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Thought for the Week: To be great is to be misunderstood. Ralph Waldo Emerson

CEMETERY MEETING

The Asbury Cemetery Corporation will meet on Monday, April 1st at 7 pm at Asbury Chapel Church. Anyone with an interest in the cemetery is invited to attend.

FISH FRY

The Spring Fish Chicken & Tenderloin Supper will be held March 23, 2024 from 4:30 - 7:30 at Twin Bridge Conservation Club in Mt Zion. Tickets are \$14 for Adults, \$7 for youth.

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

Palm Sunday Services will be held Sunday, March 24 at 9:30 a.m. in Sanctuary of Van Buren Church of the Vine. There will be a Good Friday Service - Stations of the Cross on March 29 from 4-7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and Resurrection Sunday - Cantata at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary, March 31.

WHAT TO KNOW

Much of Indiana will be in the zone of totality for the total solar eclipse on April 8, including 54 properties managed by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that will provide an excellent vantage point for viewing the once-in-a-lifetime event. "We look forward to welcoming thousands of Hoosiers and guests to see and feel the effects of this amazing astronomical event with the wonderful backdrop our public lands provide," said DNR director Dan Bortner. "We have guests coming in from across Indiana, the country, and the globe to camp, stay at our

inns, or spend the day with us. As you prepare your eclipse-day plans, we want you to be prepared to make the most of your time with us." If you plan to visit a state park, state forest, fish & wildlife area, or state-managed nature preserve within the zone of totality, expect to have a lot of company, plus the long lines and traffic that come with it — and plan for a full day enjoying the outdoors in spring's often fickle weather. If you live in the zone of totality (on.IN.gov/eclipse), you may want to view the event from your own backyard to avoid some challenges. Some tips: * Arrive early and stay put. Entrance gates (where they exist) open at 7 a.m. When parking areas are full, gates will close to cars and pedestrians. If you leave before the eclipse, you may not be able to get back in. * Bring your Annual Entrance Pass. Properties with entrance gates will charge gate fees. Cash or credit cards will be accepted, but showing your pass will help the lines move more quickly. * Bring cash. Wireless communications in the zone will likely be slow, so bring extra cash for food, drinks, gate entrance, and commemorative items that may be for sale, just in case. * Pick up ID tags. Free ID wristbands for kids will be available at or near entrance gates at most properties. * Bring lawn chairs and a picnic. The eclipse actually begins between noon and 1 p.m. depending on where

you are, but you'll want to arrive long before that. Some but not all locations may be selling food. * Fill your gas tank before you come. People from all over the world will be visiting, and gridlock may ensue as you head home. * Pack your car and your patience. Bring extra snacks, water and first aid supplies/medicines and a backpack of car games, videos, or other entertainment for the kids to enjoy during travel. * Monitor traffic at INDOT TrafficWise or 511IN.org. See more at on.IN.gov/eclipse-tips.

LILLY ENDOWMENT GRANTS

The Community Foundation of Huntington County has received a matching fund grant totaling \$750,000 as part of the eighth phase of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s initiative, Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT VIII). The grant will match qualified unrestricted endowment contributions with \$2 for every \$1 donated. "Unrestricted funding helps address the current opportunities and challenges within our communities and GIFT VIII represents a unique opportunity to triple the value of a donation," said Matt Ditzler, Community Foundation Executive Director. "We are grateful for Lilly Endowment's continued commitment to unrestricted matching support through Indiana's network of community foundations." Through GIFT VIII, Lilly Endowment has awarded matching fund grants totaling \$133.8 million to community

foundations serving all 92 of Indiana's counties. Eligible community foundations submitted proposals requesting grants ranging from \$100,000 to \$15,000,000 based on the population of the counties they serve. In 2023, Lilly Endowment launched GIFT VIII to help community foundations strengthen the towns, cities and counties they serve. Matching fund grants are one several funding opportunities designed to help community foundations promote long-term viability; further strengthen their abilities to lead; encourage board engagement; and support and develop strategic efforts to enhance quality of life in their communities. Matching donations will be added to the Community Impact Fund which supports current needs in Huntington County. Donors who reach over \$5,000 in cumulative donations to the Community Impact Fund have additional opportunities for grant sponsorships, invitations to check presentations and site visits and other exclusive matching opportunities. If you are interested in receiving a \$2 for \$1 match on a donation, please contact Matt Ditzler at 260-356-8878 or matt@huntingtonccf.org to learn more. About Community Foundation of Huntington County Organized in 1991, the Community Foundation of Huntington County exists to connect people and resources to address local challenges and opportunities. In 2023, the Community Foundation distributed over

