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Thought for the Week: We all need to have a creative outlet - a window, a space - so we don't lose track of ourselves. Norman Fischer



HUNTINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER RECEIVES STATEWIDE AWARD

The Association of Indiana Counties (AIC) announced that Huntington County Council Member Terry Miller received the 2024 Outstanding County Council Member Award. The award recognized his contributions to county government throughout his years of public service.

As a realtor, Terry brings his expertise to his county council and the statewide council organization. Terry serves as a secretary for the Indiana County Council Association (ICCA) and is also the Council Association's Northeast District Leader. Terry helps create and plan the Council Association's Annual Conference and Newly Elected Officials' agenda. He is a contributing member to the Council Association's Legislative Committee.

He helped Huntington County secure funding for the O'Donnell Center at Victory Noll, housing a restorative work release program for residents, under a Huntington County Community Corrections alternative sentencing initiative in collaboration with the Huntington County Drug Court. Residents at the O'Donnell Center have access to on-site addictions recovery counseling and comprehensive mental health services.

He is a faithful attendee of AIC Events. He is a member of several local boards including the Plan Commission, the Development and Redevelopment Plan Commission, the Lime City Economic Development, and the Community Corrections Advisory Board.

The award was presented during the AIC's 66th Annual Conference in Switzerland County. The AIC's Annual Conference is the largest gathering of county officials in the state. Representatives from public agencies, private entities, and local elected officials addressed issues such as: Retirement, Transportation, Public Records, Human Resources, Elections, AS KIDS AND ADULTS PARADE Public Health Funding, Cybersecurity, and the Future of Local

Pictured above: L-R Nancy Marsh, Hendricks County Auditor and AIC President, Terry Miller, Huntington County Council Member, and Anton Neff, Owen County Council Member and ICCA President.

BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Warren Public Library will have a \$1.00 a bag used book sale, Saturday, October 5, from 10am - 2pm. Bags will be provided by the Library.

There will be selections of non-fiction, fiction, children's books, tween books, teen books, graphic novels, and DVDs.

The Library is located at 123 E 3rd St, Warren. The phone number of the Library is 375-

This is the last sale of 2024. See you in March 2025.

MEET THE CANDIDATES

County Huntington Democratic party is hosting a Meet the Candidates event at Riverside Park on October 5th from noon to 1:30pm.

They will be serving hot dogs and water to people who show up. The candidates attending will be: Joseph Swisher, running for State Representative House District 50; Cynthia Wehr, County running for Commissioner; Kevin Rice, running for County Council at Roxanna Murray, running for County Council at MeElhaney, Scott running for County Treasurer.

The public is invited to come and ask questions.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL

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sponsors the to participate. Please provide lineup. family-friendly booth, organize a free game or Monday, November 11. We activity and provide treats for are excited to show all the trick or treaters!

exciting events and games at help bring awareness to the festival. Along with the Monday the 11th! Chili Cookoff and Local

location, Scarecrow guidelines, the screen during the event. and Chili Cook-off details The photo and info may be please call Bippus State Bank emailed or scanned of Warren @ 260-375-2265 or returned to you at Bolinger's email

pbustos@bippusbank.com.

entry forms are due October 5pm. 18th and will be at Bippus ginac@agbest.com State Bank. This is an Outside 260-375-4505 or permitting. The Event is Friday, questions, to send October 25th, 6-8pm. Check photo/details, to schedule out our Facebook page your talent, to volunteer, and "Warren Scarecrow Festival" to RSVP to 375-4505, in order

VETERANS INVITED

Inviting all Veterans, Active-Duty Military & their Families and Passed Veterans' Families to a Veteran's Celebration on Sunday, November 10th at Warren's Solid Rock Church.

Event of the Fall Season, The 10th annual Patriotic hosted in Downtown Warren. ceremony starts at 5:00 pm Start creating your Scarecrow serving up a complimentary & Brewing your tastiest Chili! dinner followed by an Armed The costume parade kicks off Forces Tribute by "A Few Good the Festivities at 6pm at 3rd & Men" and more! Please share Wayne Street. Family Friendly your talents by playing an activities and treats will be instrument, singing a special lining the streets. The Warren song, and or sharing a favorite Area Chamber of Commerce verse to honor our Military. Scarecrow Please call 260-375-4505 to Festival and encourages local schedule your talent and businesses and organizations position in the entertainment

Officially Veterans Day is Veterans our support on the There are always new & Sunday before, in order to

Please mark your calendars Restaurants there will be Food for Sunday, November 10th. Trucks to keep all of your You are welcome to wear your families happy. Thank you to military uniform. Pictures in Citizen's Telephone & Bippus your Military Uniform or "In State Bank for the Scarecrow Action" along with your Festival Banners hanging on Branch of Service, dates of each end of Warren's Wayne when and where you are currently serving or have For more information, booth served, will be displayed on Propane Service, located at 115 N. Wayne St. in Warren by Scarecrow & Chili Cook-off Wednesday, November 6th @ Please call or 260-917weather 1707 if you have to help prepare for this event. Currently there are 200+ Military troops on the Tribute Video; there is always room for More!

