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Thought for the Week: Turns out if you never lie, there's always someone mad at you. Scott Westerfeld



ENTERTAINED BY NED

Salamonie School students were treated to a visit from The NED Show on Feb. 8. The NED Show is a program that combines a message with yo-yos, humor, and student participation to teach students how to develop three characteristics involved in becoming champions at school and life: NED stands for N-never give up, E-encourage others, and D-do your best.

AG DINNER

The Agribusiness Division of MarkleBank will hold its annual dinner on Tuesday, February 22 at 6:00 p.m. The event will be held at Lighted Gardens in Ossian which is located at 10794 N State Road 1. Immediately following dinner Dr. Brent Gloy from Purdue University will be speaking on "Managing in Volatile Times". There will also be a drawing for door prizes. MarkleBank would like to thank their ag customers for their business and they invite the local agribusiness community to attend.

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Alliance Banks, headquartered in Fort Wayne, Indiana. MarkleBank currently operates seven full-service community banking centers, the main office in Markle, two offices in Bluffton, one in Warren, Huntington, Fort Wayne, and Van Buren.

FISH & CHICKEN

Huntington County Council on Aging will host their annual Fish & Chicken Supper (by Dan's Fish Fry Services) on Friday, February 18 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be held at the Knight Bergman Center in Warren.

Tickets are \$8.25 for adults, \$4.25 for children 6-12 and

Free for children under 5. Carry-out will be available.

Tickets are available at the Senior Center or from any Board Member. For more information, call 260.359.4410.

DAFFODIL DAYS

How welcome are the signs of spring after this chilly winter and fluffy snow. Will be making early contacts via phone and e-mail so I can provide the American Cancer Society's request as to how many to order.

Those beautiful trumpets of gold are grown in Oregon and certainly demonstrate the hope in our hearts for a cure. They will be delivered in town on Thursday, the 17th of March by the same caring couple that delivered them last year, Allen & Carol Morehead. As before, will again have our Friday sale, at the Cove at Heritage Pointe, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., same price of \$10.00 per bunch of 10 lovely blossoms. Vases are available at \$5.00. Contacts are: Lilly Nutter (your Daffodil Lady of 12 years) - Phone (260) 375-2095 (have voice mail); e-mail if that is more convenient for you- lillylincoln@webtv.net. Carol Morehead, (260) 375-4999; acmor@citiznet.com Looking forward to hearing from you and again thanking you for the years of support. Was told Warren purchased 25% of daffodils for Huntington County! Truly is the little town with the big heart.

SPRING WORKSHOP

Courtyard Studio is taking reservations for the Spring Wreath Workshop, to be held on Monday, March 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All supplies are included and a tasty lunch will be provided with a great chocolate dessert. The workshops are a great day away to create something fun in a relaxed atmosphere - bring a friend.

In May, a mother, daughter, friend workshop will be offered. Also, Ruth and Carole are offering "tween" art parties: a great way to celebrate a birthday or any special occasion.

JUST ARRIVED: historical cards by Warren's Chella Heaton Gonsvales.

Courtyard Studio is located at 223 Wayne Street; Business hours are Thursday and Friday 10:00 - 5:00 p.m., Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Please call Ruth at 260/750-1798 for reservations or any questions.

SW vs K-105

Southern Wells teachers, coaches, bus drivers and administrative staff will take on the K-105 personalities in a lively game of basketball.

The SW Raider Ropers will perform at 6:30 p.m. with Game time at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 22nd in the Raider Dome! There is a \$3.00 admission fee. Concessions at the game will include pizza.

Proceeds from this event, hosted by the Athletic Boosters, benefit the Scholarship Fund.

So come on out, watch the

fun and support the scholarship fund - all at the same time!

SCREENING FAIR

Kindergarten Screening Fair for all children who will be enrolled in Huntington County Kindergarten classes for the 2011 - 2012 school year. The fair will be held at the Huntington PAL Club on March 8th and 9th. March 8th from 1:00 - 7:00 P.M. March 9th from 8:00 - 4:00 P.M. Children will be able to receive FREE immunizations, dental screening, and vision screening. Parents should bring their child's immunization records and legal birth certificate. If parents have any questions they may contact the nurse in their school district.

ATTN: KINDERGARTEN

PARENTS

If you have a child who will be attending Kindergarten at Salamonie School for the 2011 - 2012 school year, please call the Salamonie School office at 375-3434. We would like to obtain information about your child so that we may send them an invitation to our Kindergarten Orientation that will be held April 27th at 6:00 P.M. In order to be eligible for Kindergarten, your child must be 5 years old on or before August 1, 2011.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

CONGRATULATIONS

To the Lady Raiders of Southern Wells High School for capturing their 5th consecutive sectional crown! They travel to Tri-Central to take on Lafayette Central Catholic on Saturday Morning in Regional competition!

