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Thought for the Week: If you wouldn't write it and sign it, don't say it. Earl Wilson

## FREE SOUP SUPPER

As part of its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, Jefferson Center United Methodist Church invites the community to "SOUP for the Soul," a free soup supper, on Wednesday February 20 at the Knight Civic Center. The supper is a celebration of thankfulness for God's faithfulness to the church over the last 75 years. Serving will begin at 5:00 p.m. and continue until 6:30 or until the kettle is empty. This is not a fundraising event, and no donations will be accepted. Please come, bring the whole family, and help us celebrate.

## TRACTOR MEETING

Warren Antique Tractor Club meeting will be on February 3, 2002 at Gary Endsley's, located at 6871E 600N, Van Buren, IN at 2:00 p.m.

## ZZ TOPPS AT UMMH

ZZ Topps will be in Fellowship Lounge at the United Methodist Memorial Home on Friday, February 1, 2002 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

There will be a few ready-made scrub shirts available for sale and swatches of fabric to look at. All scrub shirts are \$15.00. If you provide your own fabric (2 yds) the cost will be \$10.00.

These shirts also make great aprons at home, craft shirts for kids and terrific gifts for that medical person in your family.

We specialize in whimsical and seasonal patterns. Come check out the Valentine's and St. Patrick's Day patterns.

## 4-H WRANGLER MEETING

The Grant County 4-H Wranglers will have its orientation meeting on Monday, February 11, 2002 at 7-8 p.m. in the small room of the 4-H Community Building. Enrollment forms will be available at this meeting.

Also second meeting scheduled for the 4-H Wranglers will be held on Monday, February 18, 2002 at 7-8 p.m. in the small room of the 4-H Park Community Building.

If you are interested in 4-H Horse & Pony project for the 2002 4-H year, please try to attend the meeting on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

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Customers may also print package services labels with electronic Delivery Confirmation. The electronic rate of 12¢ is charged when the parcel is mailed, still a large savings over the retail rate of 50¢. And you can use the Web site to figure your postage, order stamps, buy merchandise, get the latest

postal news and much more.

Electronic Delivery Confirmation is ideal for small businesses and e-bay sellers to track delivery of their parcels and Priority Mail. Be sure to use it for your next mailing.

## MARQUARDT

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are now available for the Marquardt Farm Scholarship. The scholarship is open to students studying agriculture at any Purdue University campus. Applicants must be residents of Wells Adams, Allen, Dekalb, Huntington, Noble, or Whitley counties. Approximately 50-75 scholarships (\$300 - \$500) will be awarded.

The scholarship fund was created by Bert Marquardt, a farmer in Allen County who donated his 210 acre farm in 1974 to Purdue University so that 50% of the yearly profit could go to School of Agriculture scholarships.

Through the years, several hundred students have benefited from the scholarship fund thanks to the vision and foresight of Bert A. Marquardt.

For an application, contact a high school guidance counselor or the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412. Application forms are due April 1. Details on this scholarship and others can be found at [www.agriculture.purdue.edu/oap](http://www.agriculture.purdue.edu/oap).

## EXTENSION ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Janet Ayres will be the featured speaker at this year's Wells County Extension Service Annual Meeting, Monday, February 11, 2002 at 6:30 PM.

The event will begin with a free spaghetti supper, followed by a short business meeting and the featured speaker. Meal reservations can be made by calling the Wells County Extension Service, 824-6412.

Janet Ayres has been fascinated and concerned with the changes in rural communities since she was a teenager on a dairy farm in Carroll County, Indiana. The controversial public issues she witnessed in her community inspired her to devote her career to Purdue University to developing educa-

tional materials, services and programs that build the capacity of citizens to affect the future of their communities. Her research, extension and teaching activities focus on the areas of leadership development, community development and public policy. Janet was a leader and collaborator in developing several state-wide programs including the Indiana Ag Leadership Program and "Take Charge", a program which has been adopted in several other states. Janet has worked in over 200 rural communities in Indiana and has published over 90 publications on leadership, rural development and public policy.

After being appointed Extension Assistant Director and Program Leader for Leadership & Community Development in 1996, she initiated and provided leadership to the Purdue Extension Land Use Team. She also provided program leadership and staff development to the county Extension Educators who work in this area. She resigned this administrative position in 2001 to refocus her work on community leadership development. Currently, she is developing the Purdue Extension Leadership Development Team and completing the publication of 24 core competencies in community leadership. She is also developing a new course in leadership development to be offered the 2002 Spring Semester to Ag Econ seniors.

Janet has a great interest in international work. She has traveled to over 50 countries on study tours and has conducted leadership and rural development programs in Poland, Hungary, and Russia.

Janet has received many awards including the Sharvelle Distinguished Extension Specialist Award, the Extension/Public service Award from the Rural Sociological society, the Frederick L. Hovde Award for Service to Rural Indiana, and a fellow in the Kellogg National Leadership Program. Through this program, she studied leadership in emerging democracies as countries were making a transition in the early 1990's.

On the local level, Wells County was a participant in the Take Charge Program developed by Dr. Ayres and she also wrote and

helped develop some of the early survey work with the Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Park.

Ayres will be speaking on "A New Kind of Community Leadership."

For more information about the meeting, which is free and open to the public, and to make a meal reservation, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412.

## TEEN SUMMIT FEB. 16<sup>TH</sup>

Youth in northeast Indiana have the opportunity to attend the 4-H Teen Summit on Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM - 5 PM at the League for the Blind & Disabled Meeting Room, 5821 S. Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne.

Featured seminars at the Summit will include: Personal Leadership Styles, TEAM (Together Everybody Achieves More), Habits of the Heart - Youth Philanthropy, and Community Service - Youth Can Make a Difference.

Participants will have an opportunity to interact and meet other teens through several action-oriented activities. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

For more information and to reserve a spot, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 260-824-6412.

## GIRL SCOUT COOKIES

As American as mom's apple pie and baseball, it's time for the annual Girl Scout cookie activities in Northeast Indiana.

Selling Girl Scout cookies helps girls gain real life skills such as money management, decision making, and goal setting. The beneficial effects are evidenced by the fact that many of today's businesswomen cite selling Girl Scout cookies as their first step toward successful careers.