\$1 million in grants and nearly \$200,000 in scholarships. John Nelson serves as the current President of the Board of Directors. For more information, go to www.huntingtonccf.org. About Lilly Endowment Inc. Lilly Endowment Inc. is an Indianapolis-based private foundation created in 1937 by J.K. Lilly, Sr. and his sons Eli and J.K. Jr. through gifts of stock in their pharmaceutical business, Eli Lilly and Company. Although the gifts of stock remain a financial bedrock of the Endowment, it is a separate entity from the company, with a distinct governing board, staff and location. In keeping with the founders' wishes, the Endowment supports the causes of community development, education and religion. The Endowment funds significant programs throughout the United States, especially in the field of religion. However, it maintains a special commitment to its founders' hometown, Indianapolis, and home state, Indiana.

EXPUNGEMENT PRESENTATION

A free presentation by attorney, Heidi Fowler, explaining Indiana's Expungement Law and local resources for legal assistance will be given on Tuesday, March 26th from 6 - 7 p.m. The event will be held at Ivy Tech Community College, 3701 Dean Drive, Tech Center Lecture Hall, Room #TC1125. Indiana's law allows a one-time opportunity for some low-level convictions, misdemeanors, and arrest

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Treva's
Recipe Box
 by Treva Flemming

This week I was in the test kitchen and was curious on this recipe so I whipped up some of these burgers and put on the grill.

Most of you know I love a good Coke especially if it's from the local fast food place. But to put in burgers, I had to give it a try. These are pretty good but I thought they tasted more like a meatloaf sandwich and if I would have diced some onions and put in them I think they would have. All in all they are good and moist. I grilled them on the gas grill and you might want to make them fairly thin like the recipe stated, but not smash burger thin. The glaze likes to drip and cause flare ups so be aware of that too. I served them on buns with tomato, onion and pickle. Enjoy!!

COLA BURGERS

- 1 lg. Egg
- 1/2 c. Cola, divided
- 1/2 . Crushed saltine crackers
- 6 tbsp. French dressing, divided
- 2 tbsp. Grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 tsp. Salt
- 1 1/2 # hamburger
- 6 buns

In large bowl, combine egg, 1/4 c. Cola, cracker crumbs, 2 tbsp French dressing, cheese, and salt. Add hamburger and mix lightly but thoroughly. Shape into 6-3/4 inch thick patties. Mixture will be moist.

In a small bow combine remaining cola and french dressing and set aside

Grill burgers covered over medium heat for 3 minutes on each side. Brush with cola mixture. Continue grilling until thermometer reads 160 degrees about 6-8 minutes, brushing and turning occasionally. Serve on buns with toppings



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 Sunday Worship 10:30a.m.
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 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
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 Monthly Meetings
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 Pastor Diane Samuels
 Fellowship Time 9:00a.m.
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- THE CHURCH AT MCNATT**
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.
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 office@firstccw.net
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 Youth Group-Wed 6:00 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month
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 765/934-3321 Parsonage
 Jeff Slater, Pastor
 Jim Knight, Superintendent
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
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 Evening Praise Hour 6:00p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.
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 765-934-1431
 Pastor Brad Hensley
 vanburenchurchofthevine@gmail.com
 Worship Service 9:30 am
 Sunday School 10:45am
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 Prayer Group (Thur) 6:30pm
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 Sunday Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study 7:00 pm



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records to be expunged (sealed) from criminal records. The Second Chance Initiative, a partnership of the Volunteer Center and the Volunteer Lawyer Program, offers individuals that meet qualification requirements the opportunity to have their Indiana conviction records expunged.

Volunteer Center Executive Director Ani Etter states, "A criminal record is one of the largest obstacles to better housing, employment, and education. The Second Chance Initiative provides a door to better opportunities for the future."

