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Thought for the Week: Take everything you like seriously, except yourselves. Rudyard Kipling



HOLIDAY WALK & FESTIVAL OF TREES

GINGERBREAD HOUSES

The 9th Annual Holiday Walk & Festival of Trees + Gingerbread Houses in downtown Warren hosted by Historic Warren Main Street has arrived! Join us on Friday, November 20th 5-8 for a stroll through our historic downtown and enjoy all the lights, sounds and decorations. There will be 32 trees for you to enjoy as you walk through town. Historic Warren encourages you to wear a mask and to social distance. We will have sanitizer stations set up throughout the downtown area.

Trees will be decorated by businesses, individuals, families and adult/youth organizations. Historic Warren Main Street will provide a map to locate all the trees. Maps will be located at the Town Hall Annex, Son-Rise Bakery, Golfo di Napoli Cafe and at Homespun Market. The Gingerbread House Contest has 14 entries this year. You can view a display of Gingerbread Houses at NAPA and other entries will be with their tree. The voting this year will be a walk through at the Town Hall Annex. Enter in the main door on Wayne Street and you will exit out the back door on 2nd Street. Place your vote as the entries of the Festival of Trees are vying for one of the 3 winning spots. The entries in the Gingerbread House Contest are vying for one of 4 winning spots. Each winner in the Festival of Trees will be receiving \$50 in Warren Chamber Gift Certificates. Each winner in each category in the Gingerbread House Contest will be receiving \$25 in Warren Chamber Gift Certificates. To vote for your favorite tree and your favorite gingerbread house, stop at the Warren Town Hall Annex during the event to place your vote. Voting will be a penny a vote. We will also have a

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LIGHTING CONTEST

Do you think you have the best Christmas Display in the Van Buren area??? Well now is your chance!

Registration is November 18th—December 5th.

Cost—\$10

Judging—Dec 9th

There will be a Judges Choice and a People's Choice award.

Judges Choice Prize \$50

People's Choice \$25

People's choice will be voted on during our Cocoa with Santa event on December 12th from 2-5 pm. Santa and Mrs. Claus will visit from 2-5 pm.

Winners will be announced at 5pm. People's Choice will be determined by a penny-a-vote system. Photos of the entries will be taken during the judging and will be voted on December 12th.

Checks can be made out to "Van Buren Popcorn Festival" and Registration can be mailed to:

Popcorn Festival Committee
PO Box 528

Van Buren, IN 46991

Questions - contact Linda Long

call or text 765-506-6837 or email

lindalong819@gmail.com

****If Cocoa With Santa has to be canceled due to COVID-19 the People's Choice contest will be determined by popular vote on Facebook****

TAB BEECHLER TO

PERFORM

Friday evening 11/20/2020, Tab Beechler will be at the Riverside Park Stage from 5:30-7:30 during the Holiday Walk in Downtown Warren, IN. Tab began playing the piano as a seven year old. He found that he had that special ability to play by ear. At nine he was performing in his Church, and at 15 he started playing with Gospel groups, such as the Gospel Crusaders, the Goodnews Quartet, the Northmen and the Perrys. His constant study of the Scriptures and his knowledge of many great Hymns, along with contemporary songs, give him a unique ability to create a musical & spiritual experience that will encourage your heart during this Holiday season.

SANTA AT THE CENTER

In action taken November 16, the KBC (Knight Bergman Center) Board of Directors cancelled the 'Santa at the Center' portion of Winter WarrenLand scheduled for November 27th. However, Santa will still be arriving in the downtown at 6:00 PM to light the Town's Christmas Tree and to greet and talk with children of all ages.

HOLIDAY DONATIONS

Dollar General is collecting hats, scarves, mittens and coats for Coats for Kids. They are accepting new and gently

used items. Sizes most needed are Children's size 6 through Adult Sizes.

They are also accepting Toys for Kids for the Bread of Life Food Pantry in Warren.

LETTERS TO SANTA

The holidays are quickly approaching and Son-Rise Bakery will have a mailbox that Letters to Santa can be dropped off in, starting November 20th! Parents can bring their kids in to drop off letters or write/color a letter in the store. No postage needed, just address to Santa Claus, North Pole and remember to put a return address. Each child that brings a letter to Santa's mailbox will receive a coupon for a free cookie! Parents don't forget your holiday treats! Son-Rise Bakery is taking orders for both Thanksgiving and Christmas-pies, candy, cookies, cinnamon rolls and more! Come in, drop off a Santa Letter, and order some treats!