As Northeastern Indiana's Girl Scouts gear up for their annual cookie activities, Sherri Weidman, Executive Director, Girl Scouts of Limberlost Council says, "This year, more than ever, girls are relying on the accepting and nurturing environment that Girl

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## KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

### THANK YOU

I wish to thank all of my family, friends and neighbors for their cards, flowers, and prayers and rides to the hospital, following my surgery. I also wish to thank all who prayed and are still praying for my grandson's recovery from his gunshot wound I feel very strongly that those prayers are what brought my grandson thru this ordeal. He still needs lots of prayers in his struggle to learn to talk, walk and learn to care for himself. Thanks to all of you again.

Barbara J. Falk

### AMONG IRS RULE CHANGES FOR 2002

#### MILEAGE-RATES RISE

The standard rate for business use of a car rose to 36.5 cents a mile on January 1, up from 34.5 cents in 2001. This rate is used to figure tax deductions for business travel as an alternative to deducting actual costs.

The standard rate for use of your car for medical reasons, or when computing deductible moving expenses, increases to 13 cents a mile for 2002, up from 12 cents in 2001.

The standard rate for use of a car to provide services to charities remains at 14 cents a mile, as set by law.

#### LIMITS FOR RETIREMENT SAVING

Changes to retirement savings rules will allow all savers, beginning January 1, 2002, to save more money in their tax-deferred accounts. Individual Retirement accounts (IRAs) were limited to \$2,000 a year in contributions. In 2002, the cap is at \$2,500, with an additional \$500 being allowed for 2003, 2004, and 2005. In 2006, an additional \$1,000 per year will be allowed, according to The Wall Street Journal.

In 2002, the limit individuals can contribute to 401(k) accounts rises by \$500 to \$11,000 not counting employer contributions. In subsequent years the limit escalates by \$1,000 per year until a \$15,000 cap is reached in 2006. People over age 50 can employ catch-up rules that allow them to set aside an extra \$5,000 a year.

#### GET YOUR TAX-CUT CHECK?

Some 295,000 tax-cut checks were returned to the government as undeliverable. If you didn't get yours, call the IRS at (800) 829-1040 to ask why.

It's too late to get the check now, but you can claim the tax-cut benefit when you file your 2001 income tax return.

The IRS also says it has 95,600 income tax refund checks that were returned last year. They average \$927 each.

### MONEYWISE

#### DIRECT DEPOSIT OF TAX REFUNDS

Last year 34 million taxpayers told the IRS to deposit their tax refunds into their bank accounts. That represented only 36 percent of taxpayers who earned refunds. Financial advisors say direct deposit is a good idea for several reasons. First, you get your refund much faster and safer than if you rely on the mail. Second, your refund check won't be returned as undeliverable. The most common reasons for returned checks:

- Taxpayers had moved and not informed the IRS of their new addresses.
- Taxpayers' handwriting was illegible. If you move after mailing your tax return, notify the U.S. Postal Service or file IRS Form 8822.

#### PARENTS' LONG-TERM CARE

The high cost of nursing home care can quickly wipe out a parent's savings. Some adult children are buying long-term care policies to protect their own resources.

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Mike Helms, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.  
Youth Hours ..... 6:00p.m.  
Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.  
Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.

#### CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana  
765-934-2199

Rev. Pat Mullen, Interim Pastor

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

#### THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica

Rev. Gus Hacker

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.

#### MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST

260/468-2148

Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

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

#### JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST

Corner of 900S & 300W

Kathie Jones, Pastor

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

#### WARREN UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor

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

#### WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-3022

Stephan Leininger, Pastor

Becky Hartley, SS Supt.

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

#### DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

8888S 1100W-90, Warren

375-2779

Lynn Mefferd, Pastor

Jim Pryor, Associate Pastor

Sun - Pastor's Prayer Closet... 7:30a.m.  
1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.  
Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.  
2nd Worship Service... 10:30a.m.  
Youth Group (Jr/Sr)..... 5:30p.m.  
Prayer Service ..... 6:30p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ..... 9:00a.m.  
Adv. Club (4yr-6th)..... 6-7:30p.m.

#### McNATT UNITED METHODIST

375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor

B. Morton, 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.

#### WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330

www.hows.net/46792WCT

Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor

Wesley Welch, Supt.

Sue Brown, Children's Ministry

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.  
Children's Church ..... 10:15 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00p.m.  
Thursday Bible Study ..... 7:00p.m.

#### LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH

694-6622

Interim Pastor Dan Sommer

Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship ..... 9:55a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:15p.m.  
Mon. Bible Study (women).... 9:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.

#### SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN

468-2412

Mark S. Bendes, Pastor

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

#### BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

758-2085

Nathan Doyle, Minister

Sandy Keplinger, Supt.

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

#### LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Bard, Pastor

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

#### HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

375-2510

Bill Keen, Pastor

Ed Kessler, Assoc. Pastor

Bus Service 375-2510

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
Youth Group (Sun.)..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Midweek Service..... 7:00 p.m.

#### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2102

Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor

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

#### THE NEW BEGINNING

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Steve Sutton, Pastor

765/728-2065 for more info

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

#### WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.

Pastor

Sandy Richison, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Youthquake (grades 7-12).... 6:30 p.m. Sun  
Wednesday Prayer Mtg ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Exercise Class (Tues/Thurs).. 7:00 p.m.

#### VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

765-934-2031

Pastor Blake J. Neff

Youth Pastor Adam Pierce

Worship Service ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.  
UMYF ..... 6- 7:30 p.m.  
Prayer-Bible Study (Thur)..... 7:30 p.m.

#### BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor

Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.

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

#### HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST

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765/664-8726

Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

1st Worship..... 8:20 a.m.  
2nd Worship..... 9:45 a.m.  
3rd Worship ..... 11:11 a.m.  
Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

#### PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2691

Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Church ..... 11:00 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.  
Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME

CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings ..... 7:00 p.m.

#### SUNDAY: OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

#### MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN

Wayne Wright, 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.

#### ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST

8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier

Pastor - Steve Gray

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:45 a.m.  
Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship ..... 6:30 p.m.

Attend the Church  
of your choice



## AREA NEWS

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Scouts provides. We want girls to know that Girl Scouting will be here for them, no matter what, and so it is important that the community continues its tradition of strong support of the Girl Scout cookie program."

All the proceeds from this activity stay here in the Fort Wayne and surrounding areas (Allen, Adams, Wells, Dekalb, Huntington and Steuben counties), directly benefiting all of the Girl Scouts in our community, including the Girl Scout troop or group you buy Girl Scout cookies from. For instance, troops plan events, trips, and service projects throughout the year and use the money they earn through the Cookie Program to fund these activities. The girls choose how they will spend their money.

