be someone who helps local organizations to achieve their goals to help Warren be the "Small Town With A Big Heart".

Your nomination providing detailed information about candidates' volunteer achievements for community, church, organization could be the 2020 Samuel Jones Pioneer!

All nominations must be in writing, signed and postmarked by Friday May 15 2020. The 2020 recipient will be selected by a committee of past Pioneers.

The Samuel Jones Pioneer Award is sponsored by the Warren Area Chamber of Commerce. Save the date of July 03 2020. to congratulate the 2020 Samuel Jones Pioneer.

Send your nominations to Rose Broyles PO BOX 614 Warren Indiana.

## LIBRARY OPENING

With Governor Holcomb's Back on Track plan, this is how the Warren Public Library is serving the community in Stage 2, starting May 4th:

-The building will remain closed to the public. HOWEVER, we will be offering curbside service.

Curbside Service Steps:

1. Go to the Evergreen catalog found at <https://www.warren.lib.in.us> to place holds, or call us at 260-375-3450 to request holds verbally.

2. What titles are on the New Books shelf if you cannot come in? We keep an updated listing here: <https://www.warren.lib.in.us/news-events/whats-new-at-the-library/>

3. Give us a call or email at warrenpl@warren.lib.in.us when you expect to arrive to pick up your holds.

4. Pull up out front and your order will be brought to you. PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR.

5. Curbside returns of materials will be accepted.

-Sorry, but no computer or print/copy services are available at this time. We WILL keep our Wi-Fi signal on 24/7, which reaches into the area around our building. Please still observe social distancing.

-Librarians will be here during open hours to answer questions.

-We anticipate opening the building in a limited capacity when Huntington County reaches Stage 3, estimated to be May 24th.

-Book clubs will not meet until June at the earliest.

-We ARE still planning to have a Summer Reading Program, but it may be held differently from previous years.

## MAY, MOTHERS, & MARIGOLDS

First, we would like to thank everyone that came out for our greenhouse opening! The weather was absolutely perfect and the conversations abounded! With our greenhouse open, we have extended business hours! We're open Monday-Saturday 9-5pm and Sunday 1-5pm. This weekend is Mother's Day and we have all sorts of flowers, plants, and pottery to create that perfect gift!

Our modern "mothers day" holiday has roots back to 1908 when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother at a church in West Virginia. Shortly after, in 1914, Woodrow Wilson declared the second Sunday in May our official "Mothers Day" national holiday. Naturally, we know how amazing moms are and should celebrate that on a daily basis!

So hug your moms, tell her you love her each day, and let her know how special she is! Happy Mother's Day from all of us at Gebhart's Floral Barn!

## HOMESPUN MARKET

GOOD NEWS! Homespun Market is thrilled to be able to open it's doors for you, our local shoppers! A HUGE THANK YOU for your support during the time we had to be closed.

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Hours for this week only: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10-5 and Saturday 9-2.

For those that would feel more comfortable please call to make an appointment or if you know what you want delivered call 260-375-3200 and we will guide you through the process.

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Beginning next week Homespun will have

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## Kudos, Kicks & Karats

# Life in a Small Town

by Treva Flemming

Life has many mysterious ways of leading you in different directions and sometimes it's hard to make sure you're on the right path, but over time you realize that path was the right one and you continue on till the path dead ends. Our lives are changing and we will be heading down a different path again but looking back we wouldn't change a thing. Friendships and the people we would like to call "our" family have been wonderful. Good times definitely outweigh the bad and generosity shown to us when we were down on our luck over the years can never be repaid. So now on to new lives and if ever the chance to go back, we would do it in a heartbeat.

With spring in the air, we have been doing some "spring" cleaning and of course so much to do in so little time. Organizing, deciding what to keep and what to throw, and then the big decision, do we have a rummage sale or just post online and see if someone claims they need it as much as we thought we did. I'm not much on keeping anything, if I don't use it in a year, I won't ever use it, is my motto. But then I always seem to still have too much stuff. I went upstairs to get my summer clothes out and to get them all washed up and I looked at all the clothes I have that I don't even wear. How in the heck do you get so much stuff in so little time. I very seldom buy new clothes, and what I do buy is uniforms for my job and here I am in this mountain of clothes that I have no idea where they came from....well o.k. maybe I do but I know one thing, the Bargain Basement better open soon.

