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Thought for the Week: You're not to be so blind with patriotism that you can't face reality. Wrong is wrong, no matter who does it or says it. *Malcom X*



## LILLY HONORED BY VFW

Lilly Nutter was the guest of honor at a prime rib luncheon on Saturday, February 6, 2010 at the Huntington VFW Post 2689.

In honor of her patriotism and heroism, for sending out approximately 840 care packages to our troops in harms way, the VFW presented Lilly with a memento of their appreciation. In addition to the citation, she was also given several checks to further the project. The Ladies and Men's Auxiliary donated \$200, Commander Howell, representing VFW Post 2689 gave \$100 and the USS Salamonie also presented her with a check.

Mrs Nutter's actions were brought to the attention of the National Veterans of Foreign Wars through a letter from Mr. John Lichoff of

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## RESCHEDULED

Solid Rock United Methodist Church reluctantly cancelled their FREE Soup For The Soul Supper on February 9th due to incoming bad weather. BUT it has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 23 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm at the Knight-Bergman Center. Please mark your calendar and we hope to see you then for a bowl of warm soup and lots of fellowship.

## FISH FRY

Huntington County Council on Aging presents their annual Warren Fish and Chicken Supper, by Dan's Fish Fry Services, Friday, February 12, 2010, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Knight-Bergman Center, Warren, IN.

We have kept our ticket prices the same, as last year, even though our costs have increased. We hope this will allow you to join this fun event with all of your friends. Tickets are Adults \$8.00, Children 6 - 12 \$4.25 and Children 5 & under FREE. \* Carry

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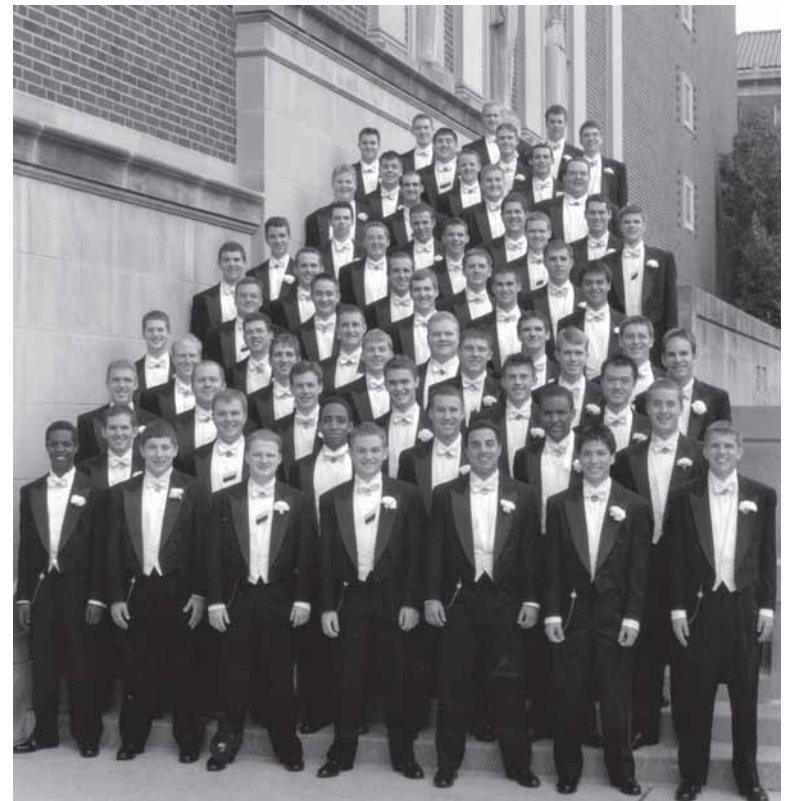
Tickets available at the Senior Center or from any Board Member. For more information, call 359-4410.

## NEW VISITOR'S GUIDE

In May the Huntington County Visitor & Convention Bureau will publish its second bi-annual Huntington County Visitors Guide, which will highlight all of the things you can see and do here in our county. We've partnered with Business People magazine (based in Fort Wayne) to accomplish the mission. We'll publish 50,000 copies of this high quality magazine.

Editorial content will include information about our area's attractions, such as the museums, lakes, State Parks, restaurants, accommodations, extensive genealogy center, championship golf courses, festivals, sporting events and activities that take place all year long.

To help kick off the Visitors Guide, distribution will include 21,000 copies to be mailed along with Business People and Fort Wayne Living magazines in May. Business People is mailed to 9,000 businesses in northeast Indiana, and Fort Wayne Living is mailed to 12,000 households in northeast Indiana with minimum annual incomes of \$150,000. Distribution of the remaining copies of the Visitors Guide will be handled by the Visitors & Convention Bureau, the Huntington Chamber of Commerce, 26 Welcome Centers throughout the state, other Visitors Bureaus in northeast Indiana along the I-69 corridor, and at Huntington County attractions and hotels.



## TO PERFORM AT HERITAGE POINTE

The Purdue Varsity Glee Club will be performing at Heritage Pointe on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the Applegate Chapel.

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Please give serious consideration to supporting the Visitors Guide. Advertising will not only be good for your business, it will be good for the entire county, as well. To learn more, please contact Rose Meldrum at the Huntington County Visitors & Convention Bureau at 800-848-4282 or [rmeldrum@visithuntington.org](mailto:rmeldrum@visithuntington.org), or contact Paula Kimmel at [spkimmel@comcast.net](mailto:spkimmel@comcast.net).

Deadline to reserve ad space is March 26th.