If Northeast Indiana Girl Scout cookie orders will be taken from February 1 to March 24, 2002.

Girl Scouts of the L'SA is the world's pre-eminent organization for girls, with a membership of more than 3.7 million girls and adults. Girl Scouting helps cultivate values, social conscience, and self-esteem in young girls, while also teaching them critical life skills that will enable them to succeed as adults. In Girl Scouting - and its special girl-only environment - girls discover that fun, friendship, and power of girls together. More than 50 million girls have grown up into confident and strong women since Girl Scouts of the USA was founded 90 years ago.

### SHUMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

The Huntington County Community Foundation is offering Charles A. Shuman Family Scholarships.

The Charles A. & Wilma E. Shuman Scholarship, James C. & Nancy (Shuman) Breiner Scholarship and Scott C. Breiner Memorial Scholarship are available for Huntington North High School graduating seniors and to non-traditional students. Non-traditional students are those who did not attend college immediately after graduating from high school.

The Huntington County Community Foundation Shuman Family Scholarship Fund Committee will determine the number of scholarships to be awarded and the amount of each scholarship. To qualify, an applicant must be a Huntington County resident, a high school senior or a non-traditional student enrolled at a four-year Indiana college or university as a full-time student for the fall semester. Preference will be given to applicants planning to attend the University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne, Huntington College, Taylor University, Manchester College, Indiana Wesleyan University or IPFW.

Applicants must have a grade point average of 2.0 (a "C" average). All applicants will be considered. Preference will be given to students pursuing a teaching career. Business Education majors will be given first preference, other Education majors will be given second preference and majors in other fields will be considered.

Criteria for the scholarships are financial need, scholastic achievements, school related extra curricular activities, community involvement, qualities of character and leadership. Scholarship recipients who successfully complete their college freshman year will be eligible to reapply for the scholarships.

Shuman Family Scholarship applications are now being accepted. The deadline for application is March 28, 2002. Application forms are available at Huntington North High School guidance office or by calling Marcia McClelland, Community Foundation executive director, at (219)356-8878.

Residents of southwest Huntington County, Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Shuman are farmers in Huntington and Wabash counties. The Breiners reside in the same area. Mrs. Breiner, a graduate of Huntington Co. Community High School, holds a B. S. and M.S. degrees in Education from the University of Saint Francis. She has been a lifetime teacher of business, computers and physi-

cal education at Northfield High School in Wabash County. A native of St. Marys, OH, Mr. Breiner, is a computer systems analyst and a graduate of University of Saint Francis. The Scott C. Breiner Memorial Scholarship is in honor of Mr. & Mrs. Breiner's son.

### FAMILY DAY AT THE DENTIST

As part of National Dental Health Month, the Huntington County Dental Society is again sponsoring "Family Day at the Dentist," on Saturday, February 2, 2002. This year's event marks the 21st anniversary of "Family Day at the Dentist." The Society estimates that nearly 4000 Huntington County families have been served over that time.

"Family Day at the Dentist" is designated as an opportunity for individuals or families without a family dentist to have a free visual evaluation of their oral health and establish a relationship with a local dentist according to Huntington County Dental Society spokesperson Dr. John B. Regan.

The Huntington County Dental Society and the American Dental Association use this month to provide public health information on the importance of good oral health and preventive care. "Dentistry's message that almost all dental disease is preventable is particularly relevant at this time when the nation is trying to control health care costs." Says Dr. Regan. He indicated that dental disease cannot be cured at this time but it can be controlled if patients would control plaque, reduce or eliminate sweets use fluorides, apply sealants and see their family dentist at least twice a year. Family Day at the Dentist is an opportunity for the entire family to start to take advantage of preventive care that is available.

Any family or individual wanting to participate in "Family Day at the Dentist" may do so by calling 356-6119 any day next week between the hours of 9:00 and 4:00 for an appointment.

Huntington County dentists will also be participating in "Dentists

With a Heart." This is a national program whereby free dental care is provided to needy individuals on Valentine's Day. To participate in this program, families or individuals must make an appointment for Family Day at the Dentist.

### DIPLOMAS FOR INDIANA VETERANS

The search is on!

The Huntington County Veterans' Service Office, in cooperation with the Huntington County School Corporation is looking for county veterans who quit high school during past wartime periods to enter the Armed Forces of the United States, and therefore did not graduate.

Eligible veterans could be awarded their high school diploma under a Concurrent Resolution passed last year in a joint effort of the Indiana House and Senate. In the resolution, the two branches encouraged Indiana municipalities to voluntarily award the diplomas pending passage of state legislation. This year, the legislation is covered in House Bill 1079 and Senate Bill 273.

The time periods are very specific and cover World War I veterans through the Vietnam War. The veteran could be eligible if he or

she quit high school and entered the service anytime between the following periods (service overseas is not necessary);

World War I: Apr. 17, 1917 to Nov. 11, 1918

World War II: Dec. 7, 1941 to Dec. 31, 1946

Korean War: Jun. 27, 1950 to Jan. 31, 1955

Vietnam War: Aug. 5, 1964 to May 7, 1975

The veteran (or the survivor, if the veteran is deceased) must complete an application, attach a copy of their military separation papers and forward them to the Indiana Department of Veterans' Affairs, located in Indianapolis. The veteran or survivor can elect to have the diploma issued by the school corporation in the county where he or she would have graduated or from the Indiana Department of Education and must certify that he or she was a student in good standing at the time they entered the service and that they entered prior to the date they would have graduated.

The program also applies to veterans who later obtained a high school general equivalency diploma, or GED.

Huntington County is currently gathering information on how

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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 included.

Jan 25	Warren Recycle Day
Jan 28	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall Annex
Feb 15	Fish/Tenderloin Supper at KCC, 4 to 7 p.m. Htgn Co. Council on Aging
Mar 22	Salamonie PRO's Carnival: food 5:15-7, games 6-8
Mar 26	Fish/Chicken Dinner at KCC - Spons: Jeff. Ctr. UM Men's Fellowship
May 4	Jefferson Alumni Banquet at KCC, Contact Steve Holmes 375-2766
May 11	Warren Alumni Banquet - contact Jim Howell 375-3048 for reservations

**Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 6pm, Sat 10 - noon at KCC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KCC StoryTime at Warren Public Library - Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. Walking in the Gym - 6am - Noon Mon - Fri**



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many Huntington County veterans, regardless of where they may be presently living, could be eligible for this diploma. To obtain an application, obtain further details or just report the fact that you or a deceased veteran may be eligible, contact the Huntington County Veterans Service Officer, Tom Applegate, at 260/358-4863.