For more information, visit www.volunteerfortwayne.org

HONOR ROLL

Students achieving Honor Roll status at Eastbrook Middle School for 3rd quarter are as follows:

8th Grade - High Honor: Hunter Apple, Mirage Bauer, Taylor Crader, Audra Detamore, Aubrey Dewar, Micah Hallis, James Hancock, Val Hartvig, Zaydrik Hilty, Benjamin Holthaus, Alaina Ireland, Keon Lane, Olivia Legg, Caroline Lindsay, Emily Lindsay, Janssen Most-Blackburn, Libby Napier, Paizley Perin, Braylin Riggs, Alayna Rust, Madalyn Sheets, Alivia Slater, Treytin Smith, Jeremiah Smoot, Riley Strader, Ryder Turner, Grace Wright, and Maxwell Yordy.

8th Grade - Honor - Emma Ballinger, Austin Berryhill, Paxis Brodeur, Chloe Buck, Kora Carpenter, Ashton Conwell, Abigail Eastus, Charles Ensley, Emma Gorrell, Averie Hiles, Owen Kelly, Jase Kilgore, Sophia Manganello, Isaac Martin, Ardele Matangi, Miley McDaniel, Austin McVicker, Blaise Pinkerton, Ela Ruple, Adalynn Rust, Garrett Schamber, Kherington Shively, Carson Smith, Sydnie Smith, Caleb Startiz, Averie Stephenson, Jayden Sweat, Paili Swift, Calais Tiberi, and Landon Tropf.

7th Grade - High Honor: Jaelynn Aupperle, Peace

Ayano, Luke Bailey, Samuel Barrett, Sloan Brown, Ava Duke, Dylan Garde, Daniel Hayes, Ayyah Hilty, Immanuel Kaluka, Kyla Kemp, Addyson Miller, Ronan Moeschberger, Stella Moser, Elaina Nearingdner, Elena Rodriguez, Alayna Semilla, Lyndi Spurlock, Evie Stuttle, Tegan Turner, Iain Weaver, and Molly Yordy.

7th Grade - Honor: Rachel Belcher, Izzabella Bollhoefer, Logan Caudell, Maxwell Clark, Dawson Daugherty, Izabella Dean, Thatcher Demarse, Megan Fields, Stella Frazier, Braydon Freiburger, Malayah Gray, Ava Hinderliter, Ryder Horn, Isabella Hoss, Savannah Kidwell, Clayton Lewis, Jaxon Luckey, Arianna McGinnis, Kinley Newport, Kaydence Phenis, Lyla Smith, Micah Smith, Levi Southerland, Adalyn Straley, Kinsey Tucker, Josiah Wesley-Williams, and Griffyn Wolf.

6th Grade - High Honor: Maxwell Bragg, Alivia Bruckner, Nolan Chenoweth, Avery Dewar, Alivia Draper, Owen Gentis, Parker Harrell, Emmy Hartvig, Leah Johnson, Robert Knox, Cheyenne Lotz, Zander Luthy, Emily Markland, Mia Martin, Blake Reid, Candee Smith, Cooper Wolfe, Cooper Wolfe, and Ginger Zent.

6th Grade - Honor: Aubrey Applegate, Brooklyn Ball, Briar Briles, Mia Clemons, Kendall Duecker, Nora Duncan, Eevah Ewing, Alison

Hummel, Delilah Knox, Sienna Lemaster, Addison Leming, Madison Linger, Sydney Lochner, Luke Myrick, Katie Newport, Isaiah Olson, Ali Oswalt, Xavier Pinkerton, Bowen Poe, Autumn Purvis, Austyn Schuh, Alivia Stephenson, Emmett Stupples, Alivia Wilson, and Maci Wyatt.

NASHVILLE, TN TRIP DAY 2

by Larry Ryan
Breakfast at the Gaylord Opryland Resort was scheduled at 8 am for our group. This required taking the elevator down to ground level, walking through the atrium to the escalators, riding to the second floor, and walking about one half mile to the huge Tennessee Ballroom. We were notified to be present with tickets before 8:30 or miss the meal. With those strict orders, punctuation was necessary.