My mom is definitely not a pack rat, she is in that same motto that I'm in. No since keeping it if you don't use it. My dad on the other hand had "stuff". There is a story bout my parents that I can't print here, but I'm always willing to tell if asked, about the "stuff" my dad always had a way of putting other words to good use in his sentences.. lol

When we were moving mom out of the big house into the townhouse, John was in charge of the basement and the garage, you know, the man cave "stuff". I went to the basement to help him and wholly Toledo, I know he had all kinds of things to fix furniture but dang...my words were "where in the heck did all this come from" now mind you I did inherit the capability of putting other words to good use in my sentences too and that day I used that ability quite often. I never thought those cabinets had so much "stuff" in them. It took John, and now adding me to the sorting of, the

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 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship .. 6:30 p.m.

**BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 8294S 900W 35  
 Harold Smith, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study ..... 6:00p.m.

**BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**  
 Chad Yoder, Pastor  
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199  
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 Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
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**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**  
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779  
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor  
 Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.

**HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**  
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726  
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor  
 1st Worship..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

**THE NEW BEGINNING**  
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto  
 Steve Sutton, Pastor  
 765/728-2065 for more info  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.  
 Thursday Prayer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.

**HERITAGE POINTE**  
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz & Dick Case  
 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT  
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 Chapel Services ..... 9:00 a.m.

**WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 727 N Wayne St, Warren  
 260-375-2811  
 office@warrenfirsbaptist.net  
 Pator Rusty Strickler  
 Youth Dir: Peter & Mindy Fairchild  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ...Sun 11:30  
 Ekklesia ..... Sun 6:30pm

**HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 375-2510  
 Bus Service 375-2510  
[www.hillcrestnazchurch.org](http://www.hillcrestnazchurch.org)  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

**SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST**  
 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN  
 375-3873  
 Paul Burris, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.

**LANCASTER WESLEYAN**  
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington  
 468-2411  
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor  
 Pam Thompson, S.S. Supt.  
 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 ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:00a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15a.m.  
 Tues. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Choir ..... 6:30p.m.  
 Monthly Meetings  
 1st Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am  
 4th Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm

**LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Pastor Diane Samuels  
 Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.

**THE CHURCH AT MCNATT**  
 375-4359  
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor  
 Lois Slusher, Supt.  
 Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.  
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST**  
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124  
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"  
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Youth ..... 4-6 p.m.  
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**SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN**  
 468-2412  
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Church School ..... 10:45a.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-2102  
 Interim Pastor Troy Drayer  
 Youth Pastor Troy & Mindy Drayer  
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.  
 Youth Sunday School during Worship Service  
 Youth Group-Wed ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

**VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 765/934-3321 Parsonage  
 Jeff Slater, Pastor  
 Jim Knight, Superintendent  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.  
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.  
 Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.

**VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 765-934-1431  
 Pastor Cindy Osgood  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30 am  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30am  
 Not Home Alone - Wed ..... 3:00 pm  
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) ..... 7:00 pm  
 UMW 2nd Wed ..... 7:00 pm  
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am  
 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue ..... 12:00 pm  
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**WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-3022  
 Ethan T Stivers, Senior Minister  
 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister  
 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.  
 Tara Bower - Secretary  
[www.warrenchurchofchrist.org](http://www.warrenchurchofchrist.org)  
 Fellowship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 11 to 11:50 a.m.  
 Youth:  
 K-6th grade, Mon ..... 6:15-7pm  
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm

**WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**  
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren  
 260-228-9084  
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor  
 Wesley Welch, Supt.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Wed Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.

**FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN  
 765-934-3609  
 Pastor Al Soultz  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am  
 Sunday School Classes ..... 9:30 am  
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm  
 Thurs. Bible Study ..... 7:00 pm



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## AREA NEWS

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different hours. We will be open Wednesday and Friday 11-3 and Saturday 9-12. These hours will be effective until June 1.

See you soon at 427 North Matilda Street !!

### FROM THE GOVERNOR

Info from transcript of the Governor's speech on May 1st, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.

"We will follow 4 guiding principles to determine how plans to reopen various sectors of the economy move forward:

First – that the number of hospitalized COVID-19 patients statewide has decreased for 14 days.

Our current data show that, as a state, COVID patient admissions have decreased over the past 2 weeks.

Second, that the state retains its surge capacity for critical care beds and ventilators.

Currently, state-wide ICU bed and vent availability has remained above 40% and 70% respectively for the last 2 weeks.

Personal protective equipment – or PPE – is critical for businesses as they resume operations, with masks in particular demand. The state is working with Hoosier companies that have already converted their lines of work to PPE or currently supply such materials.

We're developing the Indiana Small Business PPE

Marketplace to provide reliable access to PPE for small businesses that need help to comply with safe workplace precautions.

Businesses and nonprofit entities with fewer than 150 employees and registered to do business in Indiana will be eligible. More details will be outlined in the coming days.

In addition, we will be distributing 300 million dollars to counties, cities and towns via a population-based formula, which is the first installment from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.