### NEW AT WPL

New books received at the Warren Public Library include:

Adult fiction – Conflict of Interest by Rosenberg; White Shell Woman by Doss; The Fourth Perimeter by Green.

A set of children's books in the History Mysteries series with such titles as Hoofbeats of Danger, The Smuggler's Treasure, Voices at Whisper Bend, Enemy in the Fort, Watcher in the Piney Woods, Shadows in the Glass House and more have also been received.

Adult non-fiction – Fabric Crafts by Grant; Mrs Paine's Garage and the Murder of John F. Kennedy by Mallory; The USS Arizona by Jasper; Big Game Small World A Basketball Adventure.

Children's Books – Burp: The Most Interesting Book You'll Ever Read About Eating; Stop, Drop and Roll; Andy Russell, Not Wanted by the Police; Paws & Claws; I Wonder; What Zoo Keepers Do; Kipper's Snowy Day

Teen – Soldier Boys by Hughes; Osama bin Laden, a War Against the West by Landau; The Haunting Hour by Stine; Skeleton Man by Bruchac.

### 4-H HAIR RAISERS

The Huntington County 4-H Hare Raisers Association met recently at the Family Living Building in Hiers Park with 40 adult and 4-H members in attendance. The adult officers were announced for the 2002 year. President is Mike Branstator, Vice President is Becky Witt, Secretary is Stacey Branstator and Treasurer is Tiffany Saunders. Board of Directors elected were Tim Fitch, Marvin Langston, Bruce Ormsby, Tammy Ormsby, Lynette Walter and Leslie Zahm.

The Huntington County 4-H Hare Raisers Association was formed by a group of interested adults who wanted to promote the 4-H spirit and rabbit project in our county. The county association is chartered with the American Rabbit Breeders Association. The Hare Raisers include both a 4-H youth and adult club.

The club is sponsoring its first annual open and youth rabbit

show, Sunday, Feb. 10 in Heritage Hall at Hiers Park. Judging will start at 9:00 a.m. The public is invited to attend the show. Thirty-two breeds of rabbits are sanctioned to be shown.

All profits from the show, raffle and concession stand will go to improvements of the 4-H youth rabbit project. The 4-H rabbit project continues to be one of Huntington County's most popular 4-H projects.

For further information on the show schedule and entry fees, or to make contributions please contact any of the Hare Raiser officers or board members. Or contact Bruce Ormsby the 4-H and Show Superintendant at 758-9255 or email him at [rabbitjudge@excite.com](mailto:rabbitjudge@excite.com).

### TWO FOR ONE

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Indiana is currently seeking married couples to volunteer through the Big Couples program. Volunteers are asked to spend time with their Little Brother or Sister two to four times a month. The Big Couple program can be a rewarding and fun way to spend time with your spouse while at the same time doing a tremendous service for a child who needs adult mentoring.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Indiana (an affiliate of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America) serve Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Kosciusko, Noble, Wells and Whitley counties. Last year alone, the agency served more than 600 area children, providing each with a unique opportunity for friendship and mentoring. Big Brothers Big Sisters is recognized as the nation's foremost mentoring program for children.

With so many negative influences pressing on today's kids, having positive adult role models is an important factor in how children fare in life, now and in the future. To help make a difference in the life of a child, call 888-456-1600 or visit the web site of [www.bigbrotherbigsister.org](http://www.bigbrotherbigsister.org)

### ISA SCHOLARSHIP

Huntington County Sheriff Rod Jackson announced today that the Indiana Sheriffs' Association will again be awarding college scholarships to qualified high school seniors or college students who are pursuing a degree in criminal justice studies. There will be approximately 40 - \$500 scholarships awarded to qualifying students throughout the state.

The Indiana Sheriffs' Association Scholarship Fund was established for the purpose of receiving, investing and dispensing of funds to provide college scholarships to qualified students who are committed to pursuing an education and career in the law enforcement field.

To qualify for one of these scholarships, the applicant must be an Indiana resident, be a member of the association or a dependent child or grandchild of a current member of the association, attend an Indiana college or university, major in a law enforcement field and enroll as a full-time student (12 hours).

Applications needed to apply for the scholarships are available from your high school counselor, the sheriff's office or by writing to the Indiana sheriffs' Association, Post Office Box 19127, Indianapolis, Indiana 46219, and requesting an application form. The applications must be completed and received by the Indiana Sheriffs' Association on or before April 1.

### GIVE REGULATORS POWER

INDIANAPOLIS - Legislation that will be heard Tuesday in the House Commerce Committee is critical to the future of competition in the Indiana telephone industry. The Indiana Alliance for Telephone Choice ([www.telephonechoice.org](http://www.telephonechoice.org)) said today.

HB 1116, sponsored by state Rep. Craig Fry, D-Mishawaka would give the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) the ability to fine public utilities up to \$25,000 a day for failing to comply with IURC orders or rules.

"Because the Commission's powers to enforce its ruling are so

limited, monopoly telephone companies have been able to thumb their noses at consumers with impunity," IATC Executive Director David Dawson said.

In his testimony to the Regulatory Flexibility Committee of the Indiana General Assembly last August, IURC Chairman William McCarty said enforcement power was a key to creating a competitive atmosphere in Indiana telecommunications.

The reason why enforcement power is so important is that the existing monopolies have no interest in allowing competition," Dawson said. Just last week, the Federal Communications Commission proposed a \$6 million fine against SBC/Ameritech the telephone monopoly that serves 98 percent of the residential consumers in the Indiana portion of its five-state region.

The FCC alleged that SBC, one of the nation's largest local telephone companies, failed to comply with certain pro-competitive actions set out as a condition of approval for its takeover of Ameritech in 1999.

In addition, SBC/Ameritech was fined more than \$1 million in November 2001 for failing to meet requirements for wholesaling its services to potential competitors in its five-state region. Out of that million dollars, Indiana fines totaled just \$3,188. "The low level of fines in Indiana does not indicate that SBC/Ameritech has behaved itself in Indiana," IATC's Dawson said. "It simply shows that the IURC has little ability to penalize SBC."

In Illinois, which adopted a strong enforcement law, SBC/Ameritech was fined \$374,556 in November. In Michigan, SBC/Ameritech was fined \$442,794 and in Ohio, SBC/Ameritech was fined \$208,401.