This three-tabled, breakfast buffet each morning included fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, sausage links, bacon, hash browns, French toast sticks, syrup, muffins, orange juice, and coffee. We only helped ourselves to a fair share of the food. The room was nearly full of hungry guests every morning. Our calorie load was reduced during the return, half mile walk to our room.

At 8:30, three guitar playing and singing performers supplied a half hour of music during this meal each day. They called themselves, the "Ten Year Town" and featured such numbers as "God Bless the USA," their own, "Heat-Seeking Mistletoe," as well as a few holiday tunes.

Our group of travelers left the hotel at 11 am for a lunch cruise on the General Jackson Showboat. It required traversing several down ramps to gain entrance to the dining area of the boat. While enjoying the meal of salad, roasted chicken, potatoes, carrots and dessert, we were floating up and down the Cumberland River. Excellent stage performers sang and danced for 45 minutes. One song centered on Dr. Phil and his advice that the wife is always right including quotes of, "Yes Dear," etc. Afterward, my wife and I crowded into the boat's only elevator to reach ground level, avoiding the return trip up the ramps!

By 2:45, this well-fed lunch group was back on the bus and headed to the "ICE" complex. This 9 degree, inside temperature building was within walking distance of the resort. Everyone was advised to bring coats, earmuffs, hats, gloves before leaving the hotel in the morning. With tickets and layered clothing, we were also issued a provisional parka to wear before entering the deep freeze. The latter was extremely necessary!

The ice sculptures inside the "ICE" complex were amazingly crafted. Two million pounds of ice was required. A main feature was the real life-sized Polar Express train, colored in black. Several Christmas-themed sculptures were fascinating. We were warned to not touch anything with bare skin. You could become one of the frozen attractions. An icy slide looked inviting, but it was crowded with fun seekers and besides, my nose was starting to run. A frozen nose could have been hazardous to my health, so we departed the freezer, minus the borrowed parka.

Outside of the complex were additional attractions. People were ice skating on a temperature-controlled rink as well as bumper cars and a large, carnival slide. We walked back to the Cascades section of the resort via the Delta sector. Appropriate signage helped me to not get lost in this different building. I actually helped one individual who was getting lost. My Boy Scout training kicked in!

The evening meal was ordered in an open-air dining area of the Cascades building. We shared an entrée and paid for it with a complimentary \$25 hotel gift card. The bill was \$21 and with the gratuity, a small amount was added to my credit card. Why not pay cash for the extra? It was a credit card only resort! Sat on our balcony for a while and listened to a vocalist and the

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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.

Mar 20		FIRST DAY OF SPRING!!!!
Mar 20	7:00p	VB - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Mar 31		EASTER
April 3	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC
April 3	7:00p	VB - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
April 8		ECLIPSE VIEWING - TBA
April 14	11-1	W - Beta Delta Dine-In Luncheon @ KBC
April 15	6:30p	W - Town Council Meeting @ Assembly Hall
April 17	7:00p	VB - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wednesdays - 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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water falls before watching the "Survivor" TV show. Early breakfast was listed for tomorrow.

ASK SHIP

Q: My husband and I are getting older and having more health concerns. We have Medicare and Medicaid, but we want to maintain our independence at home as much as possible. Are there any benefits or services that can help us? I don't want to burden my family too much for help.

A: Beginning this Summer, 2024, a new program called Pathways, will be offered that may benefit you and/or your husband.

The Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, FSSA, will partner with experienced health plans to create a managed long-term services and supports program (LTSS). This will allow experienced health plans to coordinate these benefits with an individual's other benefits, such as Medicare and Medicaid. The program is for Hoosiers aged 60 and over who receive Medicaid or both Medicaid and Medicare benefits (Dual Eligible).

Many Hoosiers who join the program will be able to get long-term care at home. Individuals who meet the criteria and join Pathways can choose a health plan from one of the three contracted Managed Care Entities (MCE)—Humana, United Healthcare, and Anthem. That plan can help them get services and support to increase their independence with services like transportation to their doctor's office, help in making meals, home-health

visits or adult day care centers.

Each qualifying member will have a care and services coordinator. These coordinators will help members get all of the benefits for which they qualify. Other services and support may be offered, depending on what the senior is qualified to receive. About 120,000 Hoosiers qualify for this program in Indiana.