## BASEBALL MEETING

Huntington County Baseball Warren Team

If you are 9 or 10 as of 5/1/10 you are eligible to try out for the Warren Team.

There will be an informational meeting Feb. 13th, 6:00pm @ First Baptist Church, Warren.

You must pre-register with the Huntington Co. Baseball League before Feb. 25th.

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It is sent anywhere in the Continental United States for three (3) months for \$12, six (6) months for \$24 or \$48 for one year. Mail name, address, and payment to WARREN WEEKLY at: PO Box 695, Warren, IN 46792.

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Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop, mail to P O Box 695, Warren, fax to 260.375.7007 or email to [wwkly@citzn.net](mailto:wwkly@citzn.net). Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

PROS THANK YOU

Thank you so much to everyone who came to the recent Sunday Lunch at the Knight Bergman Center in Warren hosted by PROS (Parents Reaching Out at Salamonie School)! With your help the lunch was a huge success! In the past we have used funds generated from this lunch for scholarships, to purchase recess equipment and to make improvements to the Salamonie School woods. We are excited to see what great things we will be able to do in 2010! Again, thank you for your support!

WHY KEEP GOOD THOUGHTS A SECRET

by V. Neil Wyrick

One summer, a young college student spent two and a half months working in a far western logging camp. When the superintendent had to leave camp for a few days, he was put in charge of a crew. But before the boss left the young man asked him, “What if the men refuse to follow my orders?” “Fire them!” he was told.

Immediately it was the young man’s plan to get rid of Tony the first time he gave him any trouble. That is until the superintendent continued, “I imagine you’re thinking of getting rid of Tony, if you get half a chance. I wouldn’t want that. I have been logging for 40 years and Tony is the most reliable worker I’ve ever had. I know he seems to do nothing but get on everybody’s nerves and is considered odd by some, but he comes to work first and leaves last. I’ve never had anyone so enthusiastic. And there hasn’t been an accident for eight years on the hills where he works.”

The next day, when the young student began his reign as boss, the first thing he did was go to Tony. “Do you know I’m in charge here today?” Tony just stared and scowled. “I was going to fire you the first time you gave me any trouble, but I want you to know now that I’m not.” And then he shared what the superintendent had said. When he finished, Tony dropped his axe and tears began to stream down his face. In his broken English Tony said, “Why he no tell me dat eight years ago?”

That day Tony worked harder than ever before – and he smiled! The next morning he told the temporary boss, “Last night, I tell Maria you the first foreman in deese country to do something but complain about me. The very first who ever say, ‘Good work, Tony,’ and it make Maria feel like Christmas.”

The young man went back to school after that summer and forgot about Tony. Then, twelve years later he met him again. He was now superintendent of railroad construction for one of the largest logging companies in the West. Rogers asked him how come he had moved to California and what had happened to him to have such success.

Tony replied, “If not for the way you talked to me that morning, I think maybe I would have killed myself one day. I mean, you gave me love when everyone else was giving me “no like.” Those few minutes changed my whole life.”

A minute? Sometimes it can be an eternity while it is busy influencing a life. And what power it has, this giving compassion to another human being rather than “no like.” In this sometimes rude, crude world how much better to momentarily live tall and sun crowned above the crowd.

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Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor

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

**BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
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.

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199  
Pastor - William Shelor

Youth Leaders - Heath & Kelly Jones  
Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School .....10:40 a.m.  
Adult Bible Study ..... Sun 6:30p.m.  
Youth Group ..... Sun 6:30p.m.

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**HEALING WATERS MINISTRY — MAJENICA**  
Pastor Richard Evans  
260/224-3376

Sunday Service .....10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday .....7:00 p.m.

**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**  
8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779  
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.

**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.  
ThursdayPrayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

**NEW HOPE MINISTRIES**  
9019 E 300 S - Warren Indiana  
Jim Graham, Pastor  
260/494-6753 260/489-1456  
260/375-4224

Sunday School ..... 9:30am  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30am

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375-2510  
Rev Mark Davis  
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[www.hillcrestnazchurch.org](http://www.hillcrestnazchurch.org)

Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
Worship .....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.  
Youth Group (Wed.).....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Midweek Service.....6:30 p.m.

**SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST**  
227 N Main St, Warren, IN 375-3873  
Kathy Newton, Pastor

Sunday School .....9:00 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**  
Pastor Devin Cook

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**  
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 UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
375-2691  
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  
Pastor Scott Nedberg

Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
Junior Church ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

**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 FLOCK (Sun)..... 6:00 p.m.  
Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:00 p.m.  
UMW 2nd Wed ..... 7:00 p.m.  
[www.vanburenumc.org](http://www.vanburenumc.org)

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Nathan Ratcliff, Youth Minister  
Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes - Secretaries

Shanna Fortney, Bible School Supt.  
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Fellowship .....9:15 a.m.  
Worship & Communion .....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School .....10:45 a.m.

Youth:  
K-5th grade, Mon ..... 6-7pm  
Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm  
TNT, Thur ..... 6-8pm

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

Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
Worship .....10:15 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service..7:00p.m.  
[www.warrenwesleyan.com](http://www.warrenwesleyan.com)

**FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN 765-934-3609  
Pastor - Dan Metz

Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am  
Sunday School Classes .....9:30 am  
Youth Group .....6:00 pm  
Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm  
Thurs. Bible Study .....7:00 pm





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www.huntingtoncountybaseball.com for registration form.

Try outs will be held at HNHS gym on February 28th, 3-5pm.

If interested, contact Mike Spahr, 375-2447 or mmk@citiznet.com, or Mitch Trout, 468-2627 mjgdmtrout@yahoo.com.