NEW APP

The Evergreen Indiana Library Consortium is delighted to announce the launch of a new consortia mobile patron app. Available for both Android and iOS mobile devices, the app grants library cardholders the ability to log into and manage their accounts, search the consortium catalog, request

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THANK YOU

This is a thank you for everyone at Salamonie School for putting on a very nice Veterans Day program, especially with the difficult circumstances we have.

It was great & I really appreciated it.

Lynn Bonewitz, MSGT Retired

IDEAS FOR THANKING YOUR FAMILY

It's almost Thanksgiving. And although 2020 may have been a difficult year for you, as it has been for many people, you can probably still find things for which you can be thankful – such as your family. How can you show your appreciation for your loved ones?

Here are a few suggestions:

Invest in your children's future. If you have young children – or even grandchildren – one of the greatest gifts you can give them is the gift of education. You may want to consider contributing to a higher education funding vehicle.

Be generous. Do you have older children, just starting out in life? If so, they could well use a financial gift to help pay off student loans, buy a car or even make a down payment on a home. You can give up to \$15,000 per year, per recipient, without incurring gift taxes. Of course, you don't have to give cash – you might want to consider presenting your children with shares of stock in companies they like.

Review your insurance coverage. If you weren't around, it would leave some gaping holes – financial and otherwise – in the lives of your family members. That's why it's essential you maintain adequate life insurance. Your employer might offer a group plan, but it may not be sufficient to meet your needs. There's no magic formula for determining the right amount of coverage, so you'll have to consider a variety of factors: your age, spouse's income, number of children and so on. Also, you may want to consider disability insurance – if you were unable to work for a while, it could cause a real problem for your family's finances.

Preserve your financial independence. When your children are young, you take care of them. But you certainly don't want them to have to do the same for you – so it's essential you maintain your financial independence throughout your life. You can do this in at least a couple of ways. First, consider investing regularly in your 401(k), IRA and other retirement accounts. The greater your resources during your retirement years, the less you may ever need to count on your family. And second, you may want to protect yourself from the devastating costs of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay. A financial professional can suggest a strategy to help you cope with these expenses.

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 8013W 1100S -90, Montpelier
 Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship .. 6:30 p.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Harold Smith, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study 6:00p.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Chad Yoder, Pastor
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.

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

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp
 Handicap Accessible

HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —
5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA
 Pastor Wayne Couch
 260/515-2517

Sunday Prayer 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Daycare provided during Worship

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor

Worship Service 9:00a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00a.m.

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

1st Worship..... 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto
 Steve Sutton, Pastor
 765/728-2065 for more info

Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.

HERITAGE POINTE
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz & Dick Case

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

Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.
WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
 727 N Wayne St, Warren
 260-375-2811

office@warrenfirsbaptist.net
 Pator Rusty Strickler
 Youth Dir: Peter & Mindy Fairchild
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ...Sun 11:30
 Ekklesia Sun 6:30pm

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
 Pastor Steven Spencer
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Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST
 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN
 375-3873

Paul Burris, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington
 765.524.3390

Rev. Robert S Hallett, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays:
 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622

Aaron Westfall, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:00a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Tues. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Wed. Choir 6:30p.m.
 Monthly Meetings

1st Mon Ministry Team 7:00 p.m.
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am

4th Mon ABW 1:30 pm

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Pastor Diane Samuels

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

THE CHURCH AT MCNATT
 375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.

Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124

Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Youth 4-6 p.m.

Everyone is Welcome
SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
 468-2412

Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2102

Interim Pastor Troy Drayer
 Youth Pastor Troy & Mindy Drayer

Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.

Youth Sunday School during Worship Service

Youth Group-Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 765/934-3321 Parsonage

Jeff Slater, Pastor
 Jim Knight, Superintendent

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

Children's Church 10:30a.m.
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.

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

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 765-934-1431

Pastor Brad Hensley

Worship Service 9:30 am
 Sunday School 10:30am

Not Home Alone - Wed 3:00 pm
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:00 pm

UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 pm
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am

Just Older Youth 3rd Tue 12:00 pm
www.vanburenumc.org

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-3022

Ethan T Stivers, Senior Minister
 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister

Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.
 Tara Bower - Secretary

www.warrenchurchofchrist.org
 Fellowship 9:15 a.m.

Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 11 to 11:50 a.m.

Youth:

K-6th grade, Mon 6:15-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 260-228-9084

Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.

Wed Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
 765-934-3609

Pastor Al Soultz

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

Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study 7:00 pm



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AREA NEWS

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materials to borrow, and discover member libraries with ease. The app also features a digital library card replica which may be used in place of a physical library card and the ability to manage multiple accounts at once.

Patrons must have an active account with an Evergreen Indiana member library to use the app. If you are unable to login to the app, please visit Warren Public Library (260-375-3450) for assistance.

