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Thought for the Week: An opinion should be the result of thought, not a substitute for it. Jef Mallett



TWELFTH NIGHT OPENS AT THE PULSE

One of Shakespeare's best loved comedies is coming to the Pulse Opera House. Mistaken identities and role reversals abound in this one act version. Twins Viola and Sebastian are separated when they are shipwrecked on the shores of Illyria. Viola disguises herself as a boy (Cesario) in order to obtain employment. Viola falls in love with Duke Orsino, who is in love with Countess Olivia, who is in love with Cesario (Viola). Illyria is turned upside down with love. Things get further complicated when Olivia's maid, Maria, conspires with Sir Toby Belch and Sir Andrew Aguecheek to play a joke on the pompous Malvolio. Shipwrecks, sword play and pranks combine for an evening filled with pure joy. This one act version is constructed for audience members of all ages. Fast moving and easy to follow, it is perfect for families.

The show runs May 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21 and 22. Friday and Saturday performances are at 8:00 p.m. Sunday performances are at 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$5 for children 12 and under. Reservations can be made online at pulseoperahouse.org or by phone at (260) 375-7017.

Pictured above (L-R) David Parker as Sir Andrew Aguecheek and Drew Grady as Sir Toby Belch.

FREE TICKETS FOR EDUCATORS

The last two years have been filled with uncertainty and challenges beyond what anyone could expect. The Pulse recognizes and appreciates the way teachers have remained a stable force for their students. While it is not possible to fully show their appreciation, the Pulse Opera House is offering two opportunities to say thank you!

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TENDERLOIN SUPPER

The McMens of McNatt Church will have a tenderloin supper Saturday, May 7 from 4:30 - 7p.m.

The meal will include a tenderloin sandwich, green beans, applesauce and a drink. It will be dine-in or carry-out. The cost is \$10.00.

Proceeds will help with needs in the church and community.

ANNUAL MEETING

Knight Bergman Civic Center will have their annual board meeting on Monday May 16, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. with the regular monthly meeting to follow.

BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Warren Library will have a \$1.00 a bag used book sale, Saturday, May 7, from 10:00 - 2:00. Bags will be provided by the library. The next book sales will be June 4 and July 2.

Appointments need to be made with the librarian either in person or by phone. The phone number of the library is 375.3450. Masks are optional.

There will be selections of adult fiction and nonfiction, children's books, DVD's, music CD's, audio books and graphic novels.

The library is located at 123 E 3rd St, Warren.

TO OPEN IN HUNTINGTON

Harbor Freight Tools, America's go-to store for quality tools at the lowest prices, will officially open its new store in Huntington on Saturday, May 14 at 8 a.m.

The Huntington store, located at 2028 N Jefferson St, will be open seven days a week from 8am to 8pm

Monday through Saturday and 9am to 6pm on Sunday.

Over 40 million customers, from professional contractors and technicians to homeowners and hobbyists, come to Harbor Freight to find the tools and equipment they need to get the job done. The company has assembled a world-class team of engineers and experts in all tool categories to ensure that its tools meet or exceed industry standards and deliver unsurpassed value.

The store will stock a full selection of tools and equipment in categories including automotive, air and power tools, storage, outdoor power equipment, generators, welding supplies, shop equipment, hand tools, and much more. The stores are smaller and much easier to shop than the huge home centers.

This new store is the 53rd Harbor Freight Tools store in Indiana. The company, which hires locally, has brought between 25-30 new jobs to the surrounding community.

Harbor Freight recognizes that its people are key to its success and is committed to being the best place to work in any industry. In 2021, Forbes Magazine recognized Harbor Freight as one of the top 20 large employers in all of retail, one of the top employers in terms of diversity, one of the top employers for women and one of the country's top employers of Veterans.

"Our team is ready to serve and deliver value to customers in Huntington and all of Huntington County," said Kison Drake, Store Manager. "At Harbor Freight, we recognize that now, more

than ever, our customers depend on us for the tools they need to get the job done at an affordable price.

AVOID MORTGAGE LOAN MODIFICATION SCAMS: KNOW WHAT TO DO

by Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
WASHINGTON – Millions of homeowners struggled to make their mortgage payments during the COVID-19 pandemic, and now they're worried about inflation and the economic impact of the war in Ukraine. It's especially important for homeowners who are financially vulnerable to know about mortgage loan modification scams and how to avoid them.