VALENTINE'S DAY BRUNCH

Dogwood Glen and Kim's Katered Affair will be hosting Sunday Brunch on Valentine's Day, February 14th, from 11am - 1pm. Buffet menu includes: Sausage Gravy & Biscuits, Cheese & Vegetable Frittata, Swiss Steak with Gravy, Chicken Parmesan, Ham Loaf, Vegetable Lasagna, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Corn, Cauliflower with Cheese Sauce. Assorted Salads, Breads, Desserts & Beverages. Cost: \$10 for Adults, \$5 for 10 & under. Please call Dogwood Glen at 375-4750 for reservations. Carry-out is also available.

FLU SHOT CLINIC

The Huntington County Health Department will have an H1N1 Flu Shot Clinic at the Warren Pharmacy on Monday, February 22nd. from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. The H1N1 Flu shot is available to ANYONE FREE of charge. (The seasonal Flu vaccine is not available) If you have questions about vaccinations you may call the Health Department at 260-358-4831.

Residents of neighboring counties are welcome! You do not need to be a Huntington County resident.

This service is provided by the Huntington County Health Department. The Warren

Pharmacy is simply providing a location for this excellent service.

SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Pathfinder Services, Inc., a comprehensive human and community development organization, is offering FREE beginning sign language classes in their Huntington, Wabash and Plymouth offices this month.

The classes are being offered to all Pathfinder employees and the community. Class topics include understanding deaf culture, the history of sign language, and an introduction to the manual alphabet and basicsigns. Classes are for those who would like to learn basic sign for the first time, or just brush up on their skills.

The Huntington class will take place on Wednesday, February 17th from 12:30 until 2:30 P.M. at Pathfinder Services Annex location at 960 East State Street in Huntington. The Wabash class will take place on Thursday, February 18th from 9:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M. in the Pathfinder Community Supports office at 2049 South Wabash Street in Wabash. The Plymouth class will take place on Friday, February 19th from 12:30 until 2:30 P.M. in the Pathfinder Community Supports office at 1601 West Jefferson Street Suite 15 in Plymouth.

The classes are free but RSVP is required! Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, February 16th to Jenny Markley at Pathfinder Services, Inc. at (260) 356-1780 or e-mail her at jmarkley@pathfinder-services.org.

YOU'RE INVITED

This Friday 2/12/10 you are invited to each of the HOME Games for the Huntington Eagles and Lady Eagles Basketball teams, which will be played at the Salamonie School Gym in Warren, IN.

Friday 2/12/10, starting at 6:00 P.M. the Eagles will face the Kings Academy Knights. The Junior High Eagles will tip off at 6:00 PM, with the Varsity Lady Eagles following about 7:15 PM.

HOME Game admission prices are very family friendly, only \$2/ student, \$3/adult and \$8/ family. One admission charge for an evening of enjoyment. Delicious and Nutritious Concessions are available.

IMNP CLASS

If you would like to learn more about the natural world of Indiana, Upper Wabash Interpretive Services is holding an Indiana Master Naturalist class at the Salamonie Reservoir Interpretive Center, March 18 through May 13. Classes take place Thursday evenings from 6 to 9:15 p.m.

The Indiana Master Naturalist Program (IMNP) is a program developed by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and Purdue University Extension to provide education about Indiana's plants, water, soils and wildlife, and to promote volunteer service in local communities.

The class costs \$65, and is limited to 30 students. Participants must register by Feb. 26. For a registration form, or to learn more about the program, contact the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at

(260) 468-2127, Ed Farris of the Huntington County Purdue Extension Office at (260) 358-4826 or Jody Heaston, program coordinator at jheaston@dnr.in.gov.

Park entrance fees will be waived for class participants.

HCCF GRANTS

The Huntington County Community Foundation Inc. is accepting applications for its 2010 Cycle I unrestricted fund "Make a Difference" grants. The grants are awarded to not-for-profit charitable purposes that improve the quality of life in Huntington County.

The grants are available to charitable 501(c)3 organizations based in Huntington County.

Applications must be received at the Community Foundation office by April 12, 2010.

Awards will be announced in May 2010.

Funding for semi-annual "Make a Difference" grants comes from income generated by the Community Grants Unrestricted Fund of Huntington County Community Foundation.

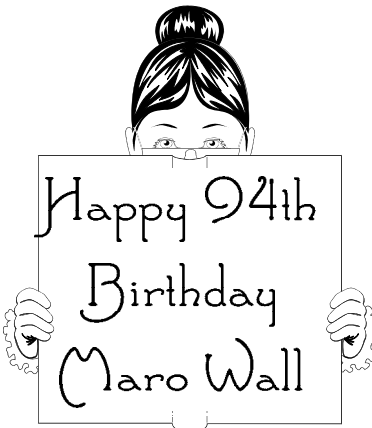
Community grants have been awarded twice a year beginning in 1997, with grants totaling more than \$817,760.

For more information, contact Marcia McClelland, Executive Director of the Huntington County Community Foundation, at 356-8878.

Applications may be obtained at the Foundation office, 356 W. Park Drive, or by visiting the Web site at www.hccfoundation.com.