To access the mobile app, point your device browser to https://blog.evergreen.lib.in.us/?page_id=5017 or search for "Evergreen Indiana Library" in the Apple App store or Google Play store.

HOLIDAY CLOSURE

All Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) branches will be closed Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Branches will resume regularly scheduled business hours on Saturday, November 28.

For a complete list of branch locations and hours, to complete an online transaction, or to find a 24-hour BMV Connect kiosk near you visit IN.gov/BMV.

HOMESPUN

Homespun is looking forward to the Holiday Walk this Friday and we will be open until 8 p.m.! Come see our tree and shop while you're

here. In anticipation of the holiday season, preorders for your Thanksgiving table arrangement please order by Monday, November 23.

Created Décor & More has added new American Girl Doll clothes including Holiday dresses. There is a wide selection of different outfits and accessories that would make any little girl happy. Be an early shopper!

Some different items that just arrived in the store are small purses with matching face masks, fashion earrings with wood accents, cutting boards, porcelain ornaments, holiday towels, and don't forget the yummy candy!

Blue Poppy Design is offering grave blankets and shepherd hook fresh pine orbs for your cemetery needs.

Pre-order by Thanksgiving. Call us at 260-375-3200 if you prefer an appointment to shop. We want to accommodate you!

Remember we are open additional hours until Christmas! Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10-4, Saturday 10-1.

Come visit us at 427 North Matilda Street for all of your gift and floral needs. Homespun has various items for funeral tributes. Don't forget we deliver!

FEES RETURNED

The Bippus State Bank (BSB) was able to assist several not-for-profit organizations in the Huntington, Wabash, and Allen county markets with Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans through the Small Business

Administration (SBA). The Bippus State Bank President, Eric Fawcett, stated, "Not-for-profits play a vital role in our communities by continually providing a selfless and generous service to those in need. With COVID-19 affecting how these organizations typically raise funds, we wanted to assist them in any way possible. We decided that we would donate all the fees earned on the not-for-profit PPP loans to these organizations so they could use the funds where they are most needed within our communities."

In total, BSB has returned over \$18,000 in PPP fee income to the local not-for-profit organizations in the communities they serve. "This is what community banking is all about," says Fawcett.

The Bippus State Bank has a long history of promoting economic growth and stability within its communities while also serving and supporting them since 1911. Dedicated to building relationships, staying true to their roots, and providing 'banking at its best', The Bippus State Bank remains a locally owned community bank. The Bippus State Bank currently has offices in Huntington and Wabash counties.

NATIVITY WALK

Can you believe the Christmas season is upon us?

Here at SWCC, we are busily preparing for one of our favorite community events – our Live Nativity Walk. This is a FREE event.

We will have room for bus/van parking for groups.

Live Nativity
Dec 6, 2020 (Sunday)
5:30-8:00 PM
SWCC Ministry Center
9450 S 300 W Poneto IN 46781

SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

Due to Covid 19 the Warren Sportsman's Club will not be having a Free Soup Supper this December. We would like to have one in February or March of next year. Please watch the Warren Weekly for more details.

Since we always collect nonperishable food items and money donations for the Bread of Life Food Pantry. The Warren Sportsman's Club will be donating money and food items to the Food Pantry. We encourage the town and the loyal supporters of the Sportsman's Club and the Bread of Life Food Pantry to do the same. This is such a hard time for so many families this time of year, please don't hesitate to share with others.

Hopefully we will be able to have our Free Soup Supper at a later date. Thanks to all

who have always supported us and helped up to serve the community.

Have a great Thanksgiving and a Blessed Christmas.

CHAUTAUQUA

November 6 the Chautauqua Literary Club met at the United Church of Christ with 19 members and one guest attending. After President Sandy Thompson opened the meeting, the Collect was repeated by all and the business meeting called to order. A motion was made to raise the amount of gift giving to \$25, so a gift of that amount was sent to the Warren Library in memory of Harriett Tobias.

A discussion was also held to cancel meetings until Covid was over, or to hold the December meeting also at this church. It was decided to meet again with masks and social distancing if you are personally comfortable coming unless otherwise notified about a cancellation.