Mortgage loan modification scams are schemes to take your money – often by making a false promise of saving you from foreclosure. These so-called foreclosure or mortgage consultants often use public notices or lists of distressed borrowers purchased from private companies to find their targets. They may offer to "prevent" foreclosures or "rescue" desperate homeowners from foreclosure through advertising, email, phone calls or in person.

Examples of scams related to mortgage modification and foreclosure prevention include, among others:

Foreclosure rescue and refinance fraud. Scam artists offer to act as intermediaries between homeowners and lenders to negotiate repayment plans or loan modifications. They may even "guarantee" to save

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This week has been a very mixed emotion week. We received word on the passing of my cousin Amy's husband. Chris or "bear" as he is known by, was such a joy to be around. He could make a dull room bright. His smile, laugh, and just having a conversation with him made the world much better. He was a great cook and was always willing to entertain people at his home. Such a loving person and he will be greatly missed.

My niece Annette is still needing prayers. Her husband, Eric, had a PONS stroke on April 6th. He is still currently in the hospital and he has his good days and his bad. Eric and Annette have 3 small children and we are asking for many prayers. It will be a long road ahead for them. Thank you in advance. There is a Go fund me page along with a facebook page titled "Prayers for Eric" if you have a minute, please go to their page and say a prayer for them.

I need Eric back in my life too, he was my partner in crime when it came to raiding the cookie jar at grannies. That kid loved cookies. All I had to say was cookies and he would perk up and look at me and say "COOKIES?" with his eyes wide open. Then the hunt was on for the cookies and if granny didn't have any...she had some explaining to do. Lol

I really need to explain why my mom gets called "granny". When you have one kid that says grandma and you have 3 grandmas answer, it gets kinda confusing. So granny or great grandma is my mom, grandma or aunt Gayle is my sister and I am maw maw or aunt Trev. It makes things go easier in our household and not everyone is saying what? Every time grandma is being said.

The first of the final Friday concert series is in the books. From the sound of it at my house, Hubie Ashcraft is pretty good. There was a good crowd of people and so glad to see those crowds. Thank you Historic Warren for the entertainment, it is much appreciated. It is nice to be able to set on the porch and listen to the music. I can remember back in the day when we would set on the front porch at home and listen to the Lighthouse playing music. From Black Betty by Ram Jam to Sgt. Peppers Lonely Hearts Club Band by the Beatles. They played all the good tunes and those were the good ole days.

Mark your calendars for June 4th we will be having a Spring Craft Show at the Knight Bergman Civic Center. Hours for the show are 9 to 2. If anyone is interested in having a booth, let me know, I could use a few more vendors. I am allowing commercial vendors (Tupperware, Avon, etc.) but only one of each type. So if you are interested call to inquire. My number is in the book or you can find me on Facebook.

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 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am
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 Lois Slusher, Supt.
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 Pastor Al Sultz
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 Sunday Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study 7:00 pm



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AREA NEWS

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your home from foreclosure. They tell you to make mortgage payments directly to them so they can forward payments to your lender. Instead, they may pocket your money and leave you in worse shape on your loan.

Fake "government" modification programs. Scam artists create websites that mimic federal websites and use business names like those used by government agencies. They may use "federal," "TARP" or other words, acronyms and abbreviations associated with official government programs. These tactics are designed to fool you into thinking they are approved by, or affiliated with, the federal government.

Leaseback and rent-to-buy schemes. Con artists entice you to transfer your home title to them with promises of new and better financing. They say you can rent your home and eventually buy it back. But, if you do not comply with the terms of the rent-to-buy agreement, you can lose your money and your home. Scammers have no intention of selling your home back to you; they want your home and money.

Scammers may:

- * Ask you to pay fees upfront to receive services
- * Promise to get you a loan modification
- * Ask you to sign over the title to your property
- * Ask you to sign papers that you do not understand
- * Say you should start making payments to someone other than your servicer or lender
- * Tell you to stop making mortgage loan payments altogether

If you believe you have been contacted by a scammer or if you have been the victim of a mortgage scam, report the scam to the Federal Trade Commission, or to your state Attorney General. Stop paying the scammer. You can also seek help from an attorney.

If you can't pay your mortgage or are worried about missing a mortgage

payment, you have options. The first thing to do is call your mortgage servicer. Learn the steps to take, relief options, and places to go to get help with your mortgage.

If you need more help, reach out to:

HUD-Approved Housing Counselors. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-approved housing counselors can discuss options with you if you're having trouble paying your mortgage loan or reverse mortgage loan. This may also include forbearance or a modified payment program.