FARM FRESH

The Blackford County Extension Service now has the 2010 Farm Fresh forms available to sign up for the Farm Fresh Directory for Blackford County and surrounding communities. This directory is perfect for local residents and consumers to find locally grown produce, flowers,



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and other farm commodities. The directory lists the grower/producer, products available, and their contact information. This is a great way to get your business growing. If you would like to be in the 2010 Farm Fresh Directory stop by the Extension Office, 119 N High St., to sign up. There is no cost to be in the booklet. Forms are due by March 1, 2010.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Jackson Township Euchre Club met at the home of Joan Huffman. Carolyn Carroll ' Mildred Gilbert, and Sharon Gebhart tied for most lones, Mary Jo Zoda won high and Phyllis Dickey won low. Others enjoying the evening were LuEllen Pond, Marge Jones, Jane Lieurance, Nancy Willman, Sue Coleman and Joyce Willman.

SIGMA PHI

The regular monthly business meeting of Beta Delta Chapter of the Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority was held at the Knight-Bergman Center on Tuesday, February 2, 2010.

Susan Ralston, president, opened the meeting with all residing the creed. Thirteen members answered roll call with a response to "Who was President when you were born?" Our saying for the month was 'Life is uncertain. Eat dessert first'. Some thank you

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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 12 Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb 14 Valentine's Day
- Feb 15 President's Day
- Feb 15 KBC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Feb 17 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
- Feb 17 Ash Wednesday
- Feb 22 Washington's Birthday
- Mar 3 Warren Chamber of Commerce, noon, Assembly Hall
- Mar 3 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
- Mar 8 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 5:00pm at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus

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notes were read for Christmas gifts received.

It was announced that the Alpha Province meeting for this year will be held in Shipshewana, Indiana, by the Gamma Iota Chapter of Elwood, Indiana, on March 19, 20, 21, 2010. Delegates to attend this meeting from Warren, will be Carol Irick and Sondra Zabel.

Scholarship forms are available at Huntington North High School and Southern Wells High School. Money was given to the Sigma Phi Gamma Founders Park located at Hartford City in memory of Margaret (Peg) Maddock.

Members present were: Sandy Booher, Opal Brubaker, Sandy Eichhorn, Sharon Gebhart, Suzette Gephart, Carol Irick, Tara Korporal, Beth Ostermeyer, Jenny Plummier, Susan Ralston, Sondra Zabel, Betty Yoder and Rosemary Zeller.

Next social meeting will be February 16, 2010 at 7:30 pm at our room in the Knight-Bergman Center. Our next business meeting will be held on March 2, 2010 at the KBC Center, at 7:30 pm.

### MUZZLELOADER CLASS

The Muzzleloader discipline of the Huntington County 4-H Shooting Sports program will begin classes on Tuesday, February 16, 6:00-8:00 pm at the Sportsman Club, 816 E 3rd Street, Warren, Indiana. Any youth interested in the muzzleloader discipline must complete the required paperwork, along with parent signatures and permission forms and pay the \$20 registration fee no later than the first muzzleloader meeting on February 16. Youth may also register at the Purdue Extension—Huntington County office prior to the first meeting.

For more information, contact the 4-H Muzzleloader leader, Paul Lewis, phone 260/468-2636 or the Purdue Extension-

Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson-Suite 202, Huntington, or call 260-358-4826.

### FAIR BOARD TO MEET

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Association will meet Tuesday, February 16 at 7:00 pm, Heritage Hall, Hier's Park, Huntington. The board will discuss continuing plans for the annual County 4-H Fair to be held July 16-30.

For more information, the Purdue Extension—Huntington County office at 358-4826, located in the County Courthouse Annex Building, 354 N Jefferson—Suite 202, Huntington or contact Linda Aldridge, Extension Educator 4-H Youth, at laldridd@purdue.edu.

### COWBOY GATHERING

Experience the allure of a western horseback ride at Salamonie Interpretive Center's Cowboy Gathering, Feb. 27, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Watch and listen as Sara and Duane Davis present a travelogue of their Red Rock Ride, Grand Canyon and Bryce Canyon horseback trip. Then enjoy a meal with other horse enthusiasts. Sloppy-Joes and drinks will be provided, but attendees should bring a dish to pass, and their own table service.

Register by calling (260) 468-2127, or visiting the Salamonie

Interpretive Center. There is no fee for this event.

For more information about this and other Upper Wabash Interpretive Services programs, visit [www.in.gov/dnr/uwis/](http://www.in.gov/dnr/uwis/).

There will be no park entrance fees at this time.

### DISABILITIES EXPO

On April 10, 2010 from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., Turnstone will host northeast Indiana's first disAbilities Expo at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum! The event is FREE!

The disAbilities Expo will offer something for everyone! disAbilities Expo 2010 will include:

- \* KEYNOTE Speaker Jude Stringfellow! Jude is the owner of Faith, the two-legged Dog. Join us to share in Faith's story—a miraculous tale of strength & acceptance!

- \* An Exhibitor Hall! Over 60 vendors who provide products and services to people with disabilities, hearing or vision loss, seniors and their caregivers will exhibit at the Expo.

- \* Free Workshops! Several workshops will be offered throughout the day. Topics addressed will be specific to the needs of people with physical disabilities, their caregivers and providers. Topics include universal design, canine companionship, social networking, health and recreation and new happenings in the world of therapy.

- \* Four Adaptive Sports Demonstrations, two Fashion Shows, and an Art Exhibition!

People with disabilities interested in exhibiting their art or creative work should contact

Jennifer Neher, Director of Development & Marketing at Turnstone at (260) 483-2100 or [jennifer@turnstone.org](mailto:jennifer@turnstone.org).

For more information on the disAbilities Expo, to become an exhibitor or to volunteer for the event, please contact Jennifer at 260-483-2100 or [jennifer@turnstone.org](mailto:jennifer@turnstone.org). disAbilities Expo 2010 is presented by Turnstone and sponsored by the AWS Foundation. For more information or to RSVP please visit, [www.turnstone.org/expo](http://www.turnstone.org/expo).

