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Thought for the Week: *I make the most of all that comes and the least of all that goes.* Sara Teasdale



Employees of Heartland Aluminum, Inc. set new production record. Pictures from (L to R) Travis Dearing, Larry Helms, Adam Whiteman, Ramon Emery, Ed Langston, Richard Davis, Shad Myers, Sean Miller, Sean Doyle, John Hughes, Jeremy Williams, Shannon Spann, James Allen, Mitchell Davis, Fred McCracken, Tiffany Maher, and Mike Haggerty. (Not pictured: Shawn Stiles and Chris Decker)

Go HEAVY, OR Go HOME!

Heartland Aluminum, Inc. of Warren, IN set a new production record, one million pounds of wheels were melted in one week. Heartland melts scrap aluminum car wheels, each wheel weighs between 18-22 lbs, and must be handled at least once. This record was set on the hottest week of the year. In the foundry, a guy can lose up to 7-10 lbs a day, sweating. The company has been in business for ten years in Warren, and in their first year produced 880,000 pounds in a year. After five years, Heartland was producing 500,000 pounds a week. That production has now doubled with the new record and what Mike Haggerty, the company owner and President, is most excited about is that we're doing it with half the number of employees. "I would compare this hard-working group of employees to any other in the world," Mike says proudly.

BASKET BINGO

Warren's Beta Delta chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma will be holding a Longaberger Basket Bingo on Saturday June 30th, 2007. Bingo will be held at the Knight Bergman Center in Warren, IN. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. with Bingo starting at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$10.00 for 20 games, tickets available from any SPG member, at Gebhart's Floral barn and at the door. One basket awarded per game as well as a chance at intermission baskets and raffle baskets. Select baskets have been filled with goodies that were donated by local businesses. Refreshments will be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit the community. No admittance under the age of 16.

SPECIAL MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Warren will meet for a meeting called as a Special Session on Wednesday, July 20, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room of Assembly Hall, 131 N Main Street. Main agenda item will be discussion preparation of the 2008 Municipal Budget and any/all business which could come before Council.

TRACTOR SHOW

The Warren Area Antique Tractor Club will be having a show at Daugherty Companies during the Salamonie Summer Festival on June 29, 30 and July 1, 2007. The featured tractors this year are the Huber, Silver King and Centuar.

There will be a tractor drive to Huntington and back on Wednesday, July 4th. On July 4th along with the tractor drive there will be dinner served at Art Broyles house, located at 2495S - 100E, Huntington, In. You will need reservation to attend this event. You can sign up in the show area before the 4th.

Friday, June 29th, they will be joining in the festival parade at 6:30 p.m., be at Daugherty's by 5:00 p.m. to line up. At 8:15 p.m., under a tent, there will be entertainment by Tom Kellam & Shelia Deakyne, in the tractor area.

Saturday, June 30th, at Daugherty's there will be several demonstrations such as corn shelling at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., threshing at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Bob Rice will have his famous ham & beans at 12:00 noon, a donation will be expected. 2:00 p.m. there will be crafts available for the ladies. Junior Mallott, piano man from Heritage Pointe that plays on Thursday night, will play at 12:00 noon and at 7:00 p.m. that evening.

On Sunday, July 1st, there again will be corn shelling at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and threshing at 1:00 p.m. The Baker Fan will be available all day on Saturday and Sunday.

There will be concessions available, along with home made ice cream.

For more information call any of the following numbers: Marvin Zeller - 260-375-2454; Art Broyles - 260-468-2070; Dave Bradford - 260-375-3790; Mike Daugherty - 260-375-6018.

HOW TO KILL A TREE

The Blackford County Extension Service will be hosting the program "How to Kill a Tree" on June 25 at the Blackford County Fairgrounds beginning at 7pm.

Learn how to avoid tree-damaging mistakes such as topping trees, pruning errors, and too much mulch. Find out the most common mistakes well-intentioned homeowners make when trying to care for their trees. There will also be information on the Emerald Ash Borer and new techniques to try to

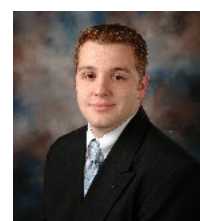
protect your ash trees.

There is no cost for this program, but reservations are requested by June 22 to the Blackford County Extension Service at 348-3213 or cluppers@purdue.edu.

PROMOTIONS

MARKLE, Ind. - MarkleBank is pleased to announce the recent promotions of three Relationship Bankers, Penny Kinser, Andy Marshall, and Sid Schwartz, to Assistant Vice President.

Kinser graduated from Midwest Agricultural Banking School and has been in agricultural banking for eight years. She has farmed with her family farm operation in Wells and Blackford counties all her life. Kinser also sells crop insurance through MarkleInsurance and formerly worked at the Farm Service Agency. She lives in Wells County and enjoys spending time with her family and new granddaughter.



Marshall has a B.S. in Business with an Accounting major. He serves on the Board of Directors for MarkleFish and Game Club Park and the Boys and Girls Club of Huntington County. He is a member of the Huntington Optimist Club, the Financial Secretary of TurnPointe Church of the Brethren, and has been the league director for Markle Park minor league baseball for the past three years. Marshall lives in Markle with his wife and son.

Marshall recently relocated from the Huntington office to the home office in Markle.

Schwartz, a life-long Bluffton resident, worked at MarkleBank's home office in Markle in the consumer and



commercial loan areas before moving to the Bluffton North office where he serves as a Relationship Banker and Branch Executive. He previously worked at Hiday Motors in the finance office, Eley's in Bluffton in the Sales and Finance Department, and Coldwell Banker Ellenberger Realtors as a Sales Associate.