Attorneys. If you think you may have been a victim of a mortgage loan modification scam, you may also want to consult an attorney. There may be resources to assist you through your local bar association, legal aid, or if you are a servicemember, your local Legal Assistance Office.

State Attorney General. You can contact your state attorneys general office for more information about state protections as well as file a complaint.

FIVE STAR AWARD

First Bank of Berne has been honored as a Five Star Member of the Indiana Bankers Association. The award was presented on April 27, received by (l to r) Kent Liechty, First Bank of Berne President and Jenilee Bransteter, Business Banking Manager. The award was presented by Laurie Rees, IBA Vice President-Education & Training, in recognition of First Bank of Berne's Association involvement throughout 2021.

The Five Star Member designation recognizes those IBA-member banks which demonstrate outstanding commitment to the Association in five areas: political awareness, issues advocacy, life-long learning, IBA volunteerism, and Preferred Service Provider utilization.

"We very much appreciate the dedication of First Bank of Berne as a Five Star Member bank," said Amber Van Til, IBA president and CEO. "Our Association is

strong, thanks to our supportive members."

The Indiana Bankers Association supports Indiana banking through issues analysis, professional education, and products and services that enhance member banks' ability to serve their communities.

To learn more about First Bank of Berne, please visit firstbankofberne.com.

A QUILTER'S TRAIL TRIP

by Janice Jordan Ryan & transcribed by Larry Ryan
The Monday passenger pick-up began in Fort Wayne on April 11, 2022. The Kellam Road Trip bus stopped in Warren at Heritage Pointe and Marion for additional riders. In total, there were 26 women and one manly bus driver. Their destination was Hamilton, MO and the Missouri Star Quilt Company business. That should explain why there were no other men aboard.

Breakfast, which included Nadean's Bakery Coffee Cake, was served en route across Indiana. At the Illinois border, clocks were set back one hour so the women would have an additional hour to shop that day. The bus made a scheduled stop in

Danville, IL at the "Threads of Time Sewing Center" where material was abundant and purchased for later use.

Totes were utilized to handle the goods. These were marked with names and final departure locations for the return trip. Lunch was served there.

The bus reached Hannibal, MO at 3:45 pm where two ladies from Minnesota joined the group. The historic downtown featured the "Hickory Stick Quilt & Gift Shop" where three buildings were filled with a variety of colored materials and patterns. After two hours of fast-paced shopping (and rest for the driver), the purchases were placed in their respective totes and housed along with the suitcases. At 6:00 pm the group checked into the "Best Western on the River" motel and departed one half hour later for dinner at "Finn's Restaurant" in the city.

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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.

May 4	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC
May 4	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
May 9	6:00p	W - Town Council Meeting @ Assembly Hall
May 10	6:30p	Salamonie Summer Festival Meeting @ KBC
May 16	6:30p	KBC Board Meeting @ KBC
May 18	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
May 27	7:00p	Time Travelers Concert @ Riverside Park, Warren
May 30		MEMORIAL DAY
Jun 1	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm at KBC;
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC

These Events Can Also Be Found at www.warrenweeklyindiana.com

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While walking back to the hotel, a prominent lighthouse was viewed by the Mississippi River at the end of a street. They were informed that it contained 274 steps to reach the top plus that many to return to ground level. After a full meal, no one accepted that challenge. My wife's insomnia resulted in her counting 6 trains and memorizing their horn patterns as 2-shorts, 2-longs, & 3-shorts!

After an early, hot breakfast at the motel on Tuesday, the bus was in Macon, MO at 9 am and stopped at the "Ben Franklin" store. It was much larger than the one that existed in Warren in the 1950s. This one had aisles of items and one large room for fabrics. It was in this room that my wife's friend, Ruth engaged a young veteran who was handling some military-themed fabric. He related that PSD symptoms followed him home from Iraq and instead of alcohol, he chose to collect empty bottles, cover them with fabric, add flowers, and give them to Veteran hospitals or to any veteran in need of assistance/assurance! Ruth responded with her affiliation with veterans by making military-appropriate quilts. He gave her a "hug" in response and said, "Please keep up the good work as

long as you are able!" That statement made her day. After lunch in Macon at Ashley's Apple Basket Café, the smiling bus driver (who had another two hour break) helped load several more items on board; this time opening the other storage side of the bus. It was 2 pm when the group arrived in Hamilton, MO at the "Missouri Star Quilt Company." The community is northeast of Kansas City and is considered a "quilters paradise." The majority of the town consisted of multiple, colorful-facade stores; each specifically housed different colored or floral fabrics as well as quilting products. An employee greeted the group on the bus and instructed everyone to enter the first store and sign in. On I-Pads, personal information was entered after which names were called at another counter. A lanyard was issued, which served as a badge, and contained your name and a special code. This kept track of purchases and rewards at the establishment. One venue was a sewing center where seminars were held. This tour group did not participate, but spent the two days selecting fabrics to sew at home. Employees produce quilts that are sold nationwide. A Quilting

Museum was an additional attraction. More later.