The third principle is that we can test all Hoosiers who are COVID-19 symptomatic.

At the outset of the virus, Indiana deployed a dozen strike teams to congregate settings – especially nursing homes – to quickly respond to suspected COVID cases. These teams will continue to play a vital role in keeping Indiana on track and will focus on detecting new cases as early as possible.

To help in the early detection of new cases, the state has partnered with OptumServe to add 50 testing locations in strategically located parts of the state.

These sites will enable over 100,000 more Hoosiers to get tested per month, and aid in the early detection of new cases.

Hoosier employers, employees, and consumers can have confidence that anyone concerned they may

be sick due to their symptoms, or having been in contact with someone who is, will have the ability to get tested.

Which leads me to our fourth guiding principle for getting Indiana back on track – which is to contact all individuals who test positive for COVID-19 and expand contact tracing.

We will aggressively track new cases through a centralized contact tracing program to help slow the spread of the virus.

While ISDH, in cooperation with local health departments, has engaged in contact tracing since the first positive case of COVID-19 was reported in early March, centralized contact tracing will begin May 11. This will enable the state to ensure all future cases are tracked and recorded in a uniform and timely fashion.

All Hoosiers who test positive in the future will receive a text, email, and a call from one of the state's over 500 contact tracers currently being onboarded. These tracers will identify other Hoosiers potentially at risk and help provide resources individuals may need.

So, to ensure we can make steady progress getting Indiana back on track, we will continue to watch that our number of hospitalized COVID-19 patients are diminishing, that we retain

sufficient critical equipment, that we're able to test all citizens who might be symptomatic, and that we can track those who test positive.

Given the trends moving in the right direction on all 4 fronts, I am ready to announce the next steps.

We have developed a 5-stage roadmap that with our collective efforts, can help us reach the goal of having Indiana back on track by July 4th – Independence Day.

Of course, this roadmap is subject to change. New guidance is provided regularly and more is known about this disease every day.

Since March 24, we've been hunkered down. We're calling this Stage 1.

During this time, essential manufacturing, construction, infrastructure, government, business, healthcare and other critical businesses and operations have been open, while K-12 school buildings remain closed and all their activities are canceled.

Since Monday, Hoosiers have been able to resume having elective medical procedures.

Stage 2 will roll out over the next 3 weeks.

Nearly all of Indiana will move to Stage 2 this Monday, May 4th.

Marion and Lake – our two most populous counties – may begin Stage 2 on May 11th to ensure our new testing and contact tracing

programs are up and running. Cass County, which recently had an outbreak, may start Stage 2 May 18th to make sure they don't overwhelm the healthcare system.

As we work to get back on track, we must still protect the most vulnerable among us.

That's why, in Stage 2, Hoosiers 65 and over and those with high-risk health conditions – who are the most susceptible to the coronavirus – should remain at home as much as possible.

In Stage 2, we'll be easing restrictions in a measured way – although local governments may impose more local strict guidelines as conditions dictate.

We are lifting the essential travel restrictions and permitting social gatherings of up to 25 people, following the CDC's social distancing guidelines.

State government offices will begin to open for limited interaction with the public.

In addition, the remaining manufacturers, industrial and other infrastructure operations that had not been considered essential will also open.

Retail and commercial businesses will open at 50% capacity.

Examples include apparel, furniture, jewelry and liquor stores that have been operating as curbside or delivery only.

Shopping malls may open at 50% capacity with indoor common areas restricted to 25% capacity.

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Personal services, such as hair salons, barber shops, nail salons, spas and tattoo parlors also may open on May 11 by appointment only and must follow social distancing guidelines.

Those who work in office settings are encouraged to continue to work remotely whenever possible. In fact, if anyone can work from home, we encourage you to continue to do so.

Before I discuss Stage 3, let me make this one point clear: Starting May 8th, for all 92 Indiana counties, indoor worship services may also convene, following specific social distancing guidelines – while those 65 and older and those at elevated risk will be asked to stay home.

Our preference is that you continue virtual and outdoor services. And church leaders – we need you to keep your congregations safe.

If health indicators remain positive, on May 24th we'll move to Stage 3.

Individuals at risk, including those over 65, may venture out cautiously. Those who can work remotely should continue to do so.

Social gatherings of up to 100 people may occur.

Retail stores and malls may move to 75% of capacity.

Movie theaters may open at 50% capacity and mall common areas – such as food courts and sitting areas – may further open to 50% capacity.

Playgrounds, tennis courts, basketball courts, pools, campgrounds and gyms and fitness centers may open with restrictions and social distancing.

All the while, we will be constantly monitoring what is happening in every community across our state.