Pathfinder Services, Inc. is a partner agency for the 2010 disAbilities expo. For more information about Pathfinder Services, Inc. please visit [www.pathfinderservices.org](http://www.pathfinderservices.org). Pathfinder Services, Inc. is a comprehensive human and community development not-for-profit human services organization based in Huntington, where it was founded in 1966. In addition to Huntington County, Pathfinder Services also provides services in Allen, Wabash, Marshall and Starke Counties.

### AUTISM CARE TRAK

Each year thousands of child victims of Autism "bolt and run" leaving parents panicked and frantic. Sometimes children with Autism don't go very far, but still end up in dangerous circumstances. Search and rescue by family and law enforcement becomes an

urgent matter. There is help for special needs kids and their parents: Care Trak.

Care Trak is a telemetry-based tracking receiver that electronically tracks lost persons who are wearing the one-ounce transmitter. Care Trak is available only to special need kids and their parents; professional models are available to law enforcement officials.

Autism is a complex developmental condition that normally appears in the first 3 years of life. Incidents of Autism have soared in recent decades, doubling from 1 in 300 to 1 in 110 children.

"Care Trak focuses on serving these parents and caregivers of kids with Autism, families of those who have a tendency or pattern of wandering, and law enforcement agencies," said Mike Chylewski, Care Trak's Vice President of Operations. "Because kids with Autism have limited or no fear of danger, and have a high tolerance for pain, parents are understandably frantic to find their child. Care Trak is a source of action and calm in what is otherwise a frightening and urgent situation.

According to the Autism Society of America (ASA): "A Centers for Disease Control report found that 1 in 110 children in America today have an Autism spectrum disorder.

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### ASHCRAFT

Ellen Karen Ashcraft, 64, of Van Buren, IN, died at 6:00 AM Sunday, January 31, 2010 at her home with her husband and children by her side.



She was born Thursday, September 27, 1945 in Indianapolis, IN. She was raised in Petersburg, IN. and moved with Duaine to Van Buren in 1967. She was the daughter of the late George Hornbrook and the late Mildred (Carter) Hornbrook. She married her husband, Duaine Ashcraft, June 17, 1967 at the Main Street Presbyterian Church in Petersburg, IN.

She worked for Marion General Hospital for 16 years, retiring in 2001 to become a full time grandmother to 3 wonderful grandchildren.

During her life, Ellen involved herself in many organizations such as Job's Daughters, Psi Iota Psi, and Girl Scouts of America as a member and leader.

Ellen's enjoyments were traveling, being a wife to Duaine for 42 years and taking care of her children and grandchildren. She loved going on picnics, fishing, being outside and loved to entertain. Ellen was full of life, loved to care for others and always gave of herself. She will be so sadly missed.

Surviving are her Husband, Duaine Ashcraft of Van Buren, IN; Son, Dr. Cregg (Dr. Carmen Erosa) Ashcraft of Columbus, OH; Daughter, Christie (Robert) Livingston of Leo, IN; 2 Grandsons, Cameron Livingston and Landen Livingston of Leo, IN and Granddaughter, Ellie Livingston of Leo, IN; 2 Brothers,

Michael (Karen) Fauber of Greentown, IN, David (Georgia) Fauber of Amboy, IN; Sister, Pachia (Allen) Redington of Frankfort, IN.

She was preceded in death by her Mothers: Mildred Hornbrook and Mary Elizabeth Fauber and her Father: George Hornbrook.

Private funeral services were held at Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 10:30am with Rev. Steve Colter officiating. Interment followed at the Van Buren Cemetery in Van Buren, Indiana.

I Love You Ellen, Love, Duaine.

### PRESTON

Barbara S. Preston, 62, of Warren, passed away at 12:25 AM, on Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

She was born on Tuesday, January 6, 1948, in Warren. She was an Administrative Assistant for Phil & David Souder at Heritage Pointe and was a Childcare Provider for the last 7 years. She was active in the Solid Rock United Methodist Church, where she participated in the Praise Team, Youth Leadership, Shawl Ministry and S.O.S. at the church. She was a 1966 Graduate of Warren High School and had attended Ball State University. She married Bruce E. Preston on April 9, 1967 in Warren.

She was the daughter of the late Thomas Brown and Mary (Schweikhardt) Brown who survives. Survivors include Husband Bruce E. Preston. Mother-Mary (Schweikhardt) Brown of Warren. Son-Todd (wife, Shelley) Preston of Warren. Daughter-Tracee (husband, Steve) Pennington of

Poneto. Granddaughters-Mallory Preston and Casey Pennington. Grandsons-Cole Preston, Will Pennington, Evan Pennington, Trevor Pennington. Great Granddaughters-Jailynn and Alexis Chase. Brother-Tom (wife, Jan) Brown of South Bend. Several Nieces & Nephews. She was preceded in Death by her Father-Thomas Edwin Brown.

Arrangements were handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home. Services were held at the Solid Rock United Methodist Church, with Rev. Chip Gast officiating. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren.

In Lieu of Flowers memorials are to the Solid Rock United Methodist Youth and Solid Rock United Methodist Kids Caring with Cookies P.O. Box 322 Warren, IN 46792

### BANTER

Violet M. (Ritchey) Banter, 99, of Marion, IN, passed away at 7:05 PM, on Thursday, February 4, 2010 at Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN.