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Jeff's Farm Market
has moved inside
for the winter!
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Side Entrance

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Bulk Candies and Spices
Café Valley Baked Goods
Red Gold Tomato Prods
Clover Blossom Honey

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Tue-Wed-Thu 4-7 p.m.
Fri Noon-6 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Sun 1-5 p.m.
Check our Facebook for
Daily Offerings @
Jeff's Farm Market

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 canceled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Nov 20	5pm	W - 9 th Annual Holiday Walk & Festival of trees
Nov 26		THANKSGIVING
Dec 6	5:30-8p	Live Nativity SWCC Ministry Ctr, 9450S 900W Poneto
Dec 25		CHRISTMAS
Jan 1		NEW YEARS

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support
Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus
These Events Can Also Be Found at www.warrenweeklyindiana.com



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Freddie Couch turned the program over to Ruth Herring to speak about the work of 8 industrious ladies who form the group "Have needles, will sew!"

Ruth said it was so nice to be out with people again because the ladies have not been able to meet for as long as the Heritage has been closed down. They now work in their houses but it all comes together somehow.

The group of 8 work together and do service projects -- first for the people in the Home, and then for anyone who needs items. Their assortment of items, available to anyone who might want one or more, includes dolls and teddy bears for children in surgery, seat belt shoulder pads, breast cancer pillows, Christmas shoe box items, large cover-ups for cancer patients, cancer hats, and red, white and blue bed quilts for the Veterans in the Big House that are so appreciative of their own quilts.

All the material that the ladies use is donated. If you want to donate some material for an item that you want, they will make it by working out of their own houses. They actually prefer cotton material.

Ruth also has made creations on her own as she thinks of them! She has

created wall hangings, a medium size pocket for her fold-up cane and essentials as a purse, a small size picket for a cell phone, quilted purses and bags, fabric panels, flags and more. Beautiful Christmas gifts?

To contact Ruth Herring for information and items, call 375-3329 - leave a message on her answering machine. She will return your call.

Ruth is an extremely talented seamstress with a huge giving heart, as are all the ladies!

Sandy Thompson's message to us all -- "You are blessed with more than you ever know. Count your Blessings!"

Ann Spahr and Sandy Schwarzkopf were hostesses to Carmen Anderson, Janet Beavans, Nancy Bonham, Freddie Couch, Sharon Gebhart, Jean Grasmik, Linda Howell, Karen Hunnicutt, Suellen Jones, Judy Lewis, Bonnie Meyers, LuEllen Pond, Peggy Schweikhardt, Sandy Thompson, Kitty Throop, Betty Yoder, Ellen Laymon and guest Ruth Herring.

Have a safe and healthy Happy Thanksgiving.

FREE PACKING/SHIPPING MATERIALS

The Warren Pharmacy has plenty of extra materials for packing boxes and shipping your packages. Bubble wrap, bags of air, brown wrapping paper, styrofoam peanuts and empty small and

medium sized boxes are available FREE at the Warren Pharmacy.

We even have some small and medium styrofoam or insulated boxes, designed for refrigerated items, along with ice packs.

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, DOCTORS URGE PUBLIC TO MAKE SAFETY A TOP PRIORITY

(StatePoint) With COVID-19 infections at an all-time high, medical experts urge the public to make safety their number one priority throughout the holiday season.

"Nearly a year into this pandemic, people are yearning for a return to normalcy. However, COVID-19 cases are surging and with flu season already upon us, bringing together people from different households during the holidays is far too great a safety risk," says Susan R. Bailey, M.D., president of the American Medical Association (AMA).

During this unusual year, the AMA is sharing top tips for a safe and healthy holiday season:

1. It may not be the way you're used to celebrating, but consider limiting this year's gatherings to just the people who live in your household.

2. If you live somewhere warm, you may be able to add a few people to your plans, but only if your get together is outdoors and safely physically distant.

3. Take advantage of the video conferencing technologies available at

your fingertips to bridge the distance between you and family or friends. Whether it's watching holiday movies, unwrapping gifts or sharing recipes together, many of these traditions can still happen virtually.

4. Interested in holiday deals and discounts? Shop for bargains from home. And if you must go to the store in person and you're at-risk, check ahead of time to see if there are special hours for you.

5. Consider additional outdoor activities that can bring together other people in your circle without the dangers of dining inside. Go apple picking, leaf peeping or hiking. Think beyond the traditional holiday activities and start new traditions.

6. Disappointed that your usual large dinner is for a smaller group? You can still cook a large meal and share a portion with neighbors or friends. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends "delivering them in a way that doesn't involve contact with others."

7. Continue to follow everyday safety guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19: wash your hands, maintain physical distancing and #MaskUp.

More health resources, along with tips to prevent the spread of COVID-19, are available at ama-assn.org.

"Missing holiday traditions is difficult, but with top scientists and researchers working round the clock to combat this virus, I'm hopeful that by this time next year, friends and family will be together again, one way or another," says Dr. Bailey.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR SHARES DISTANCE-LEARNING TIPS

(StatePoint) School closures and hybrid learning models have forced educators, parents and students to adapt to new forms of learning; the impact of this is not to be underestimated. Teachers and parents around the country have expressed concerns about the accessibility and quality of education under these conditions.