Pathways is for Indiana Medicaid members who are:

- * 60 years of age and older

- * Eligible for a full-coverage aged, blind or disabled category (with or without Medicare)

- * Can be receiving long-term support services through Medicaid, including:

- Residing in a nursing or long-term care facility

- Are approved for an Aged and Disabled waiver

- * Can be on the Behavioral and Primary health Coordination Program

Qualified Medicaid recipients should expect to receive more information by mail this February. Those who enroll in Pathways should begin receiving benefits in July, 2024. You can learn more about Pathways and even compare plans at www.in.gov/pathways.

If you have questions related to Pathways call the Indiana Pathways for Aging Helpline at 87-PATHWAY-4 (877-284-9294). Or, visit www.in.gov/pathways/home/ You can also find us on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube.

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is a free and impartial counseling program for people with Medicare. SHIP

is provided by the Administration for Community Living and the Indiana Department of Insurance.

HISTORY MATTERS

(A feature courtesy of the Grateful American Book Prize - Showing our children that their past is a prelude to their future.)

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

March 16 to March 31

On March 16, 1903, the storied Judge, Roy Bean, died from natural causes. Early on, he had lived as an outlaw until he inched over to the right side of justice. But even now, rumors still circulate; it is said, for example, that he charged a dead man for carrying a six gun, and -then -- took \$40 from his pocket.

History.com tells us that "for about 16 years, Bean lived a prosperous and relatively legitimate life as a San Antonio businessman. In 1882, he moved to southwest Texas, where he built his famous saloon, the Jersey Lily, and founded the hamlet of Langtry. Saloon and town alike were named for the famous English actress, Lillie Langtry. Bean had never met Langtry, but he had developed an abiding affection for the beautiful actress after seeing a drawing of her in an illustrated magazine. For the rest of his life, he avidly followed Langtry's career in theatre magazines."

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends Judge Roy Bean Country by Jack Skiles.

Sixty-eight years ago "Elvis the Pelvis," The King of Rock and Roll, revved up his singing career, -and catapulted into a speedy sensation. Two years later-- on March 24, 1958--he was inducted into the U.S. Army:

"There would be huge changes in Elvis's life during his two years in the Army," according to History.com. "He would meet a 14-year-old Priscilla Beaulieu while in Germany, and he would watch while a new crop of teen idols took over the limelight on the U.S. pop scene. In the spring of 1960, Elvis would return to his rightful throne, but his Army years mark a clear line of separation between the Old Elvis and the New. Behind Elvis Presley lay records like That's Al Right (Mama) and Jailhouse Rock. Ahead of lay songs like Aloha Oe and Pocketful of Rainbows, and films like Harum Scarum and Clambake." He died of heart failure in 1977 at the age of 42.

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends Peter Guralnick's Last Train to Memphis: The Rise of Elvis Presley.

When he purchased Alaska from Russia on March 30, 1867, Secretary of State, William H. Seward, paid two cents per acre—a transaction that was dismissed by Horace Greeley's New York Tribune, as "Seward's Folly" and

President Andrew Johnson's "polar bear garden."

But at 663,267 miles -- and America's largest state -- it has produced billions of dollars in gold, oil, fish, furs, and timber.

History.com says that at the time "Horace Greeley, editor of the New York Tribune, led the opposition, writing, among other things, that most of Alaska was a 'burden...not worth taking as a gift! Some senators were equally skeptical, with one joking to his colleagues that he would support taking possession of the land only if Seward 'be compelled to live there.' Yet that same senator failed in an attempt to delay the proceedings, and the treaty ended up being approved on April 9 [1867] by a 37-2 vote."

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends Alaska: A History by Claus M. Naske and Herman E. Slotnick.

WHAT FOOT AND ANKLE

ISSUES WARRANT A

DOCTOR'S VISIT

(StatePoint) Most people have a foot or ankle problem at one time or another. So how do you know when to seek help?

Many symptoms—even those you can tolerate—require the professional attention of a foot and ankle

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GENEALOGY REPORT

SHOOK

James "Jim" Harold Shook, 67, of Marion, passed away on Monday, March 11, 2024, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.