We will be looking at hospital admissions, how many ventilators and critical care beds are available in each region, our capacity to test more Hoosiers, and how our contact tracing system is working.

That is the data that has guided us every day since this emergency began, and we're not going to let off the gas now.

We will continue to monitor every day.

And while we're hopeful that we have the momentum to move into this stage later in May, we will be cautious and make the best decisions for Hoosiers based on the situation at that time.

If still on track, on June 14th we'll advance to Stage 4.

We hope we can open up the state even more in mid-June – to get you back to even more of the activities you and your family are used to – and missing so much in recent weeks.

In Stage 4, face coverings will be optional and social gatherings of up to 250 people may take place, and large venues may open with adherence to social distancing guidelines.

State government buildings will reopen to the public.

Professional office building employees may resume work at full capacity.

Retail stores, malls open at full capacity with social distancing guidelines in place.

Dining room service may open at 75% capacity, bar seating in restaurants may open at 50% capacity.

Cultural, entertainment and tourism may open at 50% capacity.

This includes museums, zoos, bowling alleys, aquariums, and like facilities.

Recreational sports leagues and tournaments may resume, and amusement parks, water parks and like facilities may open at 50% capacity.

Our goal is to have all areas of the state reach Stage 5 beginning July 4th.

Even in Stage 5 we will continue to do social distancing, but conventions, sports events, fairs, festivals, state fair and like events may resume and remote work will be optional.

Retail stores, malls, restaurants, bars, nightclubs, gyms and personal services may operate at full capacity.

Restrictions will be lifted at amusement parks, water parks and like facilities.

At this time, we will decide how to approach the next school year.

So, Hoosiers, this is our 5-Stage plan to get Indiana back on track. It's a methodical, step-by-step plan for steady progress which we'll carefully monitor.

You can read more about this at BackOnTrack.in.gov.

Now comes the hard part. As life starts to slowly return to normal, making progress towards being fully back on track will require constant vigilance – from all of us.

As we lift restrictions and more people return to work, visit a store or restaurant, and participate in more

activities, the number of COVID-19 cases will increase.

If we cannot continue to meet our 4 guiding principles, all or portions of the state may need to pause, or even return to an earlier phase of our stay-at-home order.

In other words: this is up to each of us, and all of us."

### BRANCH VISITS OPEN

Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV)

Commissioner Peter L. Lacy announced today a portion of the state's 131 branches will re-open with an appointment only service format beginning Monday, May 4. Customers will be able to schedule an appointment for transactions which are not available online. BMV Connect kiosks located at branches opening by appointment only will also be available.

The BMV has modified its operations to ensure the safety of its employees and customers. To get more information on available transactions and to schedule a branch appointment, customers can go to the BMV website, <https://www.in.gov/bmv/2405.htm>. Customers with verified appointments will be required to check-in upon arrival.

Branch appointments will be limited to the following transactions:

- Knowledge Testing

• Commercial Driver License

• New Driver License/Learner Permit or Identification Card\*

• Amend a Current Driver License/Learner Permit or Identification Card

• Replacement Driver License/Learner Permit or Identification Card

• Title Transfer

• Update to an Existing Title

• New Registration

• Disability Placard

\*Driving skills exams are not available from the BMV at this time.

Part of Executive Order 20-05 waived Administrative Penalty Fees (late fees).

Effectively, this extends expiration dates of registrations, driver's licenses, and identification cards without changing the expiration date printed on documents in an individual's possession and temporarily waives late fees during a future renewal. This same executive order also extends the deadline required to process a title transfer.

The Indiana BMV continues to encourage Hoosiers to complete transactions online, visit a BMV Connect kiosk, by calling the contact center, or through USPS whenever possible. You can read a full list of modifications, closures, and available services on this page:

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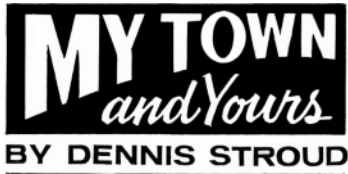


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### MR JONES

The Cabin where Mr. Jones lived was soon replaced by a frame dwelling and for a few years Mr. Jones made a practice of furnishing room and board to the men, who came to buy land or travel to Indianapolis and Fort Wayne, which passed his door.

The first land that Mr. Jones cleared for the plow was on the farm where Martha Stucky now lives. He built a house on the hill, near the present house, and lived there for some time before selling it to Mr. Good, in 1847.

The original homestead, near the bridge, was sold to Eli Mitchell. During Eli's lifetime he built and occupied several different homes. The last one, in which he died, was at the corner of 4th and Wayne street. It was a one-story structure.