She was born on Thursday, December 29, 1910, in Dillman-Jackson Twp., Wells Co. IN. Mrs. Banter was a homemaker, and was an avid reader, quilter and loved to sew. She spent most of her life in Jackson Twp. in Wells County. She was a member of the Dillman United Brethren In Christ Church. She was also a member of the Dillman Ladies Aid and Church Missionary Society, and Jackson Twp. Home Ec Club. She had visited all 50 states and she enjoyed traveling.

She married Jason A. Banter

on August 30, 1930 in Bluffton, Indiana. He preceded her in death on January 14, 1985.

She was the daughter of the late William A. Ritchey and the late Sarah Pearlie (Williamson) Ritchey.

Survivors include: Sons-Jack R. (Wife, Ruth) Banter of North Manchester, Ind. and Rex J. (Wife, Michelle) Banter of Dillman, Ind., Daughters-Ellen I. (Husband, Gary) King of Fort Wayne, Ind., Ileen M. (Husband, Bill) Maxwell of Noblesville, Ind., Linda L. (Husband, Wendell) King of Bluffton, Ind., Joyce S. (Husband, Don) Thornett of Fairfax, Va., Joan A. (Husband, George) Springer of Bluffton, Ind. and Wanda K. Mason of Bluffton, Ind. and Several Nieces & Nephews. She is also survived by 19 grandchildren and 33 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in Death by: Husband-Jason A. Banter, Parents-William A. & Sarah Pearlie (Williamson) Ritchey and a Son-Gene A. Banter.

Arrangements were handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home. Services were held at Dillman United Brethren In Christ Church, with Pastor Dick Frederick, Pastor Dick Case and Pastor Larry Taylor officiating. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren, Ind.

Memorials to Dillman United Brethren In Christ Church, 8888S - 1100W-90, Warren, IN 46792

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### RICH

Mary Louise Rich, 83 of Huntington, passed away Saturday February 6, 2010 at 10:35 pm at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was a 1944 graduate of Lancaster High school, and worked as a voice coil supervisor at Utah-Pyle Industries for 31 years from 1958-1989. She was a member of Mt. Etna United Methodist Church, and enjoyed embroidery, crocheting, crossword puzzles, and jigsaw puzzles.

Mary Louise was born July 20, 1926 in Huntington County, the daughter of Raymond and Lilly (Burnworth) Landrum. She was a graduate of the 1944 class of Lancaster High School. On May 10, 1944 she married her beloved husband of 65 years Harold P. Rich in Huntington County and he survives in Huntington.

Also surviving are a son Don (Connie) Rich of Huntington, 2 daughters Judy Malchin of Wheaton, Illinois, Carol (Terry) Schoeff of Huntington, 8 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and 2 sisters-in-law Dorothy Landrum of Warren and Beulah Landrum of Wabash.

She was preceded in death by 4 brothers Dean Landrum, Paul Landrum, Wayne Landrum, and Myron Landrum and a sister Betty Warnock.

Services were held at Deal-Rice Funeral Home- Huntington Chapel, with Pastor Tony Johnson officiating. Burial was in Gardens of Memory.

Preferred memorials are to the Mt. Etna United Methodist Church c/o Deal-Rice Funeral Home, 338 E. Washington St., Huntington, IN 46750.

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### TOWNS

Georgia Lee Towns, 85, of Bluffton, IN, passed away at 6:50 AM, on Monday, February 8, 2010 at Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN. She was born on Thursday, March 6, 1924, in Henry County, KY. Georgia graduated high school in 1942 in Campbelsville, KY. She formally worked at Vogels Bakery and Vadas Posey Room. Georgia also helped with farming. She was a member of the Port Royal Baptist Church in KY and Montpelier Baptist Church in Montpelier, IN. She was also a member of the Millard-Brown-Montpelier American Legion Auxillary.

She married Earl E. Towns on September 20, 1974 in Montpelier, IN., he survives.

She was the daughter of the late Charles and Laura (Hawkins) Berry.

Survivors include: Husband- Earl E. Towns of Bluffton, Ind., Son-Jim (wife, Dottie) Irwin of Warren, Ind., Daughters-Sue Lynn (husband, Roy) Taylor of Fort Wayne, Ind. & Verna Lee (husband, Bill) Berry of Fort Myers, Fla. Step Son- Ralph (wife, Phyllis) Towns of Poneto, Ind., Brothers-Sherman Berry of Kentucky & Bobby Berry of Gas City, Ind., Sisters-Bulah Marsh of Kentucky, Linda Bates of Kentucky, and Ann Berrier of Kentucky, Several Grandchildren and Several Great Grandchildren.

She was preceded in Death by: Parents: Charles & Laura Mae (Hawkins) Berry, Son-Jerry Dee Irwin and Brothers-Parker, Gordon, Goble and Grant Berry.

Arrangements are being handled by Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 West Windsor Street, Montpelier, Ind., where the family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM Thursday, February 11, 2010. Funeral service will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 1:00 PM Friday, February 12, 2010, with Rev. Adam Carroll officiating. Interment will be at Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier, Ind.



### WEARLY

Sarah M. Wearly, 96 passed away January 29, 2010.

She was born September 22, 1913 to Opha A. Swaim Lightner and William J. Lightner in Hartford City, IN. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert E. Wearly, brothers, John Lightner, Thomas Lightner, sisters, Mary Brandon and Martha Bowne.

She is survived by daughters Carol (Jerry) Wilhems, Ann (Roby) Wood and son, John (Chris) Wearly. Also surviving are 13 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren.