MarkleBank is a bank subsidiary of Independent Alliance Banks, headquartered in Fort Wayne, Indiana. MarkleBank currently operates seven community banking centers, the main office in Markle, two in Bluffton, one in Warren, Huntington, Van Buren, and Fort Wayne. Call MarkleBank toll-free at (888) 758-3111 or visit MarkleBank.com online at MarkleBank.com.

POTATO BAKE

The Warren United Church of Christ Joy Class will be hosting a Potato Bake during the Salamonie Festival on Sunday July 1 from 11am to 1pm at the Knight Bergman Center. The menu consists of baked potato with a large variety of toppings, dessert and a drink. The cost is \$6 for adults, 2.50 for children ages 5 - 12 and children under 5 are free. Come and eat and enjoy the other Festival activities.

GET A CLUE

Over 100 kids have signed up for the Warren Library's summer reading program "Get a Clue @ YourLibrary." On Mondays, (except July 2), Y(ou) N(ever) K(now) activities are available for the children to do. There are puzzle pages to solve, codes to crack and games to play as well as books to read.

Also each week there is a new "I Spy" and a new code to crack. The first "I Spy" was answered correctly by 25 kids: "I spy a skunk! Who is it sleeping with?" Each received a small prize. Twenty-seven kids cracked the code correctly and their names were entered into a drawing for a larger prize. Colter Nuss was the lucky winner.

Summer Reading continues until August 10, so it is not too late to sign up. The businesses in Warren

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Deadline for news and/or advertising is 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, for that week's edition. Call if you need something in but won't have it here on time.

Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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The publisher takes no responsibility for statements or claims made in any advertisement.

KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

PLEASE HELP

"Reward" - My bike was taken from Tower Park on Saturday, June 9th between 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.. It's a chrome Mongoose Hoop-D bike. If you have any info call 375-4195. Thank you"

QUARTERBACK THANKS

On behalf of the Huntington Quarterback Club, I would like to thank all businesses and individuals from the Warren area who helped sponsor, or play, in our 4th annual Golf Outing. Although slightly down from last year, we still had 35 foursomes that went in two separate flights! A huge thank you goes out to the following: Heartland Aluminum/ Saturn Wheel Scoreboard Sponsors 2 years running, Heritage Pointe, also 2 year scoreboard sponsors. 2nd year Tee/Green sponsors, Bolingers Warren Service and Supply, Hy-line, and Huntington Tool & Die. 1st year Tee Sponsor Ackley Automotive. Prize Donations; Deweese Softwater & Appliance, and Hy-line. Thank you all very much, it was a great day, and we raised a lot of money to go to Huntington County Football programs.

On another note, Ty Surfus (formerly of Warren) was the winner of the Nascar Raffle, winning two tickets to the August night race at Bristol (thank you to the Wagon Wheel for helping sell tickets), and finally we raised enough to start a scholarship fund that will go to a 4 year football player each year for \$500, renewable for up to 4 years. I am very excited to say that Warren's own Cody Eckert, was the recipient of the 1st annual Huntington Quarterback Club Scholarship. Any questions about the Huntington Quarterback Club go to www.huntington-football.com. Thank you again for having such a "Big Heart",

Rob Surber

TOURNAMENT THANKS

The Warren Chamber of Commerce would like to thank Heritage Pointe, Dogwood Glen, GDW Construction, Evalution Real Estate, The SPA at Heritage Pointe, Thorne Insurance Agency Inc, Bolinger's Warren Service & Supply, Kevin DeaKyne DDS, Accent Interiors, MarkleBank, National City Bank, EGL Insurance, the Warren Sportsman Club, East of Chicago Pizza, Salamonie Mills, PJ's Flowers and Gifts, Citizens Telephone Company, Bob Berghoff DDS, Shuttleworth Financial, DeWeese Soft Water and Warren Automotive NAPA.

Thanks to all for helping make this year's tournament successful.
 The Warren Chamber of Commerce



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

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8294S 900W 35
Gary Riley, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
 Thurs. Kings Kids 6:30 p.m.
 BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.
 CWF Ladies (3 Tue) 6:00 p.m.
 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour. 6:30 p.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

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

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
758-2085
Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor
Sandy Keplinger, Supt.

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
Pastor Anna Kroencke
Youth Minister Lynne Payne

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Bible Study, Wednesday..... 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.

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Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Tuesday Eve. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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Dick Case, Pastor

Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.
 Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.
 2nd Worship Service 10:30a.m.
 Youth Group (6th-12th). 6:00p.m.
 Wed - Circle of Friends (3yrs old - 5th grade) . 6:30-8p.m.

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

1st Worship..... 9:00 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
 3rd Worship 11:11 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.

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
375-2510
Clyde Gunn, Pastor
 Bus Service 375-2510

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.

JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST
 Corner of 900S & 300W
Kathy Newton, Pastor

Sunday School 8:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
468-2411
Doug Sharrard, Pastor
David Thrift, 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
Pastor Dan Sommer

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

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Dan Helm, Pastor

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

McNATT UNITED METHODIST
375-4359
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
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Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m.
 Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies - all Sunday 6:00 p.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.

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.

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor

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

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
Rev. Rick Pulling, Interim Pastor

Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month
 Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays ... 6:00p.m.