CONGRATULATIONS

HNHS Varsity Singers – Grand Champion win in Show Choir and Concert Choir at Norwell High School invitational!

CONGRATULATIONS

Barry Jamison and the Heartland Chamber Chorale based in Fort Wayne. They performed at the Kennedy Center on Valentine's Day for a televised production.

What's So Great About Reading at Any Age?

by V Neil Wyrick

The internet is full of knowledge about various health conditions, but it's of no use to people who cannot interpret what they have just read. Practice may not truly make perfect but it sure does improve imperfection.

Directions. Driving down an expressway at 70 miles an hour while trying to interpret signs at a one-mile-an-hour retention rate is a poor combination. In short, don't dash toward a crash because you can't heed what you can't read.

The more a child or adult reads the better they understand what they read and in many cases the very act of reading makes it easier and therefore more fun.

What can a parent do?

Read out loud from time to time. Not because you are in love with the sound of your own voice but because such reading is a remarkably good teacher of improved pronunciation and grammar.

Reading improves vocabulary and saves both you and your listeners from speaking skills that rate just slightly above "Duh."

You gave your child a carpet for their bedroom. Give them a magic carpet for their minds and in case your own bedroom is bare, go for two new carpets immediately.

With movies you watch a screen. With reading you are in and on the screen of imagination.

E-books have an added advantage. They enhance anyone's motor skills and eye hand coordination. As you pick, type, click scroll and otherwise respond to the screen all kind of little neurons start to get a smile on their faces.

One of the best comments on the importance of reading I have yet to read, "Good children's literature appeals not only to the child in the adult, but to the adult in the child."

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..... 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
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CWF Ladies (3 Tue) 6:00 p.m.

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Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.
Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
Sunday School 10:30a.m.

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

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2nd Worship 10:30 a.m.

HERITAGE POINTE

Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
Chapel Services 9:00 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.

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES

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Sunday School 9:30am
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Wed. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

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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

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship 9:55a.m.

Worship 10:15a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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Pastor Devin Cook
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

MCNATT UNITED METHODIST

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Bill VanHaften, Pastor

Lois Slusher, Supt.
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
Tony Johnson - Pastor

Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.

Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN

Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.

PLUM TREE

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

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Fellowship 9:15 a.m.

Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 11 to 11:40 a.m.

Youth:

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Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

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

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Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Sunday School Classes 9:30 am

Youth Group 6:00 pm

Sunday Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm

Thurs. Bible Study 7:00 pm

AREA NEWS

BASEBALL INFO

The Warren Baseball & Softball League would like to announce they are starting a new web site for the 2011 season. The old myspace site is being discontinued. You can now find us on facebook, by searching Warren Baseball/Softball Community Organization. If you "like" the site, you will automatically get all rain-out notices and special announcements from the league. As on the old site you will find all rules, schedules, sign-up forms, etc. in the photos of this site. The site will be built this season with all 2011 information being put in as it is collected. You can also e-mail to wbleague@citiznet.com with any questions, or concerns you might have. Practices will begin on April 18th this season with games beginning on May 16th.

SPELLING WINNERS

The Salamonie 5th graders competed in a spelling bee on Thursday, January 20th. Jarret Gray won the spelling bee by correctly spelling the word 'nectar.' Maggie Winters was the runner-up.

Jarret is the son of Nick and Kelly Gray, Warren.

Maggie is the daughter of Bruce and Marcella Winters, Warren.

SIGMA PHI

Beta Delta chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma held their February meeting on Feb 8th, a week late due to havoc that the weather has been having. President Jenny Plummer opened the meeting with the members repeating the creed. All officer and committee reports were given.

Delegates were elected to attend the Alpha Province meeting to be held on a weekend in March at Logansport, In. Jenny Plummer and Carol Irick will represent our chapter with Beth Ostermeyer as alternate.

The guests attending our guest party will be issued a invitation to pledge to our chapter.

Work papers were passed for our March Sunday Luncheon held at the Knight-Bergman Center on March 6th serving from 11:00 til 1:00. We will be serving baked steak and roast pork, baked potatoes, vegetables, slaw, jello, pie and drinks. Come and have a great lunch.

Those attending were Sandy Booher, Opal Brubaker, Sandy Eichhorn, Sharon Gebhart, Carol Irick, Beth Ostermeyer, Betty Yoder, Sondra Zabel, Claudia Boxell, Tara Korporeal, Jenny Plummer, Kathy Ralston and Susan Ralston.