TIPS FROM THE ROAD

by Bill Gallivan

What's Your Hurry?

One of the most dangerous maneuvers that many drivers do will eventually get them and others possibly hurt and or killed. It will also do a lot of damage very quickly. I see this happen daily in my driving, no matter where I am at.

A driver, in any kind of vehicle, passing another vehicle and then immediately decides to turn, possibly stop to make a turn, directly in front of the vehicle they just passed. Whatever their reasoning or thinking is at the time they do this, is one of the most dangerous and ridiculous situations that can and should be avoided, period. This is never a smart move. NEVER.

Most drivers that pull this dangerous stunt do know where they are, know where they want to go and are not 'lost'. Even if a lost driver realizes they are suddenly upon a place they need to turn, they should have never passed anyone in the process looking for a location they are not sure where it is.

This happens way too often in rural areas, in cities and towns and on interstates.

If you are one of these drivers doing this, you are asking for big trouble because of your dumb driving habit. Quit it!

The risk you are taking, which is tremendous to say the least, is not worth the couple of seconds you think you may have gained by doing this.

You look like an idiot and a fool besides showing your ignorance in your driving ability.

Use some common sense, if you have any, think about what you are about to do and not create a terrible situation for yourself and others around you.

Relax. Slow down. Think ahead. Those couple of

seconds you think you need to make up because the vehicle in front of you is not moving fast enough to suit you is nothing compared to what the karma will after you become the reason for an accident in this situation.

165TH INDIANA STATE FAIR

As the Indiana State Fair revs up for 2022, it will dedicate the theme for this year's event to Celebrating Indiana's Automotive Excellence, presented by Tom Wood Automotive Group. The 165th Indiana State Fair will take place Friday, July 29th through Sunday, August 21st and will continue its long tradition as Indiana's favorite all-encompassing summer destination event.

Each spring the unveiling of the Indiana State Fair's annual theme is one of its most anticipated announcements.

"For 2022, we are planning something very special, a monumental year to bring Hoosiers back together at this beloved summer tradition," said Cindy Hoye, Indiana State Fair Commission Executive Director. "We are so thankful to the Tom Wood Automotive Group for embracing this theme and partnership – we are putting the pedal to the metal and building momentum to get ready for FUN at the speed of summer!"

Indiana's rich automotive tradition is a signature source of pride for Hoosiers, and the Indiana State Fair looks forward to celebrating Indiana's worldwide recognition for its automotive history and contributions to the industry. Fairgoers can expect to see iconic, celebrity cars from movies and books, in addition to world-class classic car collections showcasing Indiana-made vehicles, and so much more.

"We are proud to sponsor this year's Indiana State Fair – "Fun at the speed of summer," said Jeff Wood, President of

the Tom Wood Group. "We've been family-owned and locally operated, serving Hoosiers since 1967. We are honored to share in the celebration of Indiana's Automotive Excellence highlighting the rich history and traditions of the automobile. It supports our motto of family, service and community."

The Indiana State Fair is planning to bring back fairgoer favorites including

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SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Beta Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority has selected Paige McCutcheon as their 2022 scholarship recipient. She will receive a \$500 scholarship.

Paige is a senior at Huntington North High School where she is a member of the National Honor Society and student council. She has been a member of the girls basketball team and Rotary Interact Service Club. Paige has volunteered at the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo, Salvation Army, and Indiana Transport. Additionally, she works for Huntington County Boys and Girls Club where she helps tutor students, plan activities, and supervise rooms.

Paige will be attending Purdue University in the fall to pursue a degree in criminology.

Paige is the daughter of Craig and Shandi McCutcheon of Warren.

Sigma Phi Gamma considers it a privilege to assist outstanding students as they begin their college education.

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HACKER

 Jack Mills Hacker, 80, of Huntington, passed away at 12:16 pm Sunday, April 24, 2022 at Markle Health & Rehabilitation.