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
765/934-3321 Parsonage
Jeff Wass, Pastor

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 Blake J. Neff

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30a.m.
 Jr/Sr High UMYF (Sun)..... 6:30 p.m.
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:30 p.m.
 UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 p.m.
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375-3022
Gerald O. Moreland, Minister
Todd Winkler, Youth Minister
Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt.

Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
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Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship
Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life
Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m.

WARREN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

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

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 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service.. 7:00p.m.
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AREA NEWS

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have generously donated items for the "Get a Clue" bag the children receive when they complete the program. The children will also select a paper back book donated by the Friends of the Library.

BUSINESSES WITH A CLUE

The following businesses in Warren have a clue about how important summer reading is for the children of a community. Please support the summer reading program by supporting these businesses. Accent Interiors, Ackley Automotive, Blue Flame, Citizens Telephone, Crain Ford, Deakyne Dentistry, DeWeese Softwater, Dogwood Glen, East of Chicago, Gebharts Flowers, Glancy Funeral Homes, Heritage Pointe, Huggy Bear, Ireland-Kennedy Insurance, Markle Medical Center, Macs's Oil, McDonalds, National City Bank, Salamonie Tack, and Subway.

GOT AN OLD CAR ??

The Demolition Derby wants YOU in YOUR old car to enter the Derby! "Down Below the Hill" will be rocking July 1st at the Knight Bergman Civic Center. The crash'em & smash'em Derby will start at 5pm and the Amazing Laser Light Show will immediately follow! Come early to get the best view of both events- bring your lawn chair and blankets. Tickets are available at the gate @ \$7.00 per person. Call Bolinger's Propane and Warren Service & Supply @ 375-3010 to enter the Derby - Don't miss out on this fun evening!

PIONEER BREAKFAST

The Warren Chamber of Commerce invites all area residents to the Samuel Jones Pioneer Breakfast on Friday, June 29th at the Knight Bergman Civic Center @ 7:30 am. Please join Chamber and kick-off the 40th annual festival with the (drum-roll) announcement of the Samuel Jones Pioneer Award and a presentation for the original creators of the Salamonie Summer Festival! Tickets are \$7.00 and must be purchased in advance at the City Building, National City, and/or Bolinger's Warren Service & Supply.

BIBLE SCHOOL

Beginning July 22nd, Great Bible Reef Community Vacation Bible School is swimming in to Van Buren. All kids between preschool and 5th grade are invited to dive in! We will listen to great stories about Jesus, make cool crafts and science projects, sing fun songs, play zany games, and make a school of friends.

The fun begins each evening at 6:00 at the Van Buren United Methodist Church. A Celebration is planned for Friday, July 27th at 7:00 to share with family and friends what we have experienced at Great Bible Reef VBS.

This community Vacation Bible School is sponsored by the Van Buren area churches including

Central Christian, Nazarene, Farville Community, and United Methodist.

GOLF DRAWING

Raffle tickets will be sold from now until October to win a 2008 Dogwood Glen Golf season Membership. All proceeds will go to the Salamonie Summer Festival Fireworks Fund. Tickets @ \$10 each will be on sale during the 40th annual Salamonie Summer Festival at the information booth. If the winner qualifies for and wants a "couple membership", the winner may pay the difference. Rules: may purchase unlimited tickets, open to every age group, one 2008 golf season membership golf only, golf cart not included, membership is non-transferable, all the perks of a purchased membership, winner will earn a membership for the age category, need not be present to win at the drawing on October 6 @ Dogwood Glen.

POKER RUN

The 4th Annual Red Hatter Poker Run is Saturday, June 30 @ 10am. The Registration Starts at 9:30 a.m., in front of the Wagon Wheel Café. The 1st bike is out at 10:00 a.m. and the Last bike is out at 11:30 a.m. with the Last bike in at 3:00 pm. All poker hands will be drawn by 3:15, no exceptions. The Best hand wins \$200.00 sponsored by the Wagon Wheel, the 2nd best hand wins \$100.00 sponsored by Accent Interiors and the 3rd best hand wins \$50.00 sponsored by Indiana Fence and Rail.

The event is only for motorcyclists. It is \$5.00 per hand with a limit of two hands per bike. Please park at Accent Interiors, at Wayne and 3rd Street before and after the poker run. All proceeds go to the Salamonie Summer Festival fireworks fund. Please use the route provided and ride safe.

CAR WASH

Get a clean car and help for local missions! Car Wash @ Bolinger's at the Stoplight in Warren on Saturday, June 23 from 9am to Noon! Please come and help the small youth earn money for missions! We have a very energetic youth group and they are excited to wash your vehicles with help from Warren Methodist Church adults!

MUSIC & HORSES

Thursday, June 28 at 6:30 p.m. is the date of the "Night of Music and Horses" event at Beal Farms Equestrian Center of Ossian. The 30 minute program features something for any horse lover. There will be drill teams, comedy, and even miniature horses performing. There will be free horse rides for kids 10 and special petting time with the stable's minis, Nacho and Glory, from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Admission to the event is a \$1 donation to the Indiana Horse Rescue. Everyone needs to bring their own lawn chairs for seating.

Beal Farms has been a foster farm for the IHR since 2004, and to date, has rehabilitated 7 neglected and abused horses. Four of those horses have been adopted by Beal Farms, and are going to be featured in the evening's program.

Beal Farms is located 4 miles west of Ossian, just north of the corner of 1100 N and 100 W. For more information, call Beth Beal at 260.638.4203.