Fortunately, new tools and educational resources are being made accessible to help tackle these concerns. "Teacher of the Year" and author Michael Bonner is sharing resourceful ways for educators, students, families and communities to address some of the common challenges associated with distance- and hybrid-learning.

1. Students: Create Personalized Workspaces: When students have a lack of comfort, stress has a way of compounding at an exponential level. To combat this, focus on the things that create a productive and inviting learning environment, like creating a workspace that is functional, fun and organized.

The good news is that it doesn't require many materials to create a DIY desk and it's a great activity to do together. Using science tri-folds and heavy-duty tape, parents and kids can create private cubicles that can be propped up on any surface and customized to their liking -- be creative and look to bring things into the space that will keep your child energized and motivated.

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GENEALOGY REPORT

DAY

William Edwin "Bill" Day, a longtime Bluffton resident, passed away Oct. 28, 2020, in his Roanoke home following a slow decline in health in the last 15 years.

Bill was born Aug. 16, 1946, in Wells County Hospital in Bluffton to Birdena N. Voigt and Charles E. Day. He was the valedictorian of his 1964 graduating class at Liberty Center High School and played basketball for the school team. He played on the team that famously held back Swayzee High School in a 1964 regional game that went into nine overtimes, setting the Indiana tournament overtime record in high school basketball that stands to this day. He was one of the players who valiantly kept that record-setting game going after the team's star player fouled out.

Bill graduated from Manchester College in 1968 and earned an MBA in finance from Harvard University in 1973. He worked as an accountant (CPA) for most of his professional career, including for Elizabeth Arden (New York City), Eli Lilly and Company (Indianapolis), and Town and Country Chevrolet, now Gates Chevy World (Mishawaka). He was an assistant professor of accounting at Manchester College, now Manchester University, from 1980 to 1984 and an associate professor from 1989 to 2006. During that time, he also was an independent accountant and continued to work in this field until his death. Clauser Furniture, owned by his lifelong friends Fred and Beth Clauser, was one of his most loyal and tenured clients of nearly 30 years. A faculty office was recently named in his honor in Manchester University's Chinworth Center, the new home of the Gilbert College of Business, donated by the Doug and Linda Kroll family.

A lifelong avid sports fan, Bill seldom missed football, basketball or baseball games while teaching at Manchester.

He also enjoyed cross country and tennis meets and at one time served as Manchester's tennis coach. During summer months, he traveled throughout the entire U.S., attempting to visit and attend games at every minor league baseball field in the country, an elusive goal as the number of fields grew exponentially with the rising popularity of minor league ball. He collected players' caps from each team he visited, and his collection of these caps may be unparalleled. He also enjoyed train travel and strived to cover every foot of passenger train rail in the country. In later life, he became a proud University of Virginia sports fan where his daughter, Allison, graduated from in 2017 and now works.

A member of the Liberty Center Baptist Church, he served as a deacon chair, finance secretary, and auditor until his death. This was his childhood church that he rejoined during his retirement years. In 2018, Bill achieved another lifetime goal, visiting Israel and the Holy Lands. His faith was extremely important and he attended Bible studies, Sunday School, and most church events if the doors were open and could usually be seen in a suit and tie. Palm Sunday was his favorite religious holiday. His preferred Bible was the King James version, which he read aloud everyday as a form of speech therapy after his stroke in 2005.

Bill is survived by his daughters Anna in South Bend and Allison in Charlottesville, Va.; his sister, Joyce (Dennis) Accavallo of Bluffton; and his sister-in-law Pam Day-Meadors. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Kent Day.

Family will receive friends from 12 to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Liberty Center Baptist Church, followed by funeral services at 2 p.m. with Pastor Aaron Westfall at that location. Burial will take place at Mossburg Cemetery

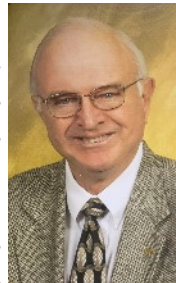
immediately after the services.

The safety of the family and all visitors is our utmost priority. For everyone's safety, we ask that you practice social distancing. Masks are required for viewing and services. We appreciate your cooperation and patience.

The family requests, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to Liberty Center Baptist Church or Children's Hemiplegia and Stroke Association (CHASA) – an organization that benefited his daughter, Anna, who survived a stroke at birth: www.chasa.org

BONHAM

Richard R. Bonham, 92, of Warren, IN, died Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2020, at 12:11 p.m., at Heritage Pointe in Warren.