Jack was born on January 12, 1942 in Huntington, IN, the son of Neil Hacker and Evelyn (Mills) Hacker.

He graduated from Lancaster High School with the Class of 1960 and married Carole A. (Trook) Heyde on October 22, 1977 in Huntington, IN.

He served in the United States Army from 1964 to 1966, was a member of the American Legion Post 7, and was a member of the Lancaster Cemetery Board.

Jack worked for his family business, Majenica Tile Company until 1986. He then worked as a Heavy Equipment Operator at T & G Construction in Ft. Wayne, and Liberty Construction in Ft. Wayne, retiring in 2002.

Jack was an avid NASCAR fan and he loved to go RVing with his wife. He enjoyed riding motorcycles and he loved to race motorcycles. He also liked to snow and water ski.

Survivors include his Wife, Carole A. Hacker of Huntington, IN; Two Sons, Richard (Dawn) Hacker of Monticello, IN, David (Heather) Hacker of Huntington, IN; Daughter, Joy (Don) Conley of Huntington, IN; Two Brothers, Joe (Lois) Hacker of Warren, IN, Bob (Sandy) Hacker of Huntington, IN; Eight Grandchildren, Zachery Hacker, Caleb Hacker, Nicholas Hacker, Grant Hacker, Austin Hampel, Evan Hampel, Michelle Storms, Elizabeth Ringer; Four Great Grandchildren, Xavier Storms, Madison Storms, Hudson Hacker, Boden Ringer; Brother-in-law, John Trook of Huntington, IN.

He is preceded in death by his Father, Neil Hacker, and Mother, Evelyn Hacker. Private family services will be held.

Preferred memorials may be made in memory of Jack to the Huntington County Humane Society, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

JACKSON

Gloria "Ann" Jackson, 87, of Warren, Indiana, passed away

on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Ann was born on May 4, 1934, in Plum Tree, Huntington County, Indiana, to William Chester Sheets and Dorothea Bernice (Hoover) Sheets. She graduated from Rock Creek High School in 1952 and started a new job at Sears in the business department. She married Robert "Bob" Jackson on June 12, 1954 and in 1991 she retired from the billing department at Caylor Nickel Clinic. Along with her husband Bob, she attended Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton, Indiana for over 20 years and then began attending Warren United Church of Christ after the couple moved to Warren. Ann loved to cook and enjoyed traveling. She and her husband especially enjoyed traveling to Golf Shores Alabama during the winter.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents, William and Dorothea Sheets, her son Bryan Jackson in 2013, and her sisters, Lois Mae Double, Wava Marie Miller, Shirley Sue Anderson and Phylis June Pursifull.

Loving survivors include her husband of 68 years, Bob Jackson of Warren, IN, brother-in-laws, Tom Jackson and David (Ardon) Jackson, sister-in-laws, Ann Starks and Barb (George) Keplinger, and several nieces and nephews.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home located at 203 N. Matilda Warren, IN 46792, on Friday, May 6, 2022, from 10AM to 11AM. A funeral service will begin at 11AM with Pastor Matt Hartsell officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Stillwater Hospice-Berne, 108 S. Jefferson St. Berne, IN 46711 Or Heritage Pointe of Warren, 801 N. Huntington Ave. Warren, IN 46792.



PENCE

Helen L. Pence, age 95, Huntington, passed away at 10:55 a.m. Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at North Woods Village in Ft. Wayne.

Helen retired from Raytheon in 1983 after 23 years of service.

Helen was a life member of the V.F.W. Post #2689 Auxiliary.

She was a 1945 graduate of Huntington Township School.

She enjoyed feeding the birds and was an avid gardener.

Helen was born on January 17, 1927, in Wells County, Indiana, daughter of William H. and Anna C. (Miller) Davis.

She married Charles F. Pence on August 27, 1947, in Huntington. Charles preceded her in death June 22, 2008.

Survivors include one son Charles A. "Squeek" Pence of Warren, two daughters Diana (James) Stucker and Jackie (Gene) Towns, both of Markle, five grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, three great great-grandchildren and two feline companions Sunny and Timmy. Helen is also survived by two sisters R. Joan Hoover of Fort Wayne and Carolyn Davis of Fremont, plus several nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband of nearly 60 years, Helen was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers Dale J. Davis and William L. Davis.


Visitation will be from 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Saturday, April 30, 2022, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 pm Saturday, April 30, 2022, at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Rev. Larry Bowers officiating.