FAMILY FUN WAGON

The Family Fun Wagon is now at National City Bank! Over \$1500 in gift cards and prizes from area businesses and organizations. Tickets may be purchased at National City or during the SSF Queen Contest. The winner will be announced at 7:00 p.m. July 3rd at Tower Park. Tickets are \$1.00 per ticket or 6 for \$5.00.

Items included in the Family Fun Wagon are: 1 free oil change from Crain Ford; 4 free buffets and drinks from East of Chicago; Wagon from DeWeese Soft Water & Appliance and D&D Bike Shop; \$25 Gift Card from Ugalde's; 4 free subs from Warren Subway; 1 free large 2 topping pizza from Cady's Express; a golf umbrella from Warren Pharmacy; \$20 gift card from PJ's Flower and Gift and Ware Brandon Monuments; Body Wash & Lotion from the Nick Gray family; 1 free oil change from Ackley Automotive; \$10 phone card and telephone from Citizen's Telephone Company; \$25 gift card from Gebhart's Floral Barn; 2 smoke alarms and shirt from Warren Fire

Department; toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss and sugar free gum from Dr Berghoff DDS; 1 free refill of 20lb cylinder and 2 koozies from Warren Service & Supply; 1 free large 2 topping pizza from Wagon Wheel Bar & Grill; Volleyball and badmitten set, and 4 SSF 40th anniversary T-shirts from the Salamonie Summer Festival committee; 4 free rounds of golf (9holes) from Dogwood Glen Golf Course; 1 year family Zoo pass to Ft Wayne Children's Zoo (\$65.00 value) from Salamonie School PROS committee; Water Pik from Kevin DeaKyne DDS; \$10 gift card from Creative Elements; \$10 gift card from Huggy Bear Ice Cream Stop; \$20 gift card from Huggy bear Quik Stop; Custom family photo session and 20x24 portrait (\$425 value) from Reflexions Photography; ½ hour massage at The Spa at Heritage Pointe from Jerrod Baysinger; 2 coolers and chair from MarkleBank; Cooler, BBQ Grill Set, 2 frisbees, car safety kit from National City Bank; Play and Freeze Ice Cream Maker from Dave Fleeger, Cindy Ralston and Mike & Matt. The following businesses have donated money towards one

National City Gift Card - \$25 Accent Interiors; \$20 Campbell and Dye Insurance Agency; \$20 Warren Service & Supply; \$25.00 National City Bank; \$110 Salamonie Summer Festival Committee, for a total of \$200.

Thanks to all the businesses and organizations for their donations.

REUNION PLANNED

A reunion is being held for the students from the Warren School who graduated in the class of 1972. It will be June 30th at 5pm at the home of Janie Yount Schweikhardt. For more information, please call Janie Schweikhardt 375.3347, Marsha Miles Gehring 260.597.7410 or Cheri Rettig Milford 765.662.3136.

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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.

Jun 20	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Jun 21	First Day of Summer
Jun 22	Warren Recycle Day
Jun 25	Warren Town Council, 6:40 p.m., Assembly Hall
Jun 29-Jul 4	SALAMONIE SUMMER FESTIVAL
Jul 4	Independence Day
Jul 6	Warren Recycle Day
Jul 8	Liberty Cantata, 6 p.m. at College Park UB Church, 1936 College Ave, Huntington. Performed by Dillman Comm. Choir
Jul 9	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m.
Jul 10	Our Town Committee meeting, 7 pm, Assembly Hall
Jul 14	KBC Board Meeting, 8 a.m. at KBC
Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC Depression Support Group 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 After School Adventure - Tuesdays & Thursdays, after school till 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene Preschool Story Time - Warren Library 10:15 Fridays Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus	

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FISH FRY

The First Baptist Church located at 727 N Wayne St in Warren will be hosting their Fish Tenderloin and Chicken Strip supper June 30 from 4:30 – 7:30 pm. The annual supper will be part of the Salamonie Summer Festival. Along with the three meat choices provided by Dan's Fish Fry, the menu will include green beans, applesauce, bread/butter, chips and cookies. Carry out service will be available. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council held their June 11 meeting in Assembly Hall. President Bill Cartwright opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and all in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

A citizen in attendance was informed that several residents had responded to notices to clean up their properties. If they fail to comply with a designated period, further action will be taken.

Kim Coolman reported from the Park Board. It was advised that the walking path is restricted to walking only. Bicycles, skate boards and motorized vehicles are not allowed to be used on the walk.

Netting at the ball diamonds, damaged by wind, is expected to be back up soon.

Work on the Heartland/Saturn Wheel Infrastructure Project was reported underway and expected to be completed soon.

Ordinance 2007-4 was introduced. The designated time for fireworks is as follows: Between 5 p.m. and two hours after sunset on June 29, July 1, July 2, July 3, July 5, July 6, July 7, July 8, July 9. Between 10 a.m. and midnight on July 4. Between 10 a.m. on December 31 and 1 a.m. on January 1 or when fireworks display is being held as part of a public entertainment or function.

AEP True-up payment will total \$15,650.

Warren Council will be hosting the July 16 meeting of WHARMM.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison presented the May Financial report.

Plans are underway for the Clerk-Treasurer's office to accept credit and debit cards. The plan is expected to go into effect in August.

The first meeting for the 2008 Budget Preparation will be held July 12 in Huntington.

Morrison was scheduled to attend a State Board of Accounts school June 12 and 13.

Curtis Day reported from the Utility/Street Departments. Plans were to start mosquito spraying Wednesday, July 12.