From traditions passed down to us concerning this pioneer, Samuel Jones, he was a man of great influence among his neighbors. He was married to Sarah Ruse, who died thirteen years later. He, afterwards, married Nancy Reveal. The children from the first marriage were Silas, Allen, Nancy, Matilda and Lucinda. Children of the second marriage were William, John D., Samuel and Sarah.

The founder of Warren was known as a spirited man who did much for the upbuilding of the community. He was much interested in education and the first school in the township was taught by a teacher who was paid by Mr. Jones to teach his kids and those of some of his neighbors. He lived nearly forty years after coming here and died in 1873. He is buried in the Masonic Cemetery.

### COVID-19 AND MOTHER'S DAY

By Dr. Glenn Mollette  
I wish mom were still here so I could take her out to Sunday dinner. The problem with Sunday dinner this Mother's

Day is that most of the restaurants either won't be open yet or operating under new guidelines. Restaurants make their biggest payday of the year typically on Mother's Day. Even in states that are wide open for dining there is the problem of social distancing. Can you imagine this week going to a restaurant that only is allowed 25% occupancy or maybe 50% occupancy at best? Many states will still be closed tight this Sunday adding further pain to the economic dilemma of business owners across America. For some restaurants being closed this Sunday will be the nail in the coffin of their business.

This year to celebrate mom's day you still can patronize your favorite restaurant by ordering from them and bringing the food back home. This will still take some pressure off mom. Also, insist on cleaning up the mess when it's over. Mom shouldn't have to do this on Mother's Day.

Overall this is the toughest Mother's Day we've had in America during my lifetime. So many millions are struggling financially. Buying a nice meal from a restaurant to take home to feed everyone is a stretch for many. With 70,000 or more deaths now due to Covid-19 this Mother's Day will be the hardest day ever for a lot of families. There will be an empty chair at the table. Millions of Americans have moms in nursing homes. Their moms are in danger of being exposed to Covid-19. People will probably not be able to visit mother because she is in the nursing home. This is painful. There are just so many distressing scenarios being played out around the world. From health care workers who are at risk, to unemployment and a new era of poverty hitting out country, to people just going crazy over social distancing.

The way to celebrate Mother's Day this year is don't forget. Don't distance yourself from this celebration. Honor mom

while you have her. Honor some other mothers too who have been special to you.

When I was a child, I had \$5 my dad gave me for being "brave" to have my tonsils removed. The only thing I wanted to do as a child was to take mom and dad to the local G.C. Murphy's grill. We sat at the bar and we all had hotdogs and cokes that cost me about \$3. My mom didn't want me to spend my \$5 but she smiled when I bought lunch that day as a 7-year-old kid. I would love to have mom back this Sunday and do anything that might make her smile. This Sunday, it could be the simplest thing but give it a try. Mom is worth the effort.

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### S-A TRIP DAY # 6

By Larry Ryan  
Our tour bus left the hotel at 8:45 am. and headed northwest towards the "Hill Country" of central Texas.

Initially, we traveled over and under several elevated roadways, past the large campus of the USAA Insurance Company, past an amusement park constructed in an old stone quarry, and near where David Robinson, a former NBA player lived.

The bus crossed the Guadalupe River and passed the exits for the towns of Boerne ("Burney") and Comfort, Texas. Next came the "Hill Country" town of Fredericksburg which was founded in 1846. All three communities had German immigrants originally. In 1847, these pioneers made a treaty with the Comanche Indians for land acquisition. It is reported that this particular treaty is the only one in the US never to be broken!

Fredericksburg, located at the junction of US 87 & US 290, had a wide, mile long Main Street. The first inhabitants mandated that this street be laid out to accommodate a

### ROLLER

Jack W. Roller, 70, of rural Uniondale, died Wednesday evening, April 29, 2020, at Majestic Care in New Haven after a 20-year battle with ALS.

He was born Aug. 22, 1949, in Wells County to Dallas and Darlene Shively Roller. He married Patty Gerwig in Liberty Center on Aug. 23, 1975, and she survives.

A 1968 graduate of Norwell High School, Mr. Roller was a lifelong farmer and owner and operator of Roller Farms in Wells County. He was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Uniondale and also a member of the Masonic Lodge, Bluffton Lodge 145 F & A.M. He served in the United States Army from 1968 until 1971 during the Vietnam War.

Additional survivors are a daughter, Mandy (Justin) McGuire, of Madison, WI; a sister, Ruth Munson Butcher, of Fort Wayne; a brother, Jim (Cheryl) Roller, of Ossian; and five grandchildren, Jakson Roller, Hudson Roller, Mason Roller, Madeline, McGuire and Josephine McGuire.

He was preceded in death by his son, Nick Roller, in 2019.