Sarah graduated from Ball State Teachers College and taught for several years. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Hartford City, IN for more than 50 years where she served as deacon, Sunday school teacher, choir and chaired many Guilds and Westminister Associations. She was a member of The Research Club, Sigma Phi Gamma Sorority and DAR. She retired with her husband, Bob and moved to Green Valley, AZ in 1970 where she was a charter member of Valley Presbyterian Church. She enjoyed Garden Club and DAR. She and husband, Bob traveled extensively with The Good Sam Club and Rotary International.

Memorial services will be held in Green Valley on February 10, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Life Center of Valley Presbyterian Church. Entombment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery in the family mausoleum in Montpelier, IN at a later date preceding a memorial service at First Presbyterian Church in Hartford City, IN.

Memorials can be made to Valley Presbyterian Church, 2800 W. Camino Del Sol, Green Valley, AZ 85622, or First Presbyterian Church, 117 W. Franklin St. Hartford City, IN 47348.

Walker & Glancy Funeral Home 109 W. Windsor St. Montpelier, IN are in charge of local arrangements.

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ASA estimates that 1.5 million Americans and their families are now affected. Autism is a national health crisis, costing the U.S. at least \$35 billion annually."

Most kids with Autism are highly intelligent, physically active, observant and inquisitive. The phrase, "My kid's a Houdini" is common among parents of kids with Autism because their children find ingenious ways out of locked rooms, making their "bolt and run" behaviors a primary parental concern.

The user-friendly Care Trak home tracking equipment can locate a child with Autism up to one mile on the ground, day or night, inside or outside. It is mobile, so as soon as a parent realizes her child has bolted, she can take the receiver and go track him immediately. Care Trak is a telemetry-based tracking system, so obstacles or overhead cover, such as clouds, don't hinder it like GPS-based systems. Care Trak Home Systems are only available to parents of special needs children and not available to the general public.

"We heard from many customers who use the tracking system that we need to let more parents of kids with Autism kids know about it," Chylewski explained. "Caring for a child with Autism is a full time job. Care Trak can help ease some of the fears and frustrations parents experience when their child bolts and runs."

Care Trak, Inc. was established in 1986 as a spin off company of Wildlife Materials, Inc., an organization that designed and manufactured animal tracking devices. In 1988, the Federal Communications Commission granted Care Trak a license to operate as a telemetry system based on radio signals. CARE TRAK is the equipment used by hundreds of police, sheriff and public safety organizations that participate in the Care Trak

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program. Law enforcement agencies identify people who wander due to illnesses such as Alzheimer's, Autism and Downs Syndrome. Any law enforcement agency can implement Care Trak for search and rescue. Care Trak has been responsible for over 2000 rescues nationwide. For more information, call 800-842-4537, or visit [www.caretrak.com](http://www.caretrak.com).

### MAKE IT FUN AND THE FAMILY WILL HELP

by The FlyLady Marla Cilley  
As Sidetracked people, we are put off by anything that sounds like mundane housework! We are a fun loving people. Why do we have to be stuck doing jobs that we think will take us forever, when others are out having great time. I have heard you many times as well as my own voice. We have a challenge every day to muster up enough gumption to get us moving. This is why I have tried to make it fun.

Timers have added an extra bit of fun and challenge to a project, but they also keep us on track. We all need to be reminded from time to time what we are working on. We can stay focused if all we have to do is 15 minutes. Children love timers too.

House work is such an ugly word. This is why I have tried to help you realize that you are not working when you are blessing your family! We have been raised to believe that house cleaning is an all day affair. No one needs to spend that kind of time maintaining your home. When you establish your routines and start dancing through your day with every move blessing your family, it is not like work at all!

I have always hated to dust. My mother made us remove everything from the tables, then dust and put everything back; it took what seemed hours. Now all I do is pull out my magic feather dusting wand and buzz

around my home while I am on the phone and before I know it, our whole home, every surface has been dusted. No mess or fuss! It has been done and I felt like a fairy princess gliding and dancing around my home. When was the last time you had that much fun dusting.

If you take 2 minutes and feather dust every day, you will never have to see dusty finger streaks on your furniture. You know the ones where someone in the family writes, "DUST ME!" In fact you may never see dirt and dust again.

A real feather duster is a fun tool and mine even has some purple feathers in it. I feel so special when I use it. Just let me warn you, they can be addictive. When your family sees how much fun you are having, they will want to do it for you! This is kind of like Tom Sawyer whitewashing the fence. Children love them too; a tool becomes a toy that does a job in the hands of your babies. Of course, you have to set the example and teach them how to use it.

Have you ever wondered how to get your children excited about keeping their rooms clean? I have a friend who figured it out many years ago and now she is making it available to everyone. Her creativity has children cleaning their rooms all over the world. Pam Young created the persona of the House Fairy. Go check out this other great tool for our children; [www.HouseFairy.org](http://www.HouseFairy.org). Your children will run to clean their rooms.

Housework doesn't have to be dreaded, it can become a fun family game with everyone pitching in. You just need to make it enjoyable.

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group at [www.FlyLady.net](http://www.FlyLady.net) or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her New York Times

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### Ask SHIP

Q: I can't afford all of my prescriptions. Are there any programs out there that can help me?

A: You may qualify for help paying for your Medicare Part D drug cost and your Part B premiums. Indiana has programs that can help pay your Medicare expenses (like premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance).

The Medicare Savings Program (MSP) is a program through the Indiana Division of Family Resources.

Low Income Subsidy (LIS), also called Extra Help, is a program through the Social Security Administration.

Beginning in 2010, the asset limits for full Low Income Subsidy will match the asset limits for the Medicare Savings Program other than the "set aside" amount. This is a difference of \$1,500 that LIS allows for burial expenses.