Bids for a truck chassis were as follows: Pace \$28,186; Trier \$25,831; Crane Ford \$25,200. Council accepted the Crane bid.

Fire Chief Lee Poulson presented the May activity report from the Fire Department. The Department will wash down the streets for the Salamonie Summer Festival and will also participate in the parade.

Town Marshal Dennis Spitler gave Council the Police May Activity report.

The next Park Board meeting will be July 9.

IACF Clerk's School Budget Workshop will be June 27 and 28 in Indianapolis.

Announcements include: June 25 Council Meeting; July 7 Library Dedication; July 9, 23, Council meetings; July 4, Office and utilities closed.



MY TOWN and Yours BY DENNIS STROUD

In tracing the Marion-Bluffton Interurban, the Marion station was located one block south of the court house. Coming out of the rear of the station the track turned east on Fifth Street and then north on McClure. The track then turned east on Fourth Street, crossed the railroad tracks and Shunk Street and continued east. Today, traveling east on Fourth Street the National Guard Armory appears on the right. Opposite the Armory is the site of the wreck of 1912, which we will tell about later. After crossing the Mississinewa River the track skirted what is now the 4-H park and then curved north.

Heading north the Interurban crossed Bradford Pike and paralleled the west side of Bethlehem Road. After passing Feighner Siding [which was located at the top of the hill] the track descended the greatest grade on the line. A few feet beginning the descend the track suddenly crossed the road and continued north along the east side of Bethlehem Road. Why it crossed the road there is not clear. It may have been an attempt to soften the grade or it may have been caused by problems in securing right of way.

Continuing northeastward, the interurban abandoned the railroad about a quarter of a mile southwest of Landess. Near county road 600E. was a siding known as Oil Station. Oil Station Siding served the community of Landess. After crossing road 600E, the track swung back to the railroad and together continued towards Van Buren.

At the point where the two lines passed under today's 69 interstate,

the course of the interurban can be determined by following the electrical transmission lines. These lines follow the course of the interurban almost continuously until it entered Bluffton. After crossing 800E, the M & B followed along the south of road 45N. It passed Race Siding, once the site of a race track and fairgrounds, and entered Van Buren down the center of Main Street. After crossing First Street, the track continued east one block to Washington Street. On the southwest corner of Main and Washington Streets was the interurban station. After leaving Van Buren, the tracks abandoned Main Street and followed Black Creek bank.

On the southwest corner of 600N and 1100E, there was a brick school house built in 1890 and nearby was Studebaker Siding. After crossing 218 twice the track followed the Salamonie River, finely crossing over and entering Warren on Main Street. Only the abutments and concrete piers remain after the street girders were removed during W.W. II. The track went down Main Street to the northeast corner of Main and Second Streets were the interurban station was. It had a wooden canopy out front that was removed many years ago. A "Y" siding entered Second Street and the rails extended for several feet toward the school building.

The rails continued northeast in the center of Main Street and crossed the railroad. The rails for the interurban was removed by a public works project crew during years of the depression, probably during the winter of 31-32. As the rails continued on Main Street, the tracks crossed a concrete culvert before crossing 10th Street. The culvert remains today. Crossing 10th Street the track entered private right of way. Today, this area is covered with brush and trees and it is hard to imagine that this was once a busy area for the interurban.

Past 11th Street was "Fair Siding" which was a beehive of activity when events took place at Warren's fairgrounds.

The last part of the 19th century and the first thirty years of the 20th century, there was a keen interest in harness racing. Fairs were sponsored by the Warren Fair and the Driving Association which was organized in 1888. The Warren Tri County Fair and the Driving Association attracted the interest of people living in the three counties served by the M & B. As late as July, 1931, harness racing at Warren attracted 4,000 fans. More on the interurban later.

FUN RUN/WALK

4-H 5K Fun Run/Walk (3.1 Miles) Saturday, July 14, 2007 Wells County 4-H Park in Bluffton, IN

Race Day Registration begins at 6:45 AM

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Following the 5K Race will be a 1-Mile Fun Run for those between 7-12 year olds

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The flat course will start and end on the Wells County 4-H Fairgrounds with the middle of the race taking place in the outskirts of Bluffton.

For more information, contact Kyan Harris at k_pepper33@hotmail.com or (260) 827-0246.

Registration forms can also be picked up at the Wells County 4-H Extension Office in Bluffton, IN.

All proceeds from the event will go towards the Wells County 4-H Foundation's scholarship fund and other community projects.

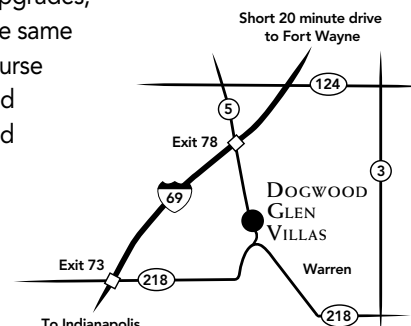
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GENEALOGY REPORT

McGEATH

Hilma L. Weesner McGeath, 88, of Montpelier died at 10:56 a.m. on Sunday, June 17, 2007, at Howard Regional Community Hospital in Kokomo.

She was born one mile north of Roll in Jackson Township, Wells County on Aug. 20, 1918, the daughter of William H. and Marie (Tharp) Dalrymple. She was a former resident of Marion and Montpelier before moving to Kokomo nine months ago. She retired in 1973 after 47 years of service as a registered nurse at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Marion. She also worked at the Blackford County Hospital. She was a 1936 graduate of LaFontaine High School and a 1940 graduate of the Ball Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.