DEAN'S LIST

Huntington University has announced the students that were named to the Dean's List for the fall semester.

The Dean's List is published two times per year at Huntington University. The honor recognizes students for outstanding academic achievement during the previous semester. Honorees must be classified as regular students, be enrolled full-time with a load of 12 hours or more in graded courses, and must achieve a semester grade point average of at least 3.50 on a four-point scale.

The following students from our area were recognized:

Mr. Timothy Russell McCoy, a sophomore Management major from Warren, IN.

Ms. Kelsey Marie Green, a senior Mathematics Education major from Van Buren, IN.

Ms. Rachel Noelle Arndt, a freshman Nursing major from Warren, IN.

Huntington University is a comprehensive Christian college of the liberal arts offering graduate and undergraduate programs in more than 70 academic concentrations. U.S. News & World Report ranks Huntington among the Best Baccalaureate Colleges and Best Values in Baccalaureate Colleges in the Midwest region. Founded in 1897 by the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Huntington University is located on a contemporary, lakeside campus in northeast Indiana.

The University is a member of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU).

HELP KIDS

You can help cover field trip expenses to state parks and reservoirs for the state's schoolchildren in three new ways by donating to the "Discovering the Outdoors Fund" in the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation. The fund helps activities led by DNR interpretive naturalists. The three new options are listed below. Each can be reached at www.stateparks.IN.gov/2923.htm.

– Outside Magazine

A \$10 donation is made for every customer who subscribes to *Outside* magazine before the end of 2011. *Outside* magazine promotes worldwide outdoor adventure.

– DirecTV

Any customer who signs up for DirecTV service through March 31, and uses a special code provided for Indiana, will get the best in market pricing (a \$120 savings) and state parks will get \$50. Of that total, \$40 will go to Indiana's state park system, and \$10 will go to the newly created America's State Parks Foundation, which supports all state park systems. Sign up online or by calling 1-877-214-9577. Use the code INPARKS when prompted.

– Green Boot App

Hiking, running or even walking

around the house or office with your iPhone can generate a donation from Green Boot. Download a free app to get started. Like a pedometer, the app records the user's steps. The more steps you take the more Indiana's state parks and reservoirs gets. The donations come from ad revenue. Green Boot supports green initiatives and charities through interactive media exposure. The company allocates 15 percent of its annual proceeds to protecting parks, wetlands and other habitat.

To make a donation directly to the "Discovering the Outdoors Fund," call Bourke Patton of the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation at (317) 233-1002, or go to www.IndianaNRF.org (list the fund name with your donation).

TEEN MOVIE DAY

Teens on the Town, a program from Pathfinder Community Supports will be continuing activities for teenagers in March. On Saturday, March 12th Teens on the Town will be attending a movie at the Huntington 7, 350 Haunstein Road in Huntington. The time and movie is yet to be determined as the movie schedule will not be available until Thursday, March 10th. The program focuses on teens, ages 13 to 22 who are currently attending special needs programs at the middle and high school level.

The cost of the movie is \$5.00, but if teens would like a snack they should bring additional money. Parents are responsible for dropping off

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Community Calendar

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

Feb 16 Feb 21 Feb 21 Mar 2 Mar 2 Mar 14 Mar 15 Mar 26	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. President's Day KBC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., at KBC Chamber of Commerce Lunch, noon - Assembly Hall Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Banquo Fish/Tenderloin Supper, 4:30 - 7:30 at Banquo Christian Church Mt Zion Fish Fry <i>Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC</i> <i>Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus</i>
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and picking up their teen at the Huntington 7.

Space is limited, so please call today! Reservations must be made by Monday, March 7th, 2011 by calling Jamie Lewark at Pathfinder Services at 260-356-0500 Ext. 3113 or 800-833-1571 or e-mailing Jamie at jl Lewark@pathfinderservices.org.

HOMESCHOOL PHYS ED

Huntington University's Department of Physical Education is offering a physical education program for children ages 4 through 5th grade this spring.

The department will have nine sessions from February to April. Class time is from 1:15 to 2 p.m. in the field house of the university's Merillat Complex for Physical Education and Recreation. The dates for the sessions are Feb. 24, March 3, March 10, March 24, March 31, April 7, April 14, April 21 and April 28.

This service is available to all area homeschooled children in elementary grades, including students from Huntington and surrounding counties. The class is free to all participants.