Mr. Bonham was a Warren Church of Christ member and elder, a 1946 graduate of Warren High School and a Purdue University graduate with the class of 1950 with an agriculture degree. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1951, serving as an executive officer for three years in the Korean War, where he earned a Bronze Star. He farmed in Huntington County and had a Registered-Angus herd of cattle. He spent 28 years at Heritage Pointe, working night maintenance. He was also a member of the National Angus Association, Kiwanis and Sportsman's Club. He was also an Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ACSC) field man and was a T-Bone 4-H Leader for 15 years. He was a member of the American Legion Post 183 Warren, before ultimately transferring to Van Buren.

He was born on Oct. 21, 1928, in Huntington, to Elijah and Hattie Schiling Bonham. He married Cynthia Wiley on Feb. 20, 1966, at the Warren Church of Christ. She

preceded him in death on Sept. 18, 2017.

Survivors include his daughter, Rose A. Carroll, of Huntington; a daughter in law, Lana Myers, of Warren; a sister, Carolyn Grigsby, of Illinois; five granddaughters, Amy Vance, of Fort Wayne, Leslie Snively, of Glenview, IL, Lindsey R. Blinn, of Warren, Haley Leon, of North Manchester, and Kelsey A. Hayes, of Fort Wayne; a grandson, Wesley Carroll, of Columbia City; 10 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson.

In addition to his wife he was also preceded in death by a son, Brian J. Myers.

Calling will be held on Sunday, Nov. 15, 2020, from 2 to 6 p.m., at the Warren Church of Christ, 302 N. Wayne St., Warren.

A funeral service will be held on Monday, Nov. 16, 2020, at 11 a.m., at the church, with calling one hour prior. Rev. Gerald Moreland and Rev. Ethan Stivers will officiate. Burial will follow in the Thompson Home Cemetery in rural Warren. Arrangements are being handled by Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in Warren.

Memorials may be made to the Warren Church of Christ or Huntington County 4-H Beef Association.

BIBERSTINE

Marcile Biberstine went to be with her Heavenly Father on Tuesday evening, Nov. 10, 2020. She passed away peacefully at Christian Care Retirement Community in Bluffton at the age of 102.

Born on June 16, 1918, in Union Township, Wells County to Cletus and Dessie Miller Platt, she was married for 70 years to her husband Lloyd Biberstine, who preceded her in death in 2010. She is survived by five children: Richard (Judy) Biberstine of Bluffton, Barbara (Lynn) Burroughs of Fort Myers, Fla., Judy (Roger) Summers of Fort Wayne, Becky (Bob) Gibson of Fort Wayne, and William (Renee) Biberstine of Decatur, plus 13

grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by a sister, Edith Harvey of Roanoke.

A sister, Gladys Haiflich, and a brother, Darl Platt are deceased.

She attended Liberty Center High School, and later in life also attended Huntington College studying elementary education. She served as a substitute teacher at Adams Central Elementary School. She participated in educational and school activities throughout much of her life. She was also an avid fan of Indiana Hoosier basketball and the New York Yankees.

Marcile was very proud to be a devoted wife, mother, and homemaker. She demonstrated a life worth celebrating. Her love of cooking always made her the perfect hostess for family and other events. She was a member of the Home Forum Club for many years. She was also active in her lifelong church, Six Mile, where her faithfulness and devotion always showed the commitment of a servant's heart.

Marcile will be remembered for her dedication to her Lord and her family, whom she both deeply loved. With her beautiful spirit, she always thought of others needs before herself. She was a prayer warrior with uncompromising faith. Always soft-spoken, she exhibited unconditional love, and a Christ-like attitude in all that she did. Heaven has gained another angel, and all here are better off for having known her. May her spiritually committed life and her strength of character continue to live on through others.

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Burial will take place at Six Mile Cemetery in Bluffton. Memorials may be made in Marcile's name to Christian Care Retirement Community.

SMITH

Arleen G. Smith, 95 of Bluffton, passed away on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, at Christian Care Retirement Community in Bluffton.

Arleen was born on Aug. 9, 1925, in Wells County to Howard D. and Masy R. (Houtz) Gilbert. She was a graduate of Rockcreek High School in 1943. Arleen married Jack W. Smith on Jan. 12, 1947, in Uniondale. He preceded her in death on May 5, 2003.

Arleen worked at the Old First National Bank in Bluffton working in the Trust Department for 30 years, and a teller for 25 years. Arleen was a member of the Liberty Center Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women's Group. She had served as the church organist since 1947. Arleen also volunteered with the Wells Community Auxiliary at the reception desk and at the Bargain Hut. She was also a member of the P.B.S. Club.