Burial will be in Union Cemetery in Huntington County.

Preferred memorials to the Heartland Hospice and Helping Paws, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

BURNS

 Virgil J. Burns, 94, of Ossian, passed away Wednesday morning, April 27, 2022, at Adams Memorial Hospital in Decatur.

Virgil was born in Roberts County, South Dakota, on Oct. 23, 1927, to Edmund and Susie (Mussetter) Burns. He married Rosalie June Wilson in Decatur on Dec. 31, 1959. She preceded him in death on Jan. 6, 2022.

Virgil graduated from Liberty Center High School and served in the United States Navy during WWII from 1945 until 1947. He retired from the United States Postal Service after 25 years of service and later worked at Avis Car Rental delivering cars for another 15 years. He was a member of the American Legion for more than 70 years.

In his free time, Virgil enjoyed mushroom hunting and fishing. He and June also enjoyed going to casinos, along with square and polka dancing. Above all else, he enjoyed his family, especially his grandchildren.

Survivors include four sons, Robert (Penney) Burns of Bluffton, Jon (Robin) Burns of Van Wert, Ohio, Randy (Kathy) Burns of Bluffton, and Jeff (Jennifer) Burns of Uniondale; a brother, Edmund (Cheryl) Burns of South Carolina; along with eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, Virgil was preceded in death by a son, Kelly Burns; and two brothers, Ron and Merlin Burns.

Visitation will be Monday, May 2, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., at Goodwin - Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton, followed immediately by a funeral service at 1 p.m. Fr. David Violi will officiate. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Cemetery in Ossian, with military graveside rites conducted by the United States Navy honor guard in conjunction with the American Legion Post 111 of Bluffton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

THOMAS

Earl J. Thomas, Jr., 57, of Marion, IN, passed away at 9:51 PM on Thursday, April 28, 2022, at Lutheran



Hospital of Indiana in Fort Wayne, IN, after a short illness.

He was born on Wednesday, May 13, 1964, in Marion to the late Earl J. Sr and Reba (Marcum) Thomas. He was a loving and caring person who was known by his nickname, "Big Guy." Earl formerly worked for Jet Express, Inc. as a Truck Driver for 12 years. He enjoyed going to rummage sales, fishing

and especially loved spending time with his grandbabies more than anything.

Loving survivors include his wife, Lisa Bolding, Marion, IN, son Cody (Amanda), Warren, IN, son Jason, Marion, IN, daughter Joni, Muncie, IN, son Joey, Marion, IN, son Matt (Jamie), OH, daughter Lacy, Marion, IN, grandbabies Jadelyn, Alaina, Samantha, Matthew, Alora, Alessa, Jazmyn, Liam, Nora, Jonathan, Ozaliya, Kevin, Benjamin, Sebastian, Josslyn, Jordan, Jaden, Destiny, Sabra, brother - Charles (Bonita "Sis") Thomas, Marion, IN and sisters Rosie Thomas, Indianapolis, IN, Janice Thomas, Marion, IN, Nora (Tim) McKenzie, Marion, IN, Patty Thomas, Wabash, IN and aunt mamma Betty Scott, Virginia. He was preceded in death by his parents and niece Erika.

In honoring Earl's wishes there will be no services held at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family to help offset funeral expenses.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in Warren.

HUBARTT

Phylis Bernice Hubartt, 96 of Warren, Indiana, passed away on Thursday, April 28, 2022, at Heritage Pointe in Warren.



Phylis was born on April 18, 1926, in Huntington County to Paul Ivan Hacker and Naomi Mary (Deemer) Hacker. She graduated from Lancaster High School in 1944, received her Bachelor's degree from Huntington College in 1968, and received her master's degree from St. Francis College in 1971. She taught first and second grade at Salamonie School in Warren for 23 years and retired in 1991. Phylis was a member of the Huntington County Classroom Teachers, ISTA, and the NEA. She was also a member of the Chautauqua Literary Club. Phylis enjoyed playing the bells and crafting, especially ceramics at Heritage Pointe. She loved doing things for others. Whenever she saw a need, she was right there to help.

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Phylis married Leonard Grant Hubartt on March 13, 1944, and he preceded her in death on February 9, 1993. She later married Carl Z. Hubartt on December 22, 2001, and he preceded her in death on August 19, 2018. Phylis was also preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Naomi Hacker, stepson, Dennis Hubartt, and sister, Melba Schwob.