Children who attended the PE program last semester do not need to re-register. Those children new to the program will need to arrive a few minutes early on Feb. 24 for registration. Children may join the program at any time throughout the course of the semester.

Huntington University students conducting the elementary physical education class are either physical education majors or elementary education majors. Curriculum development and supervision of the classes are provided by Dr. Jody Davenport, instructor of physical education.

For more information, contact Davenport at jdavenport@huntington.edu or (260) 359-4214.

FORECLOSURE PREVENTION

Pathfinder Community Connections, the Community Development division of Pathfinder Services, continues to offer Free Foreclosure Counseling services in 14 counties throughout Northeast Indiana.

"We continue to see a great need for this service in the counties we serve due to the difficult economical situation we are living in," states Jan Baumgartner, Director of Pathfinder Community Connections. "I encourage families that worry at night because they are late on their mortgage payments, or families that are starting to fall behind on their bills to give us a call because we can help for FREE," Baumgartner added.

Pathfinder Community Connections began offering Foreclosure Counseling in 2007 and last year alone assisted 694 families in receiving foreclosure assistance, a 49% increase from 2009.

The program offers services including: one on one confidential counseling, budgeting assistance, review of the families current financial situation, assistance in contacting lenders to renegotiate loans, assisting in preventing foreclosure of the family home, and support during the foreclosure process.

Pathfinder Community Connection foreclosure prevention counseling services are offered in the following counties: Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Jay, Kosciusko, Lagrange, Marshall, Noble, Starke, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley.

For more information on the program please contact Vickie Evans at 866-892-0513 or at vevans@pathfinderservices.org. Pathfinder Community Connections Foreclosure Counseling office is located at 3326 South Calhoun Street Suite 102 in Fort Wayne, and the Huntington office is located at 2824 Theater Avenue in Huntington.

EAGLE WATCH

View bald eagles in the wild, Feb. 18-20 during the annual Upper Wabash Eagle Watch. Plenty of spots are still available Feb. 18 and Feb. 20.

The sessions begin with a talk about bald eagles at the interpretive center. Then, travel to popular eagle spots. The journey will end up at a nearby roost site so guests can watch the bald eagles fly in for the night.

On Feb. 18, participants will meet at the Salamonie Interpretive Center at 5 p.m. and travel by caravan to the roost site, with one stop along the way. This evening is organized for those who are unable to invest the entire afternoon. Coffee will be available at the roost site for a small donation.

On Feb. 19 and 20, participants will meet at the interpretive center at 3 p.m. and caravan to several locations on the way to the roost. Once there, the Wabash Valley Coonhunters Association will offer a bowl of chili, coffee or hot chocolate for a \$3 donation.

"Sunday's trip on Feb. 20 has the greatest number of openings at this time. Visitors will enjoy smaller caravans as we follow each other to the viewing sites and will also benefit from two prior days of scouting for the eagle locations currently being used by these awesome birds," said Lynnanne Fager, interpretive naturalist.

Participants should dress for the weather and bring binoculars if they have them, as well as any snacks or drinks, and a full tank of gas. Donations will gladly be accepted for the raptor center and for the refreshments. There is no fee for the program.

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

To register, call (260) 468-2127 or visit the Salamonie Interpretive Center in the Lost Bridge West Recreation Area, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews, IN 46702.

For more information, visit the Upper Wabash Reservoirs Interpretive Services website at www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis.

HOMEOWNERSHIP CLASSES

Pathfinder Community Connections, the Community Development division of Pathfinder Services, will be holding two, four hour classes focused on reviewing everything people need to know to become successful home buyers and home owners on Thursday, February 17th and Thursday, February 24th. The classes will take place from 5:30 P.M. until 9:30 P.M. at Pathfinder Community Connections Huntington office located at 2824 Theater Avenue in Huntington.

The Home Buyer Education classes of Pathfinder Community Connections includes information such as:

- Is owning a home right for you?
- Steps in the home buying process,
- What is a mortgage?
- Other costs of home ownership,
- How much house can you afford,
- Improving your credit score,
- Shopping for the right lender and loan product,
- Definitions of: escrow, appraisal, and equity,
- How to be a good neighbor

"It is important to educate potential home owners on what it takes to buy and maintain a home," stated Natalie Fisher, Homeownership Education Coordinator for Pathfinder Community Connections. "Potential home buyers who qualify for our program include those who have never owned a home, have not owned a home in the past three years, have always rented or lived with family members, or are in the process of selling their home. We also want to talk to families who want to own a home but believe they cannot afford it, because in many cases they can!" Fisher concluded.