He was born on July 13, 1956, in Marion to Xen Shook and Barbara Jean Small.

Jim attended Eastbrook High School, Marion.

He worked as a truck driver for several years.

Jim also worked maintenance for apartment complexes in Marion and Florida, where he met a lot of great people.

He was a teddy bear who loved life.

Jim enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his family.

He was always described as sweet and nice with his love of good food and good people.

Jim was preceded in death by his father, Xen Shook, step-father, Richard Spencer, wife, Lucinda Shook, and brother, Jeffrey Shook.

Loving survivors include his mother and step-father, Barbara and Bill Small; siblings, John Shook and Jody Heintz; step-daughters, Tahlia Bracey and Saliena (Bob) Taylor; step-son, George Jesus (Holly) Gould; aunt, Janet (Mark) Tomlinson; uncle, Gary (Naomi) Shook; a "heap" of grandchildren; a gaggle of nieces and nephews.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Van Buren Church of the Vine Fellowship Hall, 108 S. Second St., Van Buren, from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 17, 2024.

WESTFALL

Judy C. (Edwards) Westfall, 85, of Van Buren, passed away on Friday, March 15, 2024.

She was born on July 2, 1938, in Grant County to Marion and Beatrice (Graves) Edwards.

On July 1, 1956, Judy married Russell Westfall in Landess.

She was a member of Landess Christian Church and later attended Grace Community Church, Marion.

Judy graduated from Van Buren High School in 1956.

She worked alongside her husband on their farm.

Judy also worked for several years as an Eastbrook school bus driver.

She enjoyed playing the accordion and the piano. She played the piano at church for many years.

Survivors include her three children, George (Jenny) Westfall, Elizabeth (Gary) Duckwall and Susan (Steven Kile) Westfall-Kile;

grandchildren, Meagan Westfall, Zachary (Anna) Westfall, Bethany (Eric) Hoffman, Emily (Chris) Davis, Christopher (Halee) Duckwall, Jeffrey Duckwall, Julia Kile, Olivia Kile and Sara Kile; great-grandchildren, Chloe Smith, Evelyn Smith, Bearett Smith, Alexis Westfall, Addilyn Westfall, Keagan Westfall, Bailey Westfall, Piper Westfall, Ella Hoffman, Adalyn Hoffman, Archer Hoffman, Amelia Davis, Isabella Davis, Olivia Davis, Briella Duckwall and Brian Duckwall; brother, Jack Edwards; many nieces and nephews.

Judy was preceded in death by her parents, spouse, and siblings, Phillip Edwards, Robert Edwards and Richard Edwards.

The family will receive visitors from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, as well as one hour prior to the service on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral & Cremation Service, Storey Chapel, 400 E. Main St., Gas City.


A service to celebrate Judy's life will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Marion.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Grace Community Church, 1810 E.

Bradford Pike, Marion, IN 46952.

RENNAKER

 Dale E. Rennaker, 81, of Marion, passed away in his home on Saturday, March 16, 2024.

He was born in Marion on November 5, 1942, to the late Everett L. and Louise M. (Yeager) Rennaker.

Dale was a graduate of Van Buren High School Class of 1961.

He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps after his graduation. He proudly and honorably served until his discharge in 1962.

Dale married Elizabeth Dailey on June 29, 1969, and they shared many happy years together.

He worked for the former Fisher Body and retired from General Motors in 1999.

After his retirement, Dale worked for Dynamite Building Maintenance.

In his free time, he enjoyed fishing, bowling, playing euchre and canasta and the occasional board game.

Dale was a jokester and always enjoyed a good laugh with his family and friends.

He is survived by his daughters, Melissa Sands, of Marion, and Sharon (Mike) Edwards, of Fairmount; three grandchildren, Jessica Edwards, of Marion, Justin Edwards, of Marion, and Jared Edwards, of Lafayette; six great-grandchildren, Elija, Aaliyah, Grace, Paige, Phoenix and Jeannetta.

Dale is preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth Rennaker, grandchild, Eric Michael Oliver, and siblings, Robert Rennaker and baby Rennaker.

Graveside services will be announced at a later date.