"SBC/Ameritech likes to say that its can be fined under its Opportunity Indiana agreement with the IURO, but that's misleading," Dawson said. "Those fines are for service quality issues only. Anti-competitive behavior is not covered."

The Indiana Alliance for Telephone Choice is a coalition of consumers and businesses dedicated to creating a competitive environment for local telephone service in Indiana. Its members believe that competition will produce the best products and the best service at the best price for Indiana consumers.

### SCHEELE APPOINTED TO BMV

INDIANAPOLIS— Governor Frank O'Bannon appointed Ray Scheele as the newest member of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles Commission.

Scheele is a professor of Political Science at Ball State University and served as department chair for 10 years. He has previously taught at Chicago's DePaul University, Purdue University - Calumet, Indiana University - Kokomo, Indiana University - East in Richmond, University of Illinois - Chicago and Anderson University.

He was formerly president of the Indiana Society of Public Administration.

"I have published and taught in the areas of public administration and state government, and will draw on this experience to assist the Commission," said Scheele.

Scheele believes that now, more than ever, is an opportune time to get involved in public service because of the public's increasing interest in government agencies and what they do.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Scheele is vice-president of the Muncie-based consulting firm: Waggoner, Irwin, Scheele and Associates, Inc.

"We are very fortunate to add Mr. Scheele to the Commission, especially at such an exciting time," said Coleman. "His experience in both the public and private sectors will be an asset to our group as we begin implementing new policies and procedures in our license branch system."

Scheele holds a bachelor's degree in government from Valparaiso University and a doctorate in political science from the University of Missouri - Columbia.

### DEAN'S LIST

Jacob DeWeese, son of George and Cheryl DeWeese of Warren, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the 2001 Fall Semester.

Jacob attends Northeastern A & M College in Miami, Oklahoma. Jacob is majoring in Farm and Ranch Management, and is also a member of the College Rodeo Team



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# GENEALOGY REPORT

## LEAS

Barbara J. Leas, 62, rural Warren, died at 7:35 a.m. Saturday (Jan. 26, 2002) at her home.

Mrs. Leas was a graduate of Warren High School and had been employed at Southern Wells High School for many years. She was a member of and treasurer for Asbury United Methodist Church, Montpelier, where she was a member of United Methodist Women.

She was born May 6, 1939, in Warren, to Earl and Erma McIntire Crispin. Her marriage was Dec. 6, 1956, in Warren, to Jack L. Leas. He survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Dave Leas, Mark Leas, and Dennis Leas, all of Montpelier; two daughters, Mrs. Terry (Gwen) McElhaney, Montpelier, and Mrs. Greg (Nancy) Slentz, Hartford City; 17 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; three brothers, Richard Crispin and Ronald Crispin, both of Bluffton, and Robert Crispin, Huntington; and four sisters, Mrs. Robert (Bernice) Shideler, Warren, Mrs. John (Doris) Willett, Roanoke, Mrs. Max (Colleen) Hodge, Alexandria, and Joyce Brockup, Tulsa, Okla.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Paul Crispin and Ed Crispin, and a sister, Carolyn Cook.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, with Rev. Joe Haney officiating.

Burial was at Asbury Cemetery, Montpelier.

Preferred memorials are to Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana, 265 W. Water St., Berne, or Asbury United Methodist Church, 7193W-1100N-90, Montpelier, IN 4739.

## BROWN

Alvin Gene Brown, 71, Umatilla, Fla., a former resident of Warren, died at 2 p.m. Sunday (Jan. 20, 2002) at his residence.

Mr. Brown was a 1948 graduate of Salamonie High School. He lived in Warren most of his life, moving to Florida in 1996. He was a member of the Warren Wesleyan Church.

Mr. Brown was born May 9, 1930, in Huntington County, to Jesse James Brown and Mary Alberta Walters Brown. He married Melva Eileen Beeman Aug. 16, 1952, in North Vernon; she died April 2, 1995. He married Mary Lewis Poor in Bluffton in November of 1996; she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Alvin Gene Brown II, Warren, and Rick Brown, Three Rivers, Mich.; two daughters, Mrs. Larry (Pamela) Day, Peru, and Mrs. Howard (Sandra) Vaughn, Bluffton; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother, George Brown, Warren; and a sister, Mary Brown, North Vernon.

There were no calling hours. A memorial service was held with Rev. Bill Barlow officiating. Burial was at the Redman's Cemetery.

Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown and Son Chapel, Warren, was in charge of arrangements.

## SCHOEFF

Nova Schoeff, 96, died at 10:15 a.m. Tuesday (Jan. 22, 2002) at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren, where she was a resident.

Mrs. Schoeff was a longtime resident of Jackson Township, Wells County, where she lived at 8813S-900W until moving to the Methodist Home. She had been a homemaker and worked for the Home for 20 years as a nurse's aide. She attended Dillman United Church of the Brethren in Warren and was a 1924 graduate of Warren High School.

Mrs. Schoeff was born on Oct. 20, 1905, in McNatt to David Harrison and Anne Carnes Coffield. She married Carlin Schoeff on Sept. 6, 1933, in Covington, Ky. Her husband preceded her in death on June 2, 1977.

Survivors include a son, Kyle Schoeff, Marion; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A son, David Schoeff, and two sisters, Lona Mitchell and Nettie Custard, also preceded her in death.

Services were held at the United Methodist Memorial Home with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren. Preferred memorials are to Dillman Church or Gideons International.

Glancy Funeral Homes H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, was in charge of arrangements.

## SWAGGER

John Howard Swagger, 88, 11453 E. 400N, died at noon Saturday, January 26, 2002 at home.

He was born September 10, 1913 in Van Buren to the late Ira and Clara (Schweikhardt) Swagger. He was a lifelong resident of Van Buren. He owned and operated his own dairy farm. He married Wilma (Kilander) on Sept. 10, 1938, in Huntington. She died in 1998. He was a school bus driver for many years. He also was a semi-pro boxer in Golden Gloves. He taught Sunday school at Dillman United Brethren Church for many years. He was a devoted Christian, loving father, husband, and grandfather.

Surviving are two sons, Mike (Chris) and Rick (Linda), both of Van Buren; three daughters, Linda (Claude) Rust, Marion, Judy (John) Feters, Wolcottville, and Cathy (Denny) Moorman, Fairmount; a brother, Dale, Van Buren; 16 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by a sister, Berlie M. Banter; and a brother, Ira C.