She was formerly the co-owner of Weesner's Marathon Station in Marion. She was involved with the Elks, the Lions Club, the Grant County Registered Nurses Club, and the Association of Retired Federal Employees.

She is survived by her step-daughters Margaret (Ron) Sanders of Kokomo and Kathy Lee Welch of Indianapolis, her sister Doris McIlwain of Zionsville, 5 step-grandchildren, 12 step great-grandchildren, and 2 step great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her first husband Harold Weesner, her second husband Thomas T. McGeath, and sisters Bonnie Lee Oberhoulser and Leola Griffin, and her brother Maurice Dalrymple.

Calling will be from 2-8 p.m. on Wednesday at the Glancy Funeral Homes - Walker Chapel in Montpelier. Services will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday at Gethsemane Episcopal Church in Marion with Father Jim Warnock officiating. There will be a graveside memorial service held at 3 p.m. on Thursday at Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier. Memorials may be made to the Montpelier Lions Club or to the American Cancer Society.

VILLANUEVA

Luis G. Villanueva, 87, Warren, died at 3:05 a.m. Saturday, June 16, 2007 at his residence.

Born in Mercedes, Texas on June 20, 1919 to Encarnacion and Maria (Estrada) Villanueva, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II and retired from Arco Corp in Chicago and also had worked for Midas Corp. He has been a resident of Warren for ten years.

Survivors include five sons, Juan Cepeda of Tinley Park, Ill., Luis Villanueva of Venice Beach, Calif., Miguel Villanueva of Phoenix, Ariz., Roberto Villanueva of Chicago, and Jose Villanueva of Phoenix; three daughters, Minerva Juggan of Chicago, Irma Villanueva of Schaumburg, Ill., and Maria Ana Mendoza of Aurora, Ill.; a sister-in-law, Anita S. Villanueva of Warren; 24 grandchildren; and several great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Irma (Trevino) Villanueva, who died on Feb. 4, 1974; and a brother, Santos Villanueva.

Calling hours were held at the Glancy Funeral Home, H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren. Burial will be in the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, Ill.

HAMILTON

Georgia M. Hamilton, 53, of Montpelier, died at 8:14 p.m. Tuesday, June 12, 2007, at her residence.

Born to John Erbacher and Frances (Harper) Erbacher in Muncie on July 15, 1953, she married Roger Hamilton on Sept. 16, 1973; he survives.

Mrs. Hamilton retired after working for five years at T.I. Automotive in Ossian.

Other surviving relatives include children J.D. Hamilton of Bluffton and Jason Hamilton of Liberty Center; sisters Sandy Miller of Preble, Brenda Moland of Redkey and Judy Weimer of Indianapolis, and seven grandchildren.

A private family funeral will be held at the Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home.

Preferred memorials should be made to the family or the American Diabetes Association through the funeral home.

JARVIS

An employee at the Rent-A-Center in Bluffton, Richard Arlen Jarvis Jr., 43, of Hartford City, died on Monday, June 11, 2007, in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born on April 25, 1964 to Richard Arlen and Dorene (Peck) Jarvis, Sr., both of whom survive, he married Cathy Cornett on Jan. 9, 1988 in Marion; she also survives.

A 1982 graduate of Chapel Heights Academy, Marion, Mr Jarvis was the former manager of the Celina, Ohio Rent-A-Center, and currently worked at the Bluffton store. He was a member of the Blackford Baptist Temple.

Other surviving relatives include three sons, Richard III, Craig and Christopher, all of Hartford City, his grandmother, Mabel Peck of Hartford City, and two brothers, Mike Jarvis of Van Buren and Jerry Jarvis of Hartford City.

Funeral services were held at the Blackford Baptist Temple with Pastor Larry Harvey officiating. Calling hours were held at the Waters Funeral Home and at the temple. Burial was at Hartford City Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the church.

ENGAGED

Scott Irelan and Angela Mexico of Warren are engaged to be married July 10th.

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POULTRY TESTING

Wells County 4-H members are reminded of the health requirements for poultry which includes proof (certificate) that the bird originated from a National Poultry Improvement Program (NPIP) approved flock or a negative blood test for pullorum-typhoid within 90 days of the Fair.

Members should plan to bring their birds to the blood testing, Saturday, June 30, 1 – 3 PM at the 4-H Park Swine / Sheep Barn. To arrange a special time, contact the blood tester, Jeff Hook, 334-5586.

Only birds not from a NPIP flock need to be tested. Waterfowl, turkeys, and quail do not need to be tested.

Local veterinarians can also do the blood testing.

Salmonella pullorum and gallinarum (pullorum and typhoid) are bacterial diseases that can produce heavy losses in chickens, turkeys, and sometimes other poultry. Losses are greatest in very young birds, but can be seen at almost any age.

Survivors of these infections remain carriers for life and can become sources of infections for other birds. As a result, chicks are hatched with the infection and frequently die.

These diseases can be prevented by purchasing stock from hatcheries and breeder sources listed as participants of the National Poultry Improvement Program (NPIP).

For more information about the Poultry Health Requirements, check your 4-H Rule Book or the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 260-824-6412.



JULY 3RD DEADLINE

Wells County 4-H members are busy finishing their project manuals and records (what can be completed) so that they can be checked (reviewed) by the 4-H Club Leader on or before July 3rd.

The rule, which was new in 2003, is part of an effort by the Wells County 4-H Council to encourage members to complete their manual and records.