Arleen is survived by her children; Judy A. (Roger) Lothamer of Markle, Jon W. (Brenda) Smith of Monroe, and Jeff H. (Kay) Smith of New Haven, along with five grandchildren, Matthew (Anne) Lothamer of Newburgh, Ind., Jason Lothamer of Westfield, Ind., Jenny (Chris) Withem of Morristown, Tenn., Brooke (Greg) Groombridge of Fort

Wayne, and Andy (Stacey) Smith of Berne, along with eight great-grandchildren.

Arleen was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her sister J. Cecile Hite.

A Private Celebration of Arleen's life will be held at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Six Mile Cemetery in Bluffton. Memorials in Arleen's memory may be made to the Liberty Center United Methodist Church.

GORDON

Karen L. (Rice) Gordon, 76, of Albany, formerly of Hartford City, passed away at 4:08 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, at Albany Health Care.

She was born on Friday, Dec. 17, 1943, in Washington Township, Blackford County.

Karen attended the Washington Township schools and Hartford City High School.

She had worked at Pierce Governor, Upland, United Methodist Memorial Home, Warren, and for the vending company at General Motors.

Karen enjoyed crocheting, fishing, gardening and her cats and loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Loving survivors include her sons, Jack (Tammy) Moore, of Montpelier, and Lloyd Ira Moore, of Dunkirk; daughter, Pamela (Martin) Ingram, of Montpelier; son-in-law, Jay D. Miller, of Dunkirk; sister, Madonna (Max) Jones, of Hartford City; brother-in-law, Ron Hartley, of Hartford City; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Karen was preceded in death by her father, Lloyd Ira Rice, mother, Elsie Lois (Harrold) Rice, former husband, Jack Moore, daughter, Judith K. Miller, and sister, Judith Hartley.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier, on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A service to celebrate Karen's life will follow at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, with Ryan Ingram officiating.

Interment will follow in Hartford City Cemetery.

Preferred memorials may be made to Blackford Animal Shelter, c/o Pam Bonham, P.O. Box 70, Hartford City, IN 47348.

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2. Parents: Increase Communication Touchpoints: With most schools operating through some variation of distance- or hybrid-learning, communication is a key asset for parents. Staying in regular contact with your child's teacher can help you better understand and track how your child is performing and get ahead of any potential issues or concerns.

Parents should feel empowered to reach out to their child's teacher for progress updates or to address any areas of confusion with class schedules or assignments. Something as simple as sending a bi-weekly email with questions could help improve the overall experience for you and your child.

3. Teachers: Keep Kids Engaged: Teachers can break

up the day by infusing different educational games and hands-on learning opportunities like 3M Science at Home. This online STEM video series is a great example of how students can tap into their curiosity about the world around them. By discussing observations and giving kids a chance to ask questions and come up with solutions, teachers and parents can foster a growth mindset while keeping kids engaged.

4. Community: Working Together to Improve Educational Access and Equity: COVID-19 has forced organizations, businesses and education systems to continue functioning. Unfortunately, educators are facing a huge wall as roughly 15 percent of U.S. households with school-age

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While options may vary based on a school district's ability to provide resources, parents can reach out to their local community boards and school districts to see what options are available to them. Some schools are creating hotspots or are teaming with local libraries and community partners such as churches and businesses to extend their connections.

As we all adjust to new educational models, ensuring learning is engaging and fun doesn't have to be challenging, it can start with just a few simple techniques. Whether you are modifying a space to be more inviting for learning or finding supplemental, interactive activities to break up the day, diversifying your approach will help students better retain information and grasp new concepts while having fun.

DIY WEATHERIZATION TIPS TO KEEP YOUR HOME

COZY ALL SEASON LONG

(StatePoint) As temperatures fall outside, it's time to get ready for the chillier months ahead. Most homeowners want to keep their home cozy and their heating bills low during the winter, but struggle to keep the warmth in and the cold air out. Weatherizing can seem daunting, but there are many benefits -- from reducing drafts to lowering energy use. Follow these low-cost tips to protect your home and your wallet.

Give Windows a Makeover

Windows add charm to any residence and provide protection from the outdoors, but also account for a significant amount of heat loss in the winter. Heat gain and loss through windows account for 25% to 30% of residential heating and cooling energy use, according to the U.S. Department of

Energy. Even if your windows are in good condition, window insulation kits are easy, do-it-yourself solutions that will save you from sky-high heating bills, keep you comfortable and help with energy efficiency all winter long.