Services were held in Dillman United Brethren Church, with the Revs. Eric Himelick, Lynn Mefferd and Mike Helms officiating. Burial was in Van Buren Cemetery.

Visitation hours were held at Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St. Van Buren.

## WEARLY

Robert E. Wearly, 88, a Green Valley resident for 32 years, passed away on January 1, 2002.

He formerly was from Hartford City, and had owned and operated the Wearly Monument Co. in that state.

He was a member of the Rotary Club and Valley Presbyterian Church for more than 50 years. At the church he had been a deacon and an elder. He also had belonged to the Men's 260 Club and the Horseshoe Club.

He was preceded in death by his brother Joe, and sisters Elizabeth and Jean.

He is survived by his wife Sarah; daughters Carol (Jerry) Wilhems of Green Valley and Ann (Roby) Wood of Straughn, Ind., and son John (Christine) Wearly of Daleville, Ind., and 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 PM Saturday, February 2nd at First Presbyterian Church, 117 W. Franklin, Hartford City, Ind. There will be a time of visitation for friends and family following the service at the church.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church and the Rotary Club both of Hartford City.

## BIRTHS

**Jeffrey and Jennifer (Farmer) Van Auken**, Huntington, are the parents of a son, Brendan Michael Van Auken, born at 10:23 p.m. January 1, 2002 at Parkview Huntington Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds at birth.

Grandparents are Barbara Hadley, Huntington, Amos VanAuken, Hillsdale, MI and Bonnie and Larry Farmer, North Manchester. Great-grandparents are Wilma Seabolt, Huntington and James and Alberta Bolding, Warren.

**Mr and Mrs Craig (Deeda Overholt) Snow** of Markle are the parents of a son, Corbin Allen, born at 8:33 p.m. Tuesday, January 8, 2002. He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and measured 21 3/4 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Dennis (Anne) Overholt of Markle, Patricia Snow of Warren and the late David Snow. Great-grandparents are Mr and Mrs Lloyd (Mary) Overholt of Markle, Annabelle Steiner of Bluffton and Luella Brames of Fort Wayne.

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### TRAIN CLASSES

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Classes include classroom instruction and hands-on practice in train operations, signaling and switching, and an introduction to diesel and steam locomotive operation.

The Whitewater Valley Railroad is a non-profit organization operated entirely by volunteers. All volunteers are qualified only for the Whitewater Valley Railroad by attending our training school. These classes are open to the general public. A \$15 donation is requested to help cover the cost of class materials.

The South Connersville Yard Office is located on Indiana 121 South. For information, call (765) 825-2054 or visit our web site at [www.whitewatervalleyrr.org](http://www.whitewatervalleyrr.org).

### THE NEW GED TEST IS HERE

Indiana is offering the new 2002 GED test after February 1, 2002, and GED Connection will prepare adults to pass it. The exciting new GED Connection television series is a multi-media series designed for adults who want to study from

home as they prepare to take the GED and earn an State of Indiana GED Diploma. The television programs will be broadcast on Indiana PBS stations beginning in March. There are 39 half-hour television programs that cover the material on the new test. Three workbooks go along with the series.

New to this GED ON TV series, learners who have access to the Internet can get extra practice with corresponding online lessons at <http://www.pbs.org/literacy>.

Many people have expressed fear that the 2002 test will be hard to pass. The GED Testing Service says that the new tests will be based more on real life situations. This may make it easier for some people. There will be more graphics to interpret in all of the sections. Fewer long passages to read may also make it easier. The math section will be offered in two parts. The first part will allow the use of a calculator. Students may watch a video that explains the calculator before they take the test. The 2002 test will still require students to write an essay.

To enroll, adults may call 1.877.433.6688. The \$35 enrollment fee includes a pretest, three workbooks, the official GED calculator to practice with at home, a post test, access to the toll-free GED ON TV Helpline and a voucher to pay for the student's GED test at any testing site in Indiana.

Adults who could not complete high school can call, toll-free, 1.877.433.6688 to enroll. Students should call soon so that they will have time to complete the pretest and receive their work-

books before the television programs begin.

GED Connection is a production of PBS Television, Kentucky Educational Television and Penn State University. The Indiana partners are Indiana Public Broadcasting Stations, Inc.; The Indiana Department of Education; Division of Adult Education; Muncie Community Schools and Learn at Home.

### AN EVENING WITH GROUCHO

The Scottish Rite Center presents its third performance in a five-show series of fun and entertaining arts programming. On February 1, 2002 at 8:00 pm, the Scottish Rite Center will present "An Evening with Groucho".

Award-winning actor/director/playwright Frank Ferrante recreates his New York and London acclaimed portrayal of legendary comedian Groucho Marx in this fast paced program of hilarity. The two-act comedy consists of the best Groucho one-liners, anecdotes and songs including "Hooray for Captain Spaulding", and "Lydia, the Tattooed Lady". The audience literally becomes part of the show as Ferrante ad-libs his way throughout the performance in grand Groucho style. Accompanied by his on-stage pianist, Ferrante portrays the young Groucho of stage and film and reacquaints us with the likes of brothers Harpo, Chico, Zeppo and Gummo, Charlie Chaplin, W.C. Fields, Greta Garbo, Marx foil, Margaret Dumont and MGM's Louis B. Mayer. A perfect show for all ages!

Reserved seating tickets for "An Evening with Groucho" go on sale December 17 and are \$21.00 for Adults and \$15.00 for Children 12 and under and can be purchased at the Scottish Rite Center Box Office on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from noon-6 pm.

Tickets can also be purchased by calling (219)423-2593 ext. 1 to order by credit card (no additional fee). Group Discounts are also available for 20 or more. Sponsored by Oldies 101.7 and PBS-39. For ticket information, call (219)423-2593 ext. 1.

### SALAMONIE MENUS

#### Breakfast

Each meal includes milk and an option of cold cereal

February 4

Orange juice, pop tarts

February 5

Apple juice, waffle sticks w/syrup, sausage

February 6

Grape juice, cinnamon coffeecake

February 7

Orange juice, peanut butter toast

February 8

Apple juice, egg/ham/cheese on an english muffin

#### Lunch

Each meal includes chocolate or white milk. Each MS() meal includes options of chef salad w/ crackers, peanut butter/jelly sandwich and fruit basket choice.