MILLER

Markus Allen Miller, 32, of Fairmount, passed away at 9:07 a.m. on Saturday, March 16, 2014.

He was born April 2, 1991, in Kokomo to James Allen and Michelle Christine (Buie) Miller.

A 2009 graduate from Eastbrook High School, Markus was a jack of all

trades whether it was farming, operating heavy equipment or repairing vehicles.

He also was passionate about 4-H programs.

Most of all, Markus loved spending time with his family, especially his sons.

He is survived by his parents, James Miller and Michelle Miller; sons, Hayden Miller and Bryce Miller; brother, John Miller; grandfathers, Jack (Beth) Buie, Donald Miller, and David Chenoweth; mother of his children, Britnee VanMatre; great-aunt, Jean Benson; aunts, Robin Chenoweth and Debbie Miller; nephew, John Lukas Miller; as well as several cousins.

Markus was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Betty Miller and Shirley Chenoweth, and great uncle, Harold Benson.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 until 7 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2024, at Hasler Stout Funeral Home, 112 E. Main St., Greentown.

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surgeon to keep the underlying condition from worsening. According to Danielle Butto, DPM, FACFAS, a board-certified foot and ankle surgeon and a Fellow Member of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS), "It's important to remember that foot health is an important part of your overall health. You need to take care of your feet, which includes going to the doctor when you have pain, sustain an injury or develop a condition needing professional evaluation and treatment."

Here are five examples of when you should make an appointment with your foot and ankle surgeon.

1. When you have diabetes: Living with diabetes means being more prone to a variety of conditions that affect the feet, including foot sores and ulcers. At the same time, diabetic nerve damage makes it harder to detect when there's a problem. Regular visits to a foot and ankle surgeon should be part of your holistic diabetes treatment plan. The doctor can screen for the loss of protective sensations in the feet, as well as diagnose and treat any structural issues leading to ulcers and wounds. Swelling, temperature and color changes in the feet, and

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calluses, are all telltale signs an ulcer may be around the corner and warrant a trip to a foot and ankle surgeon.

2. When children experience pain: When it comes to pediatric foot problems, early intervention is key to long-term successful treatment. As a parent, you may find distinguishing between growing pains and injuries or deformities difficult. But foot and ankle surgeons stress that pain isn't normal and if it lasts more than a few days or is severe enough to limit your child's walking, it should be evaluated. Foot problems commonly experienced by children include flat feet, ingrown toenails, calcaneal apophysitis and plantar warts.

3. When you're at risk for falling: Falls have become the leading cause of injury deaths among Americans 65 and older, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. While the reasons falls occur are numerous, painful foot conditions are a contributing factor, as they make it difficult to maintain balance and coordination. Fortunately, many such conditions are treatable. See a foot and ankle surgeon to alleviate pain and reduce your risk of a life-changing fall.

4. When you can benefit from medical advances: A loss of cartilage once meant a loss of functionality. Today, joint reconstruction surgery with cartilage regeneration offers real hope for long-term functionality, nurturing the body's own ability to heal itself—with a little boost from technology and a knowledgeable surgeon. Likewise, new surgical techniques for ankle arthritis, including arthroscopic ankle surgery, total ankle joint replacements and bone or cartilage replacement, are helping people stay active. Finally, platelet-rich plasma therapy can promote the healing of bones, cartilage, blood vessels, tendons and tissue for many patients, and

is associated with easier recovery than traditional treatments. If you suffer from a foot and ankle ailment, ask your healthcare provider about game-changing medical advances.

5. When pain is sidelining you: It's important for athletes and fitness enthusiasts to rest and recover rather than push through foot and ankle pain caused by an overuse injury. If the pain doesn't improve in three to seven days however, it's time to see a foot and ankle surgeon for evaluation and treatment.

With the highest level of education, training and board certification, foot and ankle surgeons are the leaders in surgical and non-surgical foot and ankle care. For more information, or to find a foot and ankle surgeon near you, visit FootHealthFacts.org, the patient education website of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

HOW TO AVOID HEFTY SMARTPHONE REPAIR COSTS

(StatePoint) From listening to music to watching movies, connecting with family to counting steps, Americans say in a new study that they depend on their smartphones like never before. And they are putting their money where their mouth is. The amount of money they spent on screen repairs surged to \$8.3 billion in 2023, nearly tripling the amount spent in 2018 (\$3.4 billion).