Private family services and burial are being held at Horeb Cemetery in Wells County, with Rev. Jarrod Ball officiating.

Goodwin - Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5912 N. Sugar, Uniondale, IN 46791, or Markle Park Foundation, PO Box 306, Markle, IN 46770.

### NUNLEY

Donna S. Nunley, 55, of Bluffton passed away on Saturday afternoon, May 2, 2020, at the Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Donna was born July 20, 1964, in Winder, Ga., to D.P. and Mary Pilktoning. She grew up in the South and moved to Bluffton when she married Rory Nunley on July 31, 1986.

Donna was happiest in life when she was spending time

outdoors. She enjoyed working in the yard and was always ready to go for a drive in the car on a beautiful summer day!

She is survived by her husband, Rory Nunley of Bluffton; her children, Jamie (Amber) White of Atlanta, Ga., Michael A. (Amy) Nunley of Fort Wayne, Franklin Joseph (Kelly) Nunley of Marion, and Dorothy Elizabeth (Jeremy) Paner of Decatur; along with many grandchildren.

Donna was one of nine children and is survived by five sisters — Linda, Betty, Elaine, Angie and Janice.

She was preceded in death by her parents, along with three sisters, Donna Fay, Sandy and Geraldine.

As Donna requested, a private family service will be held at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Rev. Lyle Breeding officiating. Burial will follow at the Mossburg Cemetery in Liberty Center.

Memorials may be made in Donna's memory to the Riley Children's Hospital and can be sent to the funeral home.

The family has entrusted Donna's arrangements to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends are encouraged to share memories and support the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com)

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team of oxen making a U-Turn! There were no visible oxen today, but the 5-lane dimension made one hustle to make it across that expanse when the traffic light changed. Whew!

This town bordered on being a tourist trap with regional merchandise, nice jewelry, and a variety of restaurants. Advertisements for peaches, peach cobbler, and peach pie were in abundance. Of course we had to sample something.

Feeling an obligation to patronize more than one place, we bought pie at one place and a surprisingly, large BBQ sandwich at another. It was impossible to consume the pie after finishing that BBQ! The pie was not forgotten though.

Upon leaving Fredericksburg, we passed Fort Martin Scott and the Texas Rangers Heritage Center before stopping at an original Wildseed Farm. A small packet of lavender seeds appealed to my wife while I found a different, green bean seed, hoping to produce an improved, stringless vegetable. Fingers are crossed!

Our next stop was at the LBJ Ranch near Stonewall, TX. 600 acres of the original ranch, including the "Texas Whitehouse," as the media called it, was donated to the National Park Service in 1972, while the Johnsons still lived there. That was an unusual arrangement, but they wanted the public to enjoy their ranch too. The former president died the following year and Lady Bird lived there until she passed away in 2007 at age of 94. Do you know her given first name?

LBJ was born on the property which was initially owned by his grandfather. At the age of eight he furthered his education at Johnson City to the east. As an adult, he bought the property back from Mrs. Frank Martin.

LBJ loved to have "Cabinet Meetings" on his ranch under a giant oak tree. Today a large limb had broken free and was lying adjacent to the house. We were not allowed

inside due to this unnatural obstacle and other structural considerations.

Something unknown to most people was that LBJ really enjoyed showing dignitaries around his ranch on horseback, driving them in his golf cart, or in the 1934, All-Terrain Hunting Vehicle, a Ford Phoeton. He particularly like to scare

people by abruptly turning and crossing the adjacent Pedernales River in that Ford vehicle on a narrow slab of concrete just below the dam.

After arriving back at the Drury Inn, we left the hotel via a lower level door adjacent to the "River Walk" and got lost trying to find "Bubba Gump's Restaurant." We were trying to save step-climbing. We had to anyway after stopping at another hotel and asking for directions back to the Drury Inn. Our entertainment for the evening—no, not the failed attempt to locate "Bubba Gump's"—was watching, from the 17th floor window, the adjacent construction workers and a crane operator. They were moving large concrete floor-supporting forms from one level to the next floor area and refitting them. It looked dangerous to us!

We will try to locate that elusive restaurant another day.

### Reunion Planned

The Second (Indianhead) Division Association is searching for anyone who served in the Army's 2nd Infantry Division at any time. For information about the association and our 99th annual reunion in Kansas City, Missouri from September 23-27, 2020; visit our website at [www.2ida.org/99th-annual-reunion/](http://www.2ida.org/99th-annual-reunion/) or contact Bob Haynes at [2idahq@comcast.net](mailto:2idahq@comcast.net) and (224) 225-1202.