February 4

Cheeseburger on bun (shaved turkey on a bun, grilled cheese sandwich), french fries (mixed vegetables), seasoned peas (sliced pears), pudding

February 5

Mini corn dogs (quarterpounder w/cheese), mixed vegetables (french fries), applesauce, jello

February 6

Cold ham/cheese sandwich (shrimp poppers w/bread & butter), green beans, banana, chocolate cake

February 7

Chicken strips (quarterpounder w/cheese), sliced pears, celery sticks w/peanut butter, bread/butter, cookie

February 8

Nachos w/beef 'n cheese (spaghetti w/meat sauce & garlic bread), combination salad, orange wedges, brownies

### EASTBROOK MENUS

#### Breakfast

Each meal includes fruit or juice and milk

February 4

Scrambled eggs, toast w/butter

February 5

Breakfast pizza

February 6

Toast w/butter & honey

February 7

Super donut

February 8

Cereal, toast w/butter

#### Lunch

February 4

Corn dog, baked beans, juice, cookie

February 5

Chicken/noodles, whipped potatoes, mixed fruit hot roll w/butter

February 6

Cook's choice

February 7

Pizza boat, tri-tater, sliced peaches, cookie

February 8

Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, rosy applesauce, bread/butter

### BEARS AT STORY TIME

Joan Boyer led a beary nice story time when she read Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See?; Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You See?; Chicka, Chicka, Boom, Boom; Lost Bear, Found Bear; and Berenstain Bears B Book, to Camryn Marcus, Leigh Ann Trickle, Sarah Leininger, Rachel Leininger, Emma Melcher and Katie Melcher. The girls also received a bear coloring page and teddy graham treats.

Story time at the Warren Library is Thursday at 2:30.

### ARTISTS RECOGNIZED

The LaFontaine Arts Council has named six 'Artists of the Month' at Salamonie School. They are Edward Allen Goble and Paul Witkamp, band; Caitlin Brauchla and Cassidy Adkins, art; and Brittanie Haines and Krysta Brubaker, choir. All are in eighth grade.

Goble is the son of Willie and Emma Goble. He plays also saxophone in the school's concert band and jazz band and also takes piano lessons.

Witkamp is the son of Greg and Eva Witkamp. He plays percussion instruments at Salamonie and also studies guitar.

Brauchla is the daughter of David and Becky Arnett. She is an Art Club member and recently won a first-place award for a greeting card designed for a contest sponsored by the Huntington County Art Guild.

Adkins is the daughter of Chris Ruster and Mark Adkins. She is considering a career in the art field.

Haines is the daughter of Mark and Teresa Haines. She has participated in the state ensemble contest for the past three years and will compete this year as both a soloist and an ensemble member. She was a featured soloist in the 2001 Kings Island Choral Contest and had a role in the 2000 production "Annie Jr."

Brubaker is the daughter of Rick and Rhonda Brubaker. She is a third-year choir member, participated in the 2000 state ensemble contest, and was featured in two Salamonie productions. She will participate in the 2002 ensemble contest in February.

### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

On Wednesday January 23, 2002 Little Panther Pre School made a visit to the Van Buren Public Library. Karen Conwell read the book "Snow Dance" by Lezlie Evans. Karen led them to sing If You're Happy and You Know It and smiling faces appeared. Each child was able to check-out two books.

Those attending were: Amy Kerr,  
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## AFTER SCHOOL STORIES

Fifteen children attended Puzzle Day at the Van Buren Public Library on Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. As the children entered the children's department they saw all kind of puzzles to work on. We had look and find books, puzzle books to take when we travel in the car. There were work sheets of, word search, crossword, dot to dot, picture crossword and mazes. The children did board puzzles and jig saw puzzles too.

Karen shared some information about the first puzzles. We found out, enterprising London mapmaker and engraver John Spilbuty created the first picture puzzle, as we know it between 1760 and 1762. He had mounted one of his maps on thin mahogany and cut out the pieces with a fret saw.

We took a picture out of a magazine glued it to a piece of construction paper and cut it into different size pieces and made our own puzzle to take home. Refreshments were pretzels and animal crackers. Those attending were; Cassie Davis, Britni-lynn Davis, Danielle Scott, Nathan Scoff, David Irwin, Matthew Nelson, Connor Pannell, Bobby Tate, Kayla Purvis, Harley Denham, Jacob, Icily Cromer, Hallie & Logan Wetherington and Cameron Riddle. Mathew Nelson won the attendance prize.

## ANGUS BOARD

David Raab, Warren, has been elected to the board of directors for the Indiana Angus Association for 2001.

Elections were held during the 2001 Indiana Angus Association annual meeting and banquet Dec. 29 in Indianapolis.

Officers of the association are Samuel Carter, Upland, president; Dennis Wood, Fort Wayne, first vice president; Loran Wilson, Orleans, second vice president; Cathy Watkins, Middletown, secretary; and David Smith, Greensburg, treasurer.

## TOP SPELLER

The winner of the Salamonie School Spelling Bee is Tyler Mower, a sixth-grade student. Mower won the bee for students in grades 5-8 by spelling the word "interject." The bee was held Thursday, Jan. 10.

Second place was sixth-grader Jenni Egolf. She missed the word "disectable."

Mower is the son of Troy and Lori Mower, Markle. Egolf is the daughter of Rusty and Diane Egolf, LaFontaine.

Pronouncer for the spelling bee was Salamonie Eighth Grade English teacher Rebecca Wright.

## PERFORM WELL AT SOLO CONTEST

Alicia Aldridge and Laura Hillger performed flute solos at Eastbrook High School on Saturday. The Indiana State School Music Association sponsors a district level contest each year for students who are interested in challenging and improving themselves. Both girls received the highest level "Superior" for their efforts. Laura performed "Serenade" by Franz Joseph Haydn, and Alicia performed "The Wings of Song." Laura was accompanied by her father, John Hillger, and Alicia was accompanied by her mother, Linda Aldridge.

## HAHE SPORTS

On Friday (01/11) the H.A.H.E. Eagles (Huntington Area Home Educators Basketball team) Boys Varsity team played Roanoke Baptist School. HAHE Joshua Rich led the scoring with 18, Blake Hitzfield 17, & Pat Meehan had 16 points. Roanoke was led by senior Joseph Miller with 23 points & junior John Croy with 12. The Varsity Eagles are 7-4 for this season. The boys teams are coached by Jeremy Nei and assistants Matt Hoover & Eric Meehan.