Pathfinder Community Connections customers can take Home Buyer Education classes free of charge. For those who are not a Pathfinder

Community Connections customer the cost is \$100 for both classes. For more information or to register for the classes please contact Natalie Fisher at Pathfinder Community Connections at (260) 356-0521 Ext. 3213 or e-mail her at nfisher@pathfinderservices.org.

Pathfinder Community Connections follows the NeighborWorks America curriculum, "Realizing the American Dream", which is used by home buyer educators across the United States.

NEW CERTIFICATES AT IVY

TECH

The Indiana Commission for Higher Education (CHE) has granted approval for Ivy Tech Community College to offer 20 new certificates in the Schools of Education, Health Sciences, Public and Social Services, and Technology.

"These new certificates are a convenient option for our students," said Dr. Mary Ostrye, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs at Ivy Tech. "This is a solution for many students who, under certain circumstances, are not able to complete a full degree but still need a credential for employment. All career certificates are designed to prepare students for a nationally-recognized certification, and all credits count towards meeting the requirements of a related associate degree. This stackable credential will prepare students for immediate employment and at the same time, position them to return to Ivy Tech to achieve future career goals without losing credits."

Ivy Tech has continued to grow statewide in the amount of career certificates students earn. In 2007, 348 certificates were awarded, and in 2010, 542 certificates were awarded.

The newly approved certificates include:

Early Childhood Education: Child Development Associate (CDA) Certificate - The CDA Certificate leads to taking the National Child Development

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Associate Certificate Exam, employment in an early childhood education profession, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Early Childhood Education: Indiana Youth Development Certificate - The Indiana Youth Development Certificate leads to taking the Indiana Youth Development Certification Exam, employment in an early childhood education profession, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Automotive Technology: Diesel Electronic Controls Certificate - The Diesel Electronic Controls Certificate leads to taking the ASE Medium/Heavy Truck Technician T-6 Electrical/Electronic Systems Exam, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Automotive Technology: Truck Chassis Systems Certificate - The Truck Chassis Systems Certificate leads to taking the ASE Medium/Heavy Truck Technician T-5 Suspension and Steering and T-8 Preventive Maintenance Inspection Exams, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Automotive Technology: Alternative Fuels Certificate - Prepares students for the ASE F-1 Alternate Fuels Exam and the CSA CNG Fuel System Inspector Exam.

Automotive Technology: Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Certificate - Prepares students for the ASE A-6 Automotive Electrical/Electronic Systems Exam, the New H-9 Transit Bus Hybrid Vehicle Exam and the NAFTC First Responder Hybrid Electric Vehicle Safety Training.

Electronics and Computer Technology: Automation Controls Certificate - The Automation Controls Certificate leads to employment as a PLC and/or industrial maintenance technician. Certificate credits apply to an associate degree. Completion of the associate degree is required to sit for the Instrumentation Systems and Automation Society (ISA) Certification Exam.

Hospitality: Culinarian

Certificate - The Culinarian Certificate leads to National Certification as a Certified Culinarian through the American Culinary Federation, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Hospitality: Hospitality Management Certificate - The Hospitality Management Certificate leads to National Certification in ManageFirst Professional with 800 hours of work experience in the field, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Hospitality: Certified Pastry Culinarian Certificate - The Certified Pastry Culinarian Certificate leads to National Certification as a Certified Pastry Culinarian through the American Culinary Federation, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Human Services: Elder Care Professional Certificate - The Elder Care Professional Certificate leads to certification as an Indiana Health Care Associate Activities Director and Social Services designee, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Human Services: Direct Support Professional Certificate - The Direct Support Professional Certificate leads to various levels of certification as a Disability Support Professional, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree. Successful completion of the Foundations of Direct Support Professionals course leads to certification as a Disability Support Specialist and qualifies a person to be employed in a state disability agency.

Human Services: Substance Abuse Certificate - The Substance Abuse Certificate leads to NADAC Counselor and Training certification, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Medical Assisting: Medical Transcription Certificate - The Medical Transcription Certificate leads to taking the American Association of

Medical Transcriptionist Exam, employment in a medical assisting profession, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Paramedic: Basic Emergency Medical Studies Certificate - The Basic Emergency Medical Studies Certificate leads to Indiana Emergency Medical Technician Basic Skills Certification and National Registry Basic Written Certification, employment, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Public Safety: Driver/Operator Certificate - The Driver/Operator Certificate leads to taking the National Fire Protection Association Driver/Operator, Indiana State EMS, or First Responder Certification Exam, employment in a fire science profession, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Public Safety: Fire Prevention and Investigation Certificate - The Fire Prevention and Investigation Certificate leads to taking the National Fire Protection Association Inspector I, Inspector II, and/or Indiana Fire Protection Association Investigator I Certification Exam, employment in an arson, insurance adjuster, fire investigator or other fire science professions, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Public Safety: Fire Service Administration Certificate - The Fire Service Administration Certificate