Loving survivors include her sons, Gail (Sharon) Hubartt of Springfield, MO, Gary (Cindy) Hubartt of Scottsdale, AZ, and Stephen (Sue) Hubartt of Frostproof, FL, stepson, Kerry Hubartt of Leo, IN, sister, Carol Snyder of La Fontaine, IN, 8 grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda Warren, IN 46792, on Monday, May 9, 2022, from 11AM to 1PM. A funeral service will follow on Monday at 1PM with Pastor Gene Vickery officiating. Burial will follow at Lancaster Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Salamonie Schools 1063 E. 900 S. Warren, IN 46792.



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carnival rides, fun and wacky fair food, 4-H competitions, free entertainment, and much more. Stay tuned for new spectacular experiences and announcements in the coming weeks.

For complete details and tickets to the 2022 Indiana State Fair, please visit: <https://www.indianastatefair.com>.

INDIANA CONSERVATION OFFICERS RECRUITING

Anyone interested in becoming an Indiana Conservation Officer is encouraged to attend one of two identical recruiting events that DNR Law Enforcement's District 2 will host on Saturday morning, May 21 and Tuesday evening, May 24 at district headquarters in Columbia City.

The same material will be covered at each event, starting at 9 a.m. on May 21 and 6 p.m. on May 24, respectively. The address is 1353 S. Governors Dr., Columbia City 46725

District 2 includes Adams, Allen, Dekalb, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wells, and Whitley counties.

Each event will cover duties of a conservation officer, the competitive hiring process, preparation for the written exam, preparation for core values training, and physical agility testing requirements.

Participation either recruiting event does not guarantee you a position but should provide information that will help candidates determine if this is a challenge they want to pursue.

To see if you qualify and to complete the pre-screen exam, see on.IN.gov/dnr/law and click on Become a Conservation Officer.

Questions regarding the District 2 recruiting events should be directed to Sgt. Patrick Heidenreich 260-226-0423 or pheidenreich@dnr.IN.gov.

7 STEPS TO TAKE AFTER RECEIVING COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID AWARD LETTERS

(StatePoint) Perhaps even more nerve-wracking than waiting for your child's college acceptance letters is learning whether they've been awarded financial aid. This is the piece of the puzzle that tells you how much it will really cost, and ultimately, whether a particular school is within your budget.

"Decoding award letters and comparing their terms can be a challenge," says Angela Colatriano, chief marketing officer of College Ave Student Loans. "Just be patient and take the time to understand each offer."

In a recent College Ave Student Loans parent survey conducted by Barnes & Noble College Insights, 42% of parents who received an aid

offer letter found aspects of it confusing, and 68% agreed that terms and layout of these letters varied from school to school, making it hard to compare them.

To make better sense of financial aid award letters, follow these steps:

1. Look for free money: The award letter will list whether your student is eligible for scholarships and grants (sometimes called Merit or Gift Aid). This is money you typically don't need to pay back. Some merit aid is tied to how your child performed in high school. They worked hard for this recognition; congrats!

2. Look for Federal Work-Study: Your child might be eligible for Federal Work-Study jobs. While jobs aren't guaranteed, they can be a good opportunity to help cover educational expenses.

3. Spot the loans: Schools will list any federal loans your child is eligible to receive. Helpful hint: They may be grouped with scholarship and grants. You should also take note of whether a Federal loan is subsidized or unsubsidized. Subsidized loans are more desirable, as they don't accrue interest while your student is still enrolled, or during deferment periods.

4. Calculate your net cost: To get an apples-to-apples look at the offers, determine the net direct cost of each particular school. This is calculated by subtracting offered scholarships and grants from the cost of attendance (the total cost of tuition, room, board,

textbooks and fees). If applicable, you can subtract work-study aid too. It's important to do this math, as the biggest scholarship doesn't always amount to the lowest out-of-pocket cost.

5. Play the field: Some parents have found success in appealing the financial aid package offered, especially if their financial circumstances have changed. Contact your top schools of interest and share the awards your student has been offered. Some schools will match other schools' award packages or will offer additional funds. You should also ask about additional scholarships or grants that might be available.

6. Consider other factors: Check if awards being offered are for all four years and understand what your child will need to do to continue being eligible for them, year-to-year. You

should also factor in expected increases in tuition, room, board and other fees.

7. Fill the gaps: If after doing the math, you find you have a financial gap to cover, you may also consider a private student loan or parent loan.