The JV teams played the Lima Heat (an Ohio Home School team called the Ohio Eagles). The Boys Junior Varsity Eagles won 38-34, Thomas Meehan led Huntington with 10 points, Ben Burnworth had 8 & Trent Lloyd 7. J.Parathmore had 18 for Ohio & Jared Millisor 12. The JV Eagles record stands at 4-6.

The Lady Eagles JV lost 14-34 and are now 0-3. Nicki Gahman had 4 points. Ohio's Courtney Clyner had 12 points & Stacy Burkholder 10. The Ladies are coached by Jamie Halsey and assistant Joann Burnside.

On Friday (01/25) the H.A.H.E. Eagles (Huntington Area Home Educators Basketball team) Boys Junior Varsity team played the Fort Wayne Hawks. Huntington was victorious 45-43. HAHE scorers Thomas Meehan 13, Trent Lloyd 12, Blaine Hitzfield 10, Ben Burnworth 6, & Kraigh Reed 4. The JV Eagles record stands at 5-6. The boys teams are coached by Jeremy Nei and assistants Matt Hoover & Eric Meehan.

The Lady Eagles JV lost to the FW Falcons 6-16, Karissa Beer had 4 points. They are 0-4. Girls Varsity Lady Eagles also fell to FW Falcons 20-30. Joni Halsey had 11 points. They are now 3-7. The Ladies are coached by Jamie Halsey and assistant Joann Burnside.

On Saturday, January 27th, the H.A.H.E. Eagles (Huntington Area Home Educators Basketball team)

participated in the Indianapolis Shootout B-ball tournament (for Home-School teams).

In a grueling day of 4 basketball games the Junior Varsity Eagles started by beating the Lions Sports Club 45-35. Blake Hitzfield 10 & Paul Meehan 8. Then topped Warsaw's KCHE Eagles 38-25. Blake Hitzfield 13, Brice Bennett 7. Then in the late afternoon, in a grudge match against the NorthWest Warriors (who lost 52-43 in December) HAHE was overcome by their strategic offensive technique 36-40. Paul Meehan 8, Josh Rich 8, Blake Hitzfield 7. And so, they played a final game at 9:45PM for 3RD place against Elkart ECHE and won 26-24. Patrick Meehan 8, Paul Meehan 7. The JV Eagles record stands at 8-7. The boys teams are coached by Jeremy Nei and assistants Matt Hoover & Eric Meehan.

The Lady Eagles Varsity was beaten by the NE Trailblazers 22-35 in their morning game. Joni Halsey 15, Angie Grover 3. Then they played Warsaw KCHE Eagles in the afternoon and won 43-22. Joni Halsey 25, Angie Grover 11. And beat the Living Water Marlins 37-29 in the evening to take 3rd place. Joni Halsey 19 & Kim Smith with 10 points. The Ladies are now 5-8 and are coached by Jamie Halsey and assistant Joann Burnside.

## GYM NIGHT

The Huntington Area Home Educators (HAHE) recently held their Winter Family Gym night at the Huntington College Fieldhouse & Pool. Over 100 gathered to enjoy activities in the pool and gymnasium.

The Huntington Area Home Educators (HAHE) are a local support group for families who are Home Schooling their children. For further information about Home Education, please contact: Terry & Mindy Daniels at home 375-4190, or at the Warren Pharmacy 375-2135, Joe & Cindy Robinson 359-0701, Byron & Cindy Mossburg 758-2272, or Gary & Laura House 786-1736.

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

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First Grade - Hanna Boucher, Icily Cromer, Cassie Davis, Logan McGinnis, Amber Oswalt, Jared Taylor, Wesley White, Dakota Williams, Jacob Wright, Alissa Anderson, Julia Clevenger, Brittney Dauscher, Tyler Joseph, Korisa Kitts, Delta Oswalt-Benge, Kaitlyn Peer, Derek Showalter

Second Grade - Mathew Burnett, Becki Oswalt, Connor Pannell,

Ethan Smith, Laquita White, Madison Brewer, Olivia Drake, Michael Graves, Ashley Hatland, Lance Hoch, Katie Huston, Cole Roesly, Bobby Tate, Michaela Turner

Third Grade - Maryrose Burns, Jason Clevenger, Jeremy Clevenger, Brandon Fetter, Amiee Huston, Cale Korporal, Macy Quick, Boone Searles, Cady Swagger, Michael Weaver, Brady Bosley, Nathan Dickey, Kendall Green, Heidi Hutchinson, David Irwin, Reilley Jones, Greg Marsh, Danielle Scott, Kyle Shafer, Kaitlyn Tenbusch

Fourth Grade - Jacy Boan, Micheal Burnett, Harley Denham, Kelsey Gabbard, Caleb Hemmick, Ross Jones, Adam King, Shelby Mealer, Mallory Messersmith, Kaylee Searles, Sam Sherrier

Fifth Grade - Brayton Ailes, Corbin Buckler, Dereck Case, Cameron Green, Zach Hodge, Brittany McGinnis, Gillian Moorman, Veronica Newby, Nick Ratliff, Adam Bernaix, Jaclynn Boan, Jonathan Elston, Kevin Gunyon, Sarah Knight, Josh Lawson, Kyle Leech, Phillip Mounsey

Sixth Grade - Blake Boucher, Tim Decker, Katherine Dickey, Taylor Forth, Cody Gabbard, Kelsey Green, Amanda Hatland, Natalie Hoch, Brooke Hummel, Nick Kidwell, Kayla Korporal, Cory Zoda, Chris Bakehorn, Seth Baker, Loren Blessing, Joe Bosworth, Megan Bright, Jeremy Clayborn, Kenny Dale, Nathan Scott, Megan Smith, Adam Street

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The industry, including Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, approves of refinancing plans that add missed payments to the mortgage balance. In some cases, current payment amounts can also be lowered.

## CLICKING THEIR WAY TO A DEGREE

Two years after the dot.com downturn began, e-learning has emerged as one of the Internet's most useful applications. Nearly half of the 4,000 major colleges and universities in the U.S. now offer courses, says International Data Corp. Some 2 million students take online courses, and that number is expected to rise to 5 million by 2006.



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Dr. Stone completed his general surgery residency at St. Joseph Hospital, Denver, and a flexible medicine internship at Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore. He received his medical degree from Autonomous University of Guadalajara Medical School. He is certified by the American Board of Surgeons and the American Board of Forensic Examiners and Forensic Medicine.

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