Once a member has their manual and record checked, the 4-H Club Leader will issue them a signed certificate stating they have completed the required activities. This certificate will be shown upon check in at the 4-H Fair Expo Hall (non livestock projects) and at the 4-H Park West Road (livestock projects).

Dog and cat exhibits were checked at your June workshop or club meeting.

Members who do not have a signed certificate from their leader will not be able to check their 4-H projects in at the 4-H Fair.

Mini 4-H member rules remain the same. They simply complete their project exhibit and bring it to the 4-H Fair.

Livestock members should complete as much of the feed record sheet as they can. Once the 4-H Auction is finished you will be able to finish your record and turn it in.

Club boxes will be on display in the Community Center for members to turn in the finished Record Notebooks and folders.

The Wells County 4-H Council along with the 4-H Association and 4-H Leaders all endorse the rule which helps encourage youth to complete their entire project.

For more information about record books, check your Wells County 4-H Rule Book or contact your 4-H club leader or the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 260-824-6412.

BUCKLE UP INDIANA

After several years of public debate, the Indiana General Assembly adopted House Bill 1237 on Sunday, April 29, 2007. Governor Daniels signed the bill into law on Thursday, May 10 which goes into effect on Sunday, July 1, 2007.

The new law requires each occupant of a motor vehicle equipped with a safety belt to have the safety belt properly fastened about the occupant's body at all times. This means that every passenger of all motor vehicles must be properly restrained by a seat belt or by an appropriate child restraint system, regardless of where they are seated in the vehicle. The safety belt must be standard equipment installed by the manufacturer.

To date, Indiana law does not require backseat passengers 16 years of age and older to buckle up, nor does it require occupants in pickup trucks or those with vehicles registered and plated as trucks to wear their seat belts. Such vehicles may include but are not limited to SUV's, vans, and mini-vans.

The Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving estimates that at least 54 lives may have been saved in 2006 alone, had pickup trucks and other vehicles registered as trucks not been exempt from Indiana's Occupant Protection Law. This equates to a potential savings to the State of \$55,065,096.00, as the economic cost associated with a single traffic fatality in 2006 totaled \$1,019,724.00, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

In light of such devastating statistics, I am thrilled that Indiana law makers recognized the value of this important piece of legislation. Once in effect, I am confident that the new law will help to increase the number of Hoosiers surviving motor vehicle crashes.

As part of House Bill 1237, law enforcement will no longer be permitted to conduct seat belt enforcement zones as a means of detecting unbelted motorists after July 1, 2007. However, given that Indiana is a primary seat belt law state, motorists can still be specifically stopped and cited for failing to wear their seat belts.

To that end, Indiana will now leave Georgia as the only state with a primary seat belt law mentioned in the Federal Congressional Record as allowing occupants of vehicles with truck plates to be unrestrained (Federal Register, Vol. 71, No. 16, pg 4198).

While enforcement zones have proven to be an effective tool in increasing seat belt compliance in Indiana, they are not the only means of ensuring an increased compliance. Michigan and Washington State are also not statutorily permitted to conduct seat belt enforcement zones, yet they have the top two highest seat belts usage rates in the nation. Going forward, law enforcement will now rely on alternative seat belt enforcement strategies in order to spot unbelted motorists, such as roving and saturation patrols.

I cannot stress enough that seat belt enforcement is not about writing tickets. The lives that will be saved as a result of the new law are far more important than maintaining the status quo in how state and local law enforcement agencies conduct enforcement.

Routine traffic enforcement such as the statewide "Click It or Ticket" effort, has in fact led to significant arrests, and has ultimately helped to remove dangerous criminals from Indiana's streets and neighborhoods.

Just last month during the "Click It or Ticket" mobilization, law enforcement officers seized drugs and guns from motorists that were stopped near or in an enforcement zone. As a result of the increased enforcement and extra visibility, these enforcement efforts also serve as an effective deterrent to criminal activity.

Beginning October 2007, the Traffic Safety division of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute will receive \$15.7 million in federal funding from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to sustain Indiana's Occupant Protection efforts over the next three years. These efforts are designed to reduce death, injury property damage and economic costs associated with traffic crashes on Indiana's roadways.

Wearing a seat belt remains the most effective way to prevent death and serious bodily injury in a traffic crash. Further, a seat belt increases an occupant's chance of surviving a motor vehicle crash by up to 70 percent. On behalf of the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving, I urge all motorists to buckle up in all vehicles at all times – don't wait until July 1st!

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FORWARD

Move to fight Alzheimer's disease. Our campaign to sign up 5 million Champions against Alzheimer's disease has begun. Log on to www.actionalz.org and become a Champion. This is one of the themes for the annual "Memory Walk" to be held on Saturday September 8 at Foster Park. The walk will begin at noon. Registration begins at 11AM.

This family event is in a great outdoors setting at Foster Park. The walk follows the path around the golf course. The day is packed with fun for the whole family including your pet dog. There is information available, live entertainment, presentation of awards and refreshments.

Registration for the walk can be done online at www.alz.org, click on Memory Walk and choose Fort Wayne or by requesting a form by mail or at the event.

All proceeds from the walk go to provide programs and services for those dealing with the disease and for research to end Alzheimer's disease.

We invite you to form a team with your family or business and participate in this year's walk. Contact our local office for more information, registration forms for individuals or teams. The number is 260-420-5547. The mission of the Alzheimer's Association is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

OPEN MINDS, VOICE SUPPORT, AND MOVE OTHERS TO ACT.