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BROWN

Life-long

farmer, Edwin V. Brown, 89, of Bluffton and formerly of Montpelier, passed away Monday, February 14, 2011 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Born in Wells County, on September 8, 1921, he was the son of William and Pearl (Marker) Brown who preceded him in death. He married Emojean (Inskeep) in Liberty Center on November 25, 1943 and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Darrell Brown (wife: Connie) of Montpelier, Marvin Brown (wife: Mary) of Terre Haute; four daughters, Gloria Osborn (husband: Bruce) of Bellevue, Washington, Marcia Davey (husband: Tom) of West Lafayette, Indiana, Cindy Young (husband: James) of Thousand Oaks, California, and Sandra Brown of Terre Haute. He is also survived by 27 grandchildren and 18 Great-grandchildren all of which he called "George".

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by six brothers, Harold Brown, Earl Brown, Howard Brown, Clyde Brown, Joy Brown, and Everett Sawyer.

Ed graduated from Montpelier High School in 1939 and earned a B.S. Degree in Agriculture from Purdue University in 1943. He was a World War II U.S. Army Veteran serving his country for



3 ½ years. He joined the military in May of 1943 and served in the South Pacific as a Lab Technician with the 132nd General Hospital.

Ed taught school for ten years in Wells County having served at Liberty Center, Rock Creek, and Petroleum schools. He taught junior high and high school Ag Science and was a 4-H leader.

Ed served as District Conservationist of SCS in 1959 being the first person to have served in that position in Jay County. He worked in SCS for over 20 years in Blackford, Jay, and Vigo Counties retiring in 1981 to move back to the family farm in Blackford County. Ed also served as Surveyor in Blackford County. He was a member of the Bethel Church of Bluffton, the Ostomy Club of Muncie, the Cancer society of Blackford County, Montpelier VFW Post and the Montpelier American Legion.

Calling hours are 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday at Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Funeral service is at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home with Pastor Pat Harris officiating. Burial will be in Alberson Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the American Legion Post and the U.S. Army Honor Guard. Preferred memorials are to the Bethel Church. Online condolences may be made at www.thomarich.com.

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leads to taking a National Fire Protection Association Fire Officer I, Fire Officer II and Fire Officer III Certification Exams, employment in a fire science profession, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Public Safety: Hazardous Materials Certificate - The Hazardous Materials Certificate leads to taking the National Fire Protection Association Awareness, Operations Technician Certification Exam, employment in a public safety related profession, and/or completion of an associate degree.

Respiratory Care: Polysomnography Certificate - The Polysomnography Certificate leads to eligibility requirements to sit for the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technology (BRPT) exam. A minimum of 6 to 18 months work experience in the field is also required to sit for the exam.

Ivy Tech Community College is the state's largest public postsecondary institution and the nation's largest singly accredited statewide community college system serving nearly 200,000 students annually. Ivy Tech has campuses throughout Indiana. It serves as the state's engine of workforce development, offering affordable degree programs and training that are aligned with the needs of its

community along with courses and programs that transfer to other colleges and universities in Indiana. It is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association.

FARM LADIES WORKSHOP

The Purdue Extension Women in Agriculture Team has set winter program opportunities for farm women. A Risk Management Education for Farm Women workshop will be hosted by Extension offices in Allen, Kosciusko, and Tipton counties on five dates in March.

The workshops will feature three main seminars on the topics of succession planning on March 24 & 31, commodity marketing on March 29 and financial risk management on March 10 & 17. Participants are able to pick which sessions that they wish to attend.

The goal of the March 10 and 17 seminars is to increase understanding of income statements and balance sheets while identifying ways to solve individual farm issues. Session leaders will use case studies, and each person will receive interactive spreadsheets during the first session.

Discussion points for the two-part succession planning seminar on March 24 & 31, led by Purdue Extension agricultural economist Angela Gloy, include transferring management responsibility, strategies for dealing with family conflict and choosing the right legal help.

On March 29, Purdue Extension agricultural economist Corinne Alexander will present the commodity marketing workshop. She will examine producers' fluctuating incomes, introduce pricing tools and teach marketing strategies.

For a complete list of workshop details, dates and registration deadlines visit www.agriculture.purdue.edu/wia or www.extension.purdue.edu/allen.