Because the asset levels are basically the same for both programs, checking for eligibility for both LIS and MSPs at the same time is a much simpler process.

Now, when you apply for either LIS or MSP, your application will automatically be referred to both programs.

You may choose to "opt-out" on the application if you choose not to apply for both.

If you qualify for QMB, SLMB, or QI, you automatically qualify for extra help paying the costs of Medicare prescription drug coverage. It is possible that you can still qualify for the MSPs at the LIS amounts.

To apply for LIS, schedule an appointment with your local Social Security office, or to apply for MSP, schedule an appointment with your local Division of Family Services office. Both applications are also available online at [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov) and [www.in.gov/fssa/](http://www.in.gov/fssa/).

If you have questions or would like to learn more about LIS or MSP, call SHIP at 1-800-452-4800 or online at [www.medicare.in.gov](http://www.medicare.in.gov).

### IMPROVE YOUR RELATIONSHIP THIS VALENTINE'S DAY

(StatePoint) We often turn to greeting cards, flowers, and heart-shaped boxes filled with chocolates in attempts to improve our relationships and stoke the flames of love.

However, there is a lot more to a strong and healthy relationship than mere vegetation and sweets. So says Laura George, founder and president of The Oracle Institute, whose new anthology of essays and poetry, entitled "The Love: Of the Fifth Spiritual Paradigm," is being issued this Valentine's Day.

"When these four facets -- body, ego, soul, and spirit -- are fused and run through the heart, our romantic relationships thrive," adds Brenda Schaeffer, one of "The Love's" contributing authors. "But if these four facets are out of sync, if certain needs go unmet or old wounds go unhealed, our love relationships can become dependent or addictive."

Here are several ways to strengthen our most intimate relationships, according to the experts anthologized in the new book:

\* Don't Judge: At the end of a long day, most people simply want a partner who will listen to their problems without passing judgment or engaging in confrontation. As a result, a loving partner occasionally has to become egoless and simply act as a sounding board for their significant other. It's not the easiest thing to do, but it can prove critical in the success of a relationship.

"The hallmark of unconditional love is the absence of judgment, prejudice, and even preference -- a very high bar, indeed," says George, whose book provides insights on the subject of love from many notable twenty-first century thinkers, including

bestselling authors and Pulitzer Prize and Nobel Peace Prize winners.

\* Love Yourself Too: In order to be a true partner in any healthy relationship, one has to be comfortable in his or her own skin. That personal exploration can take place within the context of a relationship, but eventually everyone needs to take that journey alone. Doing so provides more balance to all our relationships.

"Proper love of self, and by that I mean an introspective and mature understanding of our interior motives and drives, is what defines an elevated soul," says George. "We cannot expect to receive more than we produce in terms of romantic and familial love, let alone the more advanced stages of love like compassion, until we master our ego."

\* Be Realistic: Even the most well-rounded and healthy relationship encounters tough times marked by tension and sniping. Dealing with these is as important to a relationship as appreciating the good times. By keeping the testier moments in perspective and resolving them properly, couples can achieve the empathy so elusive in many relationships.

While flowers and candy may provide temporary sparks, there are a number of deep emotional and psychological gestures which will strengthen the bonds of true romance with another soul. By pursuing these methods, our romantic relationships and our lives are vastly improved.

To learn more about "The Love," visit [TheOracleInstitute.org/love](http://TheOracleInstitute.org/love).

### ADVICE ON DONATING BY TEXT MESSAGE FOR HAITI RELIEF

(SPM Wire) Following the Haiti earthquake, many Americans are donating via text message. Experts are urging people to donate but remain cautious.

The BBB Wise Giving Alliance advises people to confirm the number directly with the source.

Also, text donations aren't

immediate. They take from 30 to 90 days to be transferred. To donate immediately, give online through the charity Web site, call it directly or mail a check.

Review fine print. When you give you might also be signing up for text message updates from the charity. Check details on the charity's site.

Research the charity. Giving wisely isn't just about avoiding scammers. Choose charities best equipped to help in relief efforts and that responsibly use the money for its intended purpose.

### WHAT TO DO IF YOU GET THE FLU

(SPM Wire) If you get sick with flu-like symptoms this flu season, you should stay home and avoid contact with other people except to get medical care, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Most people with the H1N1 virus have had mild illness and have not needed medical care or antiviral drugs and the same is true of seasonal flu.

Those who may want to seek medical attention if they get flu symptoms include children younger than five, people 65 and older, pregnant women, and those with certain chronic conditions such as cancer, diabetes and other disorders.



### MORE LILLY HONORED

the USS Salamonie Crew. The members of the USS Salamonie have donated several thousand dollars in postage for Mrs. Nutter's project.

Many local, and state VFW dignitaries were on hand to witness this award.

Lilly began sending packages, to our service men and women, seven years ago and still continues to do so. Most of the items being sent have been donated to Lilly specifically for this project.

Mrs Nutter celebrated her 97<sup>th</sup> birthday this past December with a birthday party hosted by members of the USS Salamonie.

### MORE GLEE CLUB

Purdue Varsity Glee Club represent different backgrounds and hometowns across the country, consistently maintaining a high level of academic excellence with majors ranging from engineering to education to management to biological sciences.

This dynamic musical troupe employs a versatile repertoire including gospel, vocal jazz, swing, contemporary hits, romantic ballads, classical choral selections, barbershop, folk melodies, patriotic standards, familiar opera choruses, country and novelty tunes, and utilizes small groups and outstanding soloists to further enhance each show.

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