CLOSET MUMBLINGS

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley
Our journey through life starts with our first breath and it ends with our last one. Since our birth we have packed many bags for our trip. We are born naked but then we have to put clothes on our bodies. These clothes tell our history; from the baby shoes we took our first steps, to the dress we wore to the prom, our wedding dress and then to the pregnant clothes we wore when we gave birth. I'll wager that your closet recounts many of the chapters of your life.

Our closets are filled to overflowing. Each time we open our closet door we have a conversation with those clothes. If the truth be known we actually wear only a few items in our closet. The rest are there to beat us up and pretend to rescue us. Our clothes have a way of making us feel bad.

Just think about your wedding dress that no longer fits your body. What are your first thoughts? How could I let this happen to me? I looked so good that day. Then I want you to think about how you starved yourself to death to fit into that dress in the first place.

Why do we do this to ourselves? Why can't we just be happy with ourselves just like we were? We were trying to fit into an unrealistic

picture that only stays with us for that fleeting moment.

Those nasty conversations go on each time you walk into your closet. If it isn't about a wedding dress it is about another favorite outfit that you paid good money for that is too tight. It is time for us to quiet these beratings and get on with our flight without feeling guilty.

There is an easy way to banish these voices from your head; get them out of your closet and only keep items of clothing that you absolutely adore and feel like a million bucks in when you wear them. Decluttering your closet is not going to kill you; in fact it may just save your life.

It is time we packed for our journey. Our closets are no longer going to stand in our way of traveling light and enjoying our trip. Most of us only wear about 10% of the clothes we have stashed in there anyway. Let's lighten our load and get rid of those nasty voices once and for all; Out of sight, out of mind! We can do this.

First we need to look at the clothes we truly love because we feel good in them. This goes for your shoes too. Pull those out of your closet one at a time and think about the words you hear in your head when you have them on. Now put them back in your closet and pull out something that does not give you the same feeling. If the item of clothing makes you feel bad, evokes feelings of guilt in you or you just don't like it; then put it in the give-away box. If you have changed careers and no longer have to get dressed into suits then donate them so others can start their new jobs and look nice. Let me warn you. Going through your closet is difficult because of all the stories that you clothes dredge up. This is why I only want you to spend 15 minutes at a time doing this. Do not spend hours; this will make you feel sick. Bless yourself by being kind to you.

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Fireside. Copyright 2007 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

GRILLING MORE THAN JUST STEAK

by The Dinner Diva, Leanne Ely
Who doesn't love the smoky, sexy flavor of meat perfectly grilled to juicy perfection over an outdoor grill? And listen, if you can get that from grilling your beef, how about those veggies? They're practically begging for the outdoor treatment.

One nifty tip I picked up for grilling asparagus was to make a "raft" out of the asparagus using presoaked bamboo skewers (soak them in water for 30 minutes before barbecuing to prevent them from igniting) and brushing the asparagus with a little olive oil before hand. Let me tell you, asparagus on the grill is just a little slice of heaven.

When using a grill, whether it is gas or charcoal, it is imperative to preheat the grill. You cannot put the food on a cold grill and start that way for the same reasons you don't stick food in an oven that hasn't been preheated -it messes up the cooking time and the way it should cook. Don't rush this important preheat step.

There are some wonderful grilling accessories that you just cannot live without when grilling your veggies. One is a holey wok. That's right...big holes in a flat bottomed wok. I grilled the most incredible stir fried squash in one of those things. It was easy, -sliced zucchini, summer squash and a little olive oil and garlic tossed together in the bowl got thrown into that wok and those vegetables were amazing. Think of the possibilities!

I also purchased a flat holey cookie sheet looking thing. That is how I cook my fish without losing it through the grill slats and I use it too, for veggie kabobs to keep the bamboo skewers from flaming up. Oh here's a REALLY great tip for those skewers: everyone knows you have to soak them for 30 minutes before using them to slow down the burn, right? Well, wet them, then stick them in a bag and FREEZE them! They will always be ready to go; no more waiting 30 minutes to start your skewering!

There you have it, some fun stuff with veggies that will have you thrilling to your grilling! In the meantime, you gotta have a good grilled steak recipe, right? What's

not to love about a perfectly grilled steak, complete with your lovely veggies, done just so on the 'cue! My favorite and I bet yours too!

Polynesian Flank Steak

Serves 4

2 pounds flank steak

1 teaspoon lemon peel, grated (save lemon for fish, if you like)

2 tablespoons olive oil

1/4 cup lemon juice

1/4 cup soy sauce

1 teaspoon fresh ginger, grated (or 2 teaspoons ginger powder)

1 clove garlic, pressed

1 teaspoon brown sugar

Place flank steak in a plastic zipper style plastic bag. Put remaining ingredients in a bowl, and mix together. Pour into bag over flank steak. Marinate overnight in refrigerator.

Preheat oven broiler or barbecue grill.

Broil in oven 5-8 minutes on each side or fire up your barbecue and cook to preferred doneness. Cut very thinly on a diagonal across the grain and serve.

Per Serving: 478 Calories; 30g Fat; 45g Protein; 4g Carbohydrate; trace Dietary Fiber; 116mg Cholesterol; 1187mg Sodium. Exchanges: 6 1/2 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 2 1/2 Fat; 0 Other Carbohydrates.

For more help putting dinner on your table check out her website). www.SavingDinner.com or her Saving Dinner Book series published by Ballantine and her New York Times Best Selling book

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