The registration fee is \$25 per person per workshop or \$50 for all three. The price will include all refreshments and resource materials. The first

registration deadline is March 3.

Another opportunity for farm women to network and obtain information is the 10th annual Women in Agriculture conference. Sessions at this conference will help participants build their businesses and become stronger advocates for agriculture. The conference will be Feb. 24-25 at the Sheraton Louisville Riverside Hotel, 700 W. Riverside Dr., Jeffersonville.

The cost is \$140 for both days of the conference or \$115 for one. The fee includes lunch both days and dinner the first. Lodging is not included in the registration fee. There will be a room block available for conference attendants at the hotel.

To register or for more information about this conference, visit the Purdue University Women in Agriculture website at <http://www.agriculture.purdue.edu/wia>

If you have questions about any of these programs or if you would like copies of brochures, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

HS ART EXHIBIT

Huntington University will host its sixth annual High School Art Exhibit from Feb. 28 through March 10 in the Robert E. Wilson Gallery on campus.

The exhibit features works from high school students in Northeast Indiana. Each student who participates can enter up to three pieces in any medium. This is a juried show, and prizes will be given for first, second and third places. There will also be a Best of Show award given for the best overall piece. The awards reception will take place from 6 to 7:30 p.m. March 5.

The Wilson Gallery is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., before and after all Merillat Centre for the Arts performances and by appointment. The gallery is

free and open to the public.

4-H TRACTOR MEETINGS

Huntington County 4-H Tractor club meetings will begin on Monday, February 28th at Dennis Grain, 587 E 800 N, Huntington, 7:00-8:30 pm. It is helpful for parents to also attend this first meeting to assist in completing the 4-H Club enrollment paperwork and required signatures. Four additional meetings will be held:

- Tuesday, March 8 at Heritage Hall, Hier's Park
- Monday, March 14 at Koenig Equipment, State Road 9 North
- Monday, March 21 at Wertenberger Tire, 1400 S Jefferson, Huntington
- Monday, March 28 at Doug Carroll's home, 11306 N 900 W, Huntington

The 4-H Tractor program provides youth with educational information about tractors and small engines. Youth may choose to focus on small tractors (lawn & garden) or larger tractors (farm / agriculture). In both categories, youth will learn a variety of skills related to engine operation, electrical systems, safe operation of equipment, and parts identification. Youth will also have the opportunity to participate in the Huntington County 4-H Tractor Operators Contest, scheduled for Sunday, July 10 at Hier's Park and to display a poster at the 4-H Fair with judging taking place on Thursday, July 21.

Any youth in grades 3 through 12 is eligible to enroll in the 4-H Tractor program by completing a County 4-H Club Enrollment Form, participating in the winter classroom meetings and summer judging exhibits. For more information, contact Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington, phone 260-358-4826 or email laldridd@purdue.edu.

HORSE/PONY SCHOLARSHIP

4-H youth who are currently seniors in high school and enrolled in the 4-H Horse & Pony project are eligible to apply for the Area XI 4-H Horse & Pony Scholarship. Applicants must be planning to enter post high school study or training following high school graduation. Selection criteria includes the applicant's involvement in the 4-H horse & pony project along with 4-H and community activities.

Applications must be submitted to the Noble County Extension Office no later than Monday, March 2, 2011. Applicants will be notified of their standing by June 1 and award certificates will be presented to awardees during the County 4-H Fair.

For more information about the Area XI 4-H Horse & Pony Scholarship, contact Linda Aldridge, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth at the Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington or email laldridd@purdue.edu.

RECOGNIZE & PREVENT

When you think of someone having a heart attack, you might picture a middle-aged man rubbing his arm and then clutching his chest, gasping in pain. But women suffering heart attacks generally don't exhibit those same symptoms. Since February is American Heart Month, take some time to learn the signs of a heart attack in women as well as what you can do to prevent them with these tips from the Federal Citizen Information Center.

Heart disease is the number one killer of women in America in part because women don't recognize the signs of a heart attack. Instead of sharp pain in the chest, women might experience a heavy feeling or tightness instead. Other signs of heart disease in women include trouble breathing, an upset stomach or pain between the shoulders. None of those signs are as evident as the striking chest pain men

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experience. So women have to be extra vigilant, and if they experience these symptoms, they should go to the doctor right away.

High blood pressure can be a cause of heart disease, so it's important to monitor your blood pressure. If it's higher than 140/90, you may require treatment, which can come in the form of medicine or changes to your diet and exercise habits.