Look for a lender with great rates, flexible repayment terms, and the opportunity to customize the loan to fit your family's budget. For example, College Ave Student Loans offers tools and resources to help you along your financial road to college, along with a pre-qualification tool that offers quick answers without affecting your credit score. To learn more, visit CollegeAve.com.

While awaiting financial aid award letters and deciphering them can be confusing and stressful, the good news is that once these letters are in-hand, your family will have the tools needed to move ahead.

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CELEBRATING SMALL BUSINESSES: MOVING FROM SURVIVING TO THRIVING

(StatePoint) Small businesses are the heartbeat of communities. They pump life into neighborhoods, making them vibrant places to live, work and raise families, and are key to millions of local jobs. In fact, approximately 50% of all Americans are employed by a small business and 99% of American businesses are small businesses, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Every year, National Small Business Week, celebrated during the first week of May, acknowledges the contributions that America's entrepreneurs make to the economy, culture and overall business community.

"Small business is big business," said Wells Fargo's head of Small Business Derek Ellington. "As a bank that proudly serves over 3 million small business customers, we are still supporting small businesses in their post-pandemic recovery, but we're also seeing many growing businesses bringing new ideas to life, and going from surviving to thriving. Now more than ever, it's an important time for small businesses because they are such a vital part of the economy."

National Small Business Week also marks an important time for entrepreneurs to further economic growth, strengthen their business, and deliver on the products and services the nation depends on every day. To help your business thrive, Wells Fargo offers the following four tips:

1. Be flexible. If there was one glaring lesson business owners learned from COVID-19, it was to be flexible. Businesses had to revamp their online offerings and create a digital, ecommerce presence. Most had to change relationships with supply chains and vendors or reduce hiring. When it comes

to business planning for the next six, 12 or even 18 months, one thing is certain: flexibility will be key. Between staffing demands, supply chain delays and rising interest rates and inflation, write your plans in pencil. Most importantly, be nimble enough to pivot, using your experiences over the past two years as a guide.

2. Stay in the know. Stay informed of the latest developments that could impact your business. For example, what do rising rates and growing costs of supplies and services mean for you? A small business banker can help you understand your options based on your particular business and needs, and make any necessary adjustments. Keep in touch with your tax advisor, accountant, and local chambers of commerce to stay in the know.

3. Prepare for new competition. Now that life has regained a sense of normalcy, new business trends are emerging fast. To prepare for new competition, stay ahead of your competitors and drive new growth:

- * Know your customers, and find and solve their pain points

- * Ensure you have competitive pricing

- * Change your business model and services to stay ahead

- * Provide exceptional customer service to existing and new customers

- * Target new markets

4. Invest in growth strategically. To continue to grow, innovate and attract the best employees, demonstrate that you're willing to invest in the future. However, it's never cheap, and you might not be able to afford needed investments with your current revenue. Before borrowing money or taking out a loan, consider opportunities like changing your payments or receivable collection process, or reducing expenses. Then look into the right lending opportunities when you are ready to accomplish big milestones like expanding, relocating, or adding new technologies with more capabilities. Strategic growth is all about investing in the right areas of your business at the right time to create an infrastructure in which you can flourish.

For more small business tips and resources, visit wellsfargo.com/biz.

Whether you're a seasoned business owner or new entrepreneur, consider using these tips to succeed and thrive in an ever-changing environment.



STATE CHAMPS - SMALL ENGINES

On April 23, Gabe McElhane and Valiant Drennen competed at the State Small Engines contest at Career Nine Educational Center in Greenwood, Indiana. The team finished first as the State Champs in the contest. The boys competed in several areas of competition, including assembling of a motor, written knowledge test, parts and skills identification, a variety of skill stations, and demonstrated customer service. Congratulations Gabe and Valiant!

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The first opportunity is to attend any of the upcoming performances of Twelfth Night performed by Pulse players. The performance dates are May 6-21 with Friday and Saturday shows at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday shows at 4:00 p.m. Educators presenting their school ID at the box office will receive two complimentary tickets.

The second opportunity is for classes to participate in a virtual field trip where students will be able to see a pre recorded version of the Pulse players performing Twelfth Night. These performances will be available on May 17th and 18th at 9:30 a.m. And 1:30 p.m. There are free of charge to schools and students. To register for these performances, please email pulseoperahouse@citiznet.com. You will receive an email following up with more information once you register!

These performances are made possible by the generous support of our sponsors: The Hiner Family Foundation, The Huntington County Community Foundation and The Mary G. and Perry E Spencer Foundation.

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