In its latest Mobile Mythconceptions Survey, Allstate Protection Plans found that despite the rising amount spent on smartphone repair, Americans are actually damaging their devices less frequently. In the past 12 months, 78 million Americans reported damaging a device compared to 87 million during a comparable period in 2020.

Cost Conscious Consumers Last year, the three most frequent accidents and

malfunctions reported were: damaged screens (67%), Wi-Fi or connectivity issues (28%) and touchscreen problems (24%).

When Americans do damage their phones, repair costs remain a significant concern for many. In fact, 49% of Americans would not repair a damaged smartphone that still functions due to the high costs involved. This could be in part due to sticker shock and misconceptions around the cost of smartphone ownership. The survey found that the average cost for repairs and replacements is now \$302, yet 47% of Americans think repairs cost \$150 or less. The top reason given by respondents who have damaged a smartphone for avoiding or delaying repairs was the cost, with 39% saying they could not afford it.

The Race to Repair

Smartphones have taken center stage, with 45% of smartphone owners spending five or more hours a day glued to their screens and the overwhelming majority saying their phone has completely replaced their digital camera. So it's no surprise that despite cost concerns, many American smartphone owners don't delay when dealing with damage, with 27% saying they would initiate screen repairs within a day due to the importance of their phones in everyday life. When it comes to broken buttons, 36% say they would wait a day or less to repair their phone, 30% for damaged speakers, 29% for broken microphones and 22% for broken cameras.

The good news? With a high-quality case, you can help prevent damage, and with a protection plan in place, you can avoid hefty out-of-pocket costs when mishaps do occur. For information on plans, which cover repair costs on everything from battery failure and cracked screens to liquid damage and touchscreen failure, and which are available to both

individuals and families, visit AllstateProtectionPlans.com.

Since the introduction of the smartphone, Americans have spent \$149 billion on repairs and replacements. By taking a few precautionary measures, smartphone ownership can be a much more affordable prospect.

4 TRENDS TO TAKE MUTED INTERIORS FROM DRAB TO DREAMY IN 2024

(StatePoint) While neutral tones continue to be popular this year among home DIYers, bold and colorful surroundings also are trending right now.

From adding dramatic style to the kitchen to giving an unexpected space a splash of color, these ideas—inspired by the 2024 FrogTape Design Trends, as identified by celebrity interior designer Taniya Nayak—will make areas around your home pop in 2024.

Colorful Kitchens. Make the kitchen a focal point by painting the cabinets or panels on the island a vivid color. Calming blue will ensure a relaxed and laid-back feeling, while fuchsia will energize the design. Nayak recommends using FrogTape Delicate Surface Painter's Tape to prevent paint bleed and achieve crisp paint lines. The low-adhesion tape is designed to prevent damage on surfaces like cabinets, freshly painted walls, wallpaper and more.

Dynamic Décor. If painting projects aren't in the plan for this year, revive a living room or bedroom by adding a collection of brightly colored pillows and throws, bohemian-style macramé, wall art and a rug with geometric patterns. As long as the colors are complementary to each other, the blend of styles and textures will catch the eye and make the room feel refreshed with little effort.

Nourishing Green. A simple, but effective, way to boost the mood of a space is to fill it with large blooms. Place a modern plant stand in an

empty corner or between rooms as a divider, and layer in green houseplants or ones with colorful leaves on the shelves. Accentuate the greenery with pops of the same color throughout the room to create a sense of cohesion.

Elevated Exteriors. It's not just the interiors of the home that should speak to personal style, the outside should, too! Give the front door a facelift by painting it a daring color. Don't be afraid to choose one hue for the outside of the door and another for the inside. For this project, apply FrogTape Multi-Surface Painter's Tape before painting, so that trim around the door and doorknob is protected from paint bleed.

For more fresh decor ideas and design tips, visit FrogTape.com.

Whether you choose one or all of these trends, they can be tackled by DIYers with a range of skillsets to transform dull living spaces into the home of your dreams.

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