You can make lifestyle changes to lower your risk of heart disease. Gradually increase your activity level. You can choose from a variety of activities, from walking to dance classes or swimming laps in the pool. Pick something you'll enjoy so you'll stick with it. Check Fitness.gov for ideas.

When it comes to dietary changes, follow your doctor's recommendations. Pay close attention to food labels so you know just what you're eating and visit Nutrition.gov to get tips for sticking with your healthy eating plan. In general, make sure you're including lots of fruits and vegetables and limit the amount of processed food you eat.

Using these tips from the Federal Citizen Information Center, you can keep your heart healthy and identify any dangerous signs that might need medical attention.

The Federal Citizen Information Center connects people with government benefits, services and information through its family of websites, including Pueblo.gsa.gov, USA.gov, GobiernoUSA.gov and ConsumerAction.gov; by phone at 1 (800) FED-INFO (that's 1 (800) 333-4636) and with publications by mail from Pueblo, Colorado. FCIC is part of the U.S. General Services Administration's Office of Citizen Services.

SMART STEPS

With so many legal terms thrown your way when it comes to estate planning, it's easy to get overwhelmed. But even if you're not wealthy, it's still important to plan for what will happen to your valuables and property in the event of your death. Learn how to handle the future of your estate with these tips from the Federal Citizen Information Center.

An important first step in preparing for the future is making out a will, to spell out how you would like your property distributed. Even though creating one is easy, about 50% of Americans die each year without one, leaving it up to the courts to decide who gets your possessions and financial assets. You'll name an executor, someone you trust to carry out your wishes. The executor can also be a beneficiary – someone who receives part of your assets, but make sure you discuss it with them before you legally assign them to be your executor.

All property from a will has to go through probate, the court system that takes inventory of all your property and debt. This can be time consuming and costly. But a living trust can help avoid probate because your assets are owned by the trustee you designate rather than being property that must be divided through a will. Because this process is complicated, it's important to seek the advice of a lawyer who can help you throughout your planning.

Instead of leaving everything to your heirs in your will, you

can gift assets such as family jewelry, money or real estate during your lifetime, which may help avoid some hefty inheritance taxes. Make sure you are up to date on the different types of estate and gift taxes. And remember to keep your designated beneficiaries up to date for your life insurance, 401(k) and other investments if you've been through a divorce or a death in the family and the person you want to receive those assets has changed.

As you're setting up your will, consider assigning someone you trust power of attorney, giving them the right to make decisions regarding your welfare and sign any legal documents for you if you become unable to. If you have a living will explaining your health care wishes should you become terminally ill or severely injured, the person you've given power of attorney will make sure your medical wishes are carried out.

Planning for the future isn't easy, but with these guidelines from the Federal Citizen Information Center, you'll be ready to face the challenges of planning your estate and making sure you've left your family in good hands.

WE JUST WANT TO FEEL LOVED

by The FlyLady
Marla Cilley
We all get in an uproar about Valentine's Day. All any of us want is to feel loved! We don't have to wait for someone to love us, we can start today by taking a little time to pamper ourselves.

I can hear you now! I don't

have time to pamper myself! Those words, I don't have time are your first clue that the stress level is starting to build. When you hear those words come out of your mouth or scroll pass that mental TV screen in your brain; I want you to stop whatever you are doing and realize that those words are a form of perfectionism. Set a timer for 2 minutes and do something for yourself.

There you go again with that perfectionism! "What can I do in two minutes to pamper myself! That isn't enough time to do anything!" OH YES IT IS!

I am going to give you a little list to get you feeling special!

1. File your fingernails
2. Drink a glass of water
3. Eat a healthy snack
4. Freshen your make up and smile at yourself in the mirror
5. Make a cup of tea or my favorite Cafe Mocha
6. Pick up a magazine and read or look at the pictures
7. Listen to your favorite CD
8. Close your eyes and breathe slowly and deep
9. Open up your personal journal and write
10. Make a list of things you are thankful for
11. Pet your cat or dog

It is the act of stopping the negative perfectionist thinking that helps to defuse the stress!

The icing on the cake is the pampering action that takes care of you!

All that any of us have ever wanted is just to feel loved! You find us because you are searching for a way to get your home in order. You never dreamed that Finally Loving Yourself is the key that opens the lock that has kept you hidden away from the simple joys of life.

I am having a cup of Cafe Mocha right now. Here is my simple recipe, just mix it up and scoop out 1/4 of a cup for each mug with 1 cup of hot water.

1 cup of instant coffee, 2 cups of Nestles Quik and 3 cups of powdered milk.

Are you ready to FLY? Pick seven of these ways to pamper yourself and do them today. This can be your daily Valentine to yourself!

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