Try Duck Brand Max Strength Rolled Window Insulation Kits, which add a barrier and create an airtight seal between the outdoor air and your home's inside. The film comes with a pre-taped edge for quick and easy roll-on installation.

Want to check and see if you have a problem with insulation? Hold an incense stick near windows, doors and electrical outlets. If smoke blows sideways, you have an air leak.

Deal with Drafts

Doors are one of the largest sources of drafts in any home and should be a top priority for homeowners this winter. From draft seals to door sweeps, there are many DIY weatherization solutions to choose from that are easy to install and don't require measuring or tools. Draft seals slide under doors, are removable, machine washable, pet-friendly and don't damage door frames. For example, Duck Brand's Double Draft Seal insulates your door from both sides and blocks winter drafts, dust, insects and pollen for year-round protection.

Don't Let Air Sneak Through Cracks

While you're at it, it's a good idea to check for any cracks and gaps around doors and windows that can lead to heat loss. Weatherstripping doors and windows can save homeowners money. In fact, air sealing an old or drafty house can save up to 20% on

your heating bill, according to the U.S. Department of Energy. While there are a variety of gap seals to choose from, rubber gap seals can stand up to extreme temperatures that cause other seals to freeze or crack. Duck Brand Heavy-Duty Weatherstrip Seals work well for sealing large gaps or sprucing up old or damaged door and window seals.

For a project selector, articles, how-to guides and instructional videos for more DIY weatherization inspiration, check out Duck Brand's Weatherize page at duckbrand.com/weatherize.

Don't wait for the cold weather to set in. Weatherizing your home can be an affordable and easy do-it-yourself project that anyone can tackle. Ready to get organized?

5 FLU SEASON TIPS TO KEEP YOUR HOUSEHOLD HEALTHY

(StatePoint) Flu season is here, and amid the COVID-19 pandemic, it's even more important than usual to take steps to avoid getting sick. Here are five top tips to help your household stay healthy:

1. Wash hands regularly: Make sure every member of the household washes their hands regularly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds each time. This is especially important to do after getting home, before preparing food and after using the bathroom. Even with regular hand-washing, it's still important to avoid touching your mouth, nose and eyes.

2. Guard against germs: Cold and flu viruses can survive on household surfaces long enough for germs to spread. However, cleaning surfaces with an effective disinfectant can help put a stop to germ transfer. The

good news is that you don't need harsh chemicals.

Inspired by nature, ARM & HAMMER Essentials Disinfecting Wipes, a citrus-based disinfectant, can be used around kids and pets and cleans without harsh chemicals. Safe for use on a range of surfaces, including stainless steel, sealed granite, hardwood, tubs, shower walls, classrooms and gym surfaces, use these wipes to disinfect kitchens, bathrooms, pet areas, non-porous surfaces car interiors and other frequently-touched areas of your home.

In the never-ending battle against germs, this is an invaluable tool to have on hand, as the wipes kill 99.9% of viruses (including cold and flu viruses and human coronavirus), 99.9% of bacteria, MRSA, streptococcus, staphylococcus, E. coli, salmonella and klebsiella pneumoniae. To learn more, visit armandhammercleans.com.

3. Load up on veggies: A nutritious diet can help keep you vital during flu season. Pack a range of immunity-boosting

vitamins, minerals and antioxidants into just one meal with a hearty stew of potatoes, carrots, green leafy vegetables, broccoli, beans and lentils. To eliminate pesticides, wax and soil from produce, include a vegetable wash in your meal prep routine, which can be more effective than water alone.

4. Supplement your diet: Consider incorporating a dietary supplement into your family's daily routine that contains vitamin C, zinc and other immunity-boosters.

5. Practice healthy habits: Getting regular exercise, staying hydrated and getting plenty of shut-eye are all proven ways to protect your health. Be sure to practice these healthy habits.

As COVID-19 continues to place substantial demands on hospitals and healthcare resources, staying healthy and protected against the flu is especially vital. Take steps to boost your immunity and stop the spread of germs.

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special award in the tree contest selected by 2020 Miss Warren, along with a special award in the Gingerbread House Contest selected by 2020 Junior Miss Warren and 2020 Little Miss Warren.

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Create an estate plan. To leave a legacy to your family, you don't have to be wealthy -- but you do need a comprehensive estate plan. You'll have to think through a lot of questions, such as: Have I named beneficiaries for all my assets? How much do I want to leave to each person? Do I need to go beyond a simple will to establish an arrangement such as a living trust? For help in answering all these issues, you'll want to work with an attorney.

By making these moves, you can show your loved ones, in a tangible way, how much you value them -- and that can help you keep the spirit of Thanksgiving alive all year long.

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