### Giving Tuesday

HVAF of Indiana, Inc. is responding to meet the needs of homeless and at-risk veterans by participating in the global

#GivingTuesdayNow campaign.

#GivingTuesdayNow is a new global day of giving and unity that will take place on May 5, 2020 – in addition to the regularly scheduled Dec 1, 2020 #GivingTuesday – as an emergency response to the unprecedented need caused by COVID-19.

"In these unprecedented times, it will take our entire community to make sure the most vulnerable among us are taken care of," said Emmy Hildebrand, VP of Strategy, "I'm so grateful to everyone pitching in to donate to support our veterans."

1 out of every 3 homeless in our nation are veterans making our mission to "Provide Hope, Housing, and self-sufficiency for all veterans and their families" even more meaningful during this time of crisis. In order to continue to support our Hoosier Heroes, we are asking that people join us on May 5th in 3 different ways: Putting together hygiene kits for our veterans and posting about it on social media. Participating in a virtual clothing drive by purchasing new essential clothing for our veterans.

Donating money or becoming a monthly donor to support the growing demand for our services: [www.hvaf.org/donate/](http://www.hvaf.org/donate/)

"Every little bit helps. Our needs during this crisis are not unique but the clients we serve are. In the simplest terms, we need nonperishable food, money, and new underwear. I'm also asking our patriotic supporters to sign up as sustaining monthly donors at a \$10, \$20, or \$50 level," said Brian Copes, President and CEO of HVAF, "This crisis will be with us for a long time and we will need your continued support. Thanks in advance for whatever you're able to do to support our veterans and this agency."

Those interested in joining HVAF of Indiana, Inc.'s #GivingTuesdayNow efforts can visit our event page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/929141564195735/>.

For more details about the GivingTuesday movement, visit the GivingTuesday website ([www.givingtuesday.org](http://www.givingtuesday.org)),

Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/GivingTuesday>) or follow @GivingTuesday and #GivingTuesdayNow on Twitter. For youth interested in joining the movement, visit [GivingTuesdayKids.org](http://GivingTuesdayKids.org) for inspiration and project ideas.

About HVAF of Indiana, Inc. HVAF of Indiana, Inc. is a not for profit agency that has a mission to eliminate homelessness among veterans and their families through education, preventive, supportive services, and advocacy. HVAF offers veterans and their family members the counseling and resources they need to become self-sufficient. Transitional and permanent housing is provided to homeless veterans each day through various homes and apartment complexes in Central Indiana. Additional services offered to homeless and at-risk veterans in the community include rent and utility assistance, employment counseling and placement, legal support, and access to onsite food, hygiene, and clothing pantries.

### DON'T LET THE KIDS DRIVE YOU CRAZY

from the American Counseling Association One result of the health crisis has been a great many parents getting to spend a lot more home-time with their kids. While situations vary around the country, many school systems have ceased classroom instruction for the year. Instead, kids may be doing online classes, while complaining and trying to sneak in as much TV, cell phone and video game time as possible each day.

However, you can help minimize the complaining, the goofing off, and your own headaches, by taking action to make home-time more productive.

A starting point is having a real plan for your child's day.

Experts recommended making a schedule sheet to hang on the wall or fridge where you and the kids can see what happens throughout the day and week. In school kids have set times for math, English or history lessons. Your home-time should be the same to help move the learning process forward and minimize arguments.

It's also important to offer choices. Reading time doesn't have to mean picking up the same book or story each day. Give your child a selection to choose from. This same sort of approach can work for art projects, writing lessons or virtually any subject.

Math studies, for example, might include lessons from a math book some days, but could also include practical math projects around the house. Does your child know how to measure and calculate the square feet in his or her bedroom? Can he or she figure out how to change that recipe to increase or decrease the number of cookies it will make? Then how about going right from there into a delicious baking session?

The opportunities to learn around the house are endless. Your backyard is probably filled with budding plants, small bugs or places to plant a few seeds, all part of science learning. What about helping your child put together a family history (writing project) or family tree project (research and art)? And yes, there are art projects for most kids, regardless of their age.

Kids are very social creatures, and being stuck at home with Mom and Dad (and maybe siblings) for any extended period isn't as much fun as hanging with friends, or even being back in school. But with a little planning and effort, parents can help fill up the days in productive ways to help make the time go faster and to minimize the complaining.

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### 8 TIPS FOR AVOIDING CREDIT CARD DEBT

(StatePoint) Americans' credit card debt totaled \$930 billion in the fourth quarter of 2019, a \$46 billion increase over the third quarter, according to recent data from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. At the same time, the proportion of borrowers whose credit card payments were 90 days late or later increased to the highest percentage recorded in almost eight years.

Credit cards come with a certain amount of risk, and growing debt can cause problems ranging from stress and depression to a poor credit score and reduced retirement savings. But when used wisely, credit cards can be a helpful tool for managing personal finances and building credit.

Here are eight tips for staying out of credit card trouble:

1. Create and stick to a budget. This will help ensure you are not spending more money on your credit cards than you can pay off at the end of every month.

2. Remember that your credit limit is not money in the bank. When you pay with a card, you must have money

available elsewhere to pay for the purchase.

3. Sign up to receive text alerts whenever your credit card is swiped. These alerts will help you monitor how frequently you use your card and remind you that, while not immediate, money is being spent.

4. Keep your credit card bills organized, be aware of payment due dates and maintain regular payment schedules to avoid ballooning debt, and protect or even improve your credit score.

5. Set up automatic credit card payments from your bank account so you'll never be late. If you're not sure you'll always have enough to pay in full, set an automatic payment for the minimum amount due, which will also remind you to pay the bill in total. You might even consider paying your bill every two weeks to keep closer tabs on your spending.

6. If you need help minimizing your credit card use, consider contacting a credit bureau to freeze your credit. You can even freeze your credit via smartphone apps. You can always deactivate the freeze when you truly need to use credit for a big purchase or in an emergency.

7. Delete your saved credit card information from accounts with merchants such as iTunes or Amazon. Taking the time to enter payment information manually means more time to consider a purchase before completing your order, which

can reduce the likelihood of overspending.

8. Consider keeping your credit cards in a secure location that is not your wallet. If you do not carry your credit cards around with you, you are less likely to use them.

A Certified Financial Planner (CFP) professional can help you manage your spending without accumulating credit card debt. To find a CFP professional near you, visit www.letsmakeaplan.org.

By sticking with a budget and staying on top of bill payments, you can avoid the stress and financial consequences of credit card debt.

### LEARNING AT HOME: 5 TIPS FOR TEACHING CHILDREN FINANCIAL LITERACY

(StatePoint) If you have school-age children, you are probably one of the many parents facing the challenge of educating your kids at home. While there are countless learning options available—from virtual music classes to videos about zoo animals—financial literacy is one important subject that should not be overlooked.

Teaching your children financial literacy gives them the knowledge, skills and motivation to responsibly manage their money and achieve their future goals. Learning fundamental financial concepts is not always easy, so experts recommend that you start with the basics. Here are a few ideas to get you started:

- Explain that there are three things you can do with money: spend it, save it or give it away. To illustrate the point and introduce them to budgeting, have your child divide up money they receive from gifts or an allowance. Have them pay themselves first by putting a certain amount into savings. Then teach them the importance of giving by having them donate a portion of their funds to a charity of their choosing. Allow them to spend the rest.

- Help them distinguish between needs and wants. With older children, you can do this by giving them shopping practice. You could give them a list of things they need, like new clothes, and a budget to shop for these items online. They will have to decide how best to use their limited resources. Should they buy the designer jeans they really want or a lower-priced option that lets them get everything on their list? With younger children, you might instead have them compare the costs of preparing meals at home (food being a need) to ordering from a restaurant (a want).

- Give them firsthand experience with saving money. Many banks let you open savings accounts online. Set one up in your child's name and have them monitor it. By the time they become teenagers, the benefit of saving regularly will be apparent because they will have some money to spend on clothes, food and experiences with friends—and still save for college.

- Involve them in creating a financial mission statement for your family. Ask them what they think is important: Is it planning for a future vacation, saving for college or other goals? Having an open conversation with your children encourages them to think about the meaning of money, the challenge of earning it and the importance of saving for what they truly value.

- Underscore the importance of giving. Explaining to children that other people have less than

they do and teaching them to give and volunteer helps develop financial discipline as well as empathy toward others. This will help them stay focused on what is truly important, which can have a profound impact on their finances and every other aspect of their lives.

For more tips like these, visit letsmakeaplan.org. Your Certified Financial Planner professional can also suggest educational resources for teaching your children financial literacy.

To make the most of your time with your children while they are at home, reinforce the practical life skill of good money management.

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man cave "stuff" a week or better to get it all ready for the sale. You would never guess how many times I instructed my husband that if it ever got that bad at our house....so now that brings it back to why we are spring cleaning. Lol

Now I can't blame it all on him, because I too have a room upstairs, in fact 2 rooms that really need to be gone through and of course one of these days I WILL get them organized. It's just not the right time yet. Lol

Have a good week and just maybe I'll start a new article for the other weeks I don't write "Life in a Small Town". Been thinking about it so I might just try it if Nicki approves. We will see how that fares out. Until then enjoy this spring weather and hope that we can be more social with each other in the upcoming month.

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