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Kudos, Kicks & Karats



Setting here trying to decide what to write about and my thoughts reflect back to when it was very simpler. computers, no violence, no opinionated people, just living life as it should be.

One thing we did often was visit the apple orchards mainly in the fall of the year. We would bring home apples to make into delicious pie, cakes and occasionally caramel apples and of course Gayle always talked mom into a gallon of apple cider.

Our normal place that we went to was Huntington orchard. We would walk into that cement type building and get bags of apples of different kinds. It's always best to get a variety cause combination of flavors in apples are best.

My mom always makes applesauce to freeze and in order to make it good you need a variety, at least three types of apples. To make it good and I agree even when making pie or cake there is just something about it that just sets it off.

So this week mom and I will be going to Phil's u pick and gather our apples and get to making some great stuff to eat, my request that I have received is apple pie, German apple cake, fritters, dumplings, well John just wants anything apple, including scalloped and baked.

So take a moment in the next couple weeks and go to the orchards and get apples, pumpkins gourds and get ready for all the fall spectacular cause you know as well as I do winter will be here soon, so make those memories with family and friends and enjoy it. Till next time happy fall y'all.



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DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

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

Worship Service 9:00a.m. Sunday School 10:00a.m. HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST

101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726

Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor Worship...... 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:15 a.m. THE NEW BEGINNING

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

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

Chaplains Ginny Soultz, John Moyer &

Cindy Osgood Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Mon-Fri Chapel Services 9:15 a.m. Sunday Catholic Mass 1:00p.m. Thurs. Catholic Mass 10:30a.m.

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Sunday School9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m. Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ... Sun 11:30 Ekklesia Sun 6:30pm

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Worship 10:30 a.m. Wed. Midweek Service...... 6:30 p.m.

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375-3873 John Boyanowski, Pastor

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3147 W 543 S, Huntington 765.251.2322

Ron Forsythe, Pastor

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694-6622

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

1st Mon Ministry Team 7:00 p.m. 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am 4th Mon ABW 1:30 pm

LIBERTY CENTER **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Pastor Diane Samuels

Fellowship Time9:00a.m. Morning Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

THE CHURCH AT MCNATT

375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor

Lois Slusher, Supt. Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.

Coffee Fellowship...... 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m. MT. ETNA COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH

260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124

Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike" Good Morning Church (Sunday School for all ages Worship Service10:00 - 11:00 Everyone is Welcome

> **SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN**

468-2412

Mel Zumbrun, Pastor Worship9:30 a.m. Church School 10:45a.m.

1st CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF WARREN

375-2102

www.firstccw.net

Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor Takarra Myers, Youth Director

office@firstccw.net Sunday Worship...... 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Youth Sunday School during

Worship Service Youth Group-Wed 6:00 p.m.

Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VR CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

765/934-3321 Parsonage Jeff Slater, Pastor

Jim Knight, Superintendent Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.

Children's Church 10:30a.m. Evening Praise Hour 6:00p.m. Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VB CHURCH OF THE VINE

765-934-1431 Pastor Brad Hensley

vanburenchurchofthevine@gmail.com Worship Service 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45am Not Home Alone - Wed 3:00 pm Prayer Group (Thur)...... 6:30pm Men Serving God Group ... 4th Sat. 9am Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am

Just Older Youth 3rd Tue 12:00 pm WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

Mickey Strong, Senior Minister Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.

Tara Bower - Secretary www.warrenchurchofchrist.org

Fellowship9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion9:30 a.m. Sunday School11 to 11:50 a.m. Youth:

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

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN 765-618-0027

Pastor Al Soultz

Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am Sunday School Classes9:30 am Wed. Bible Study7:00 pm





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at 485 Bennett Drive, Warren, criteria: across from Heritage Point. Walk-ins Everyone is Invited to attend Free Campaign Kits! this Celebration to show support to our Military. Thank musical composition, use of MP3 formats only. you, Veterans, and Active-Duty Military for ALL you do for our Country, God Bless for multi-platform use) America!

COMPOSE YOUR WAY TO \$10K

Compose your way to \$10k IN Indiana. The Indiana Destination Development Foundation (IDDF) and Lt. Gov. Crouch Suzanne invite musicians to capture the fun and excitement of our state in the form of a musical jingle and win \$10,000.

"Indiana is a state full of creativity, and we are thrilled invite musicians showcase their talents," said Lt. Gov. Crouch, chair of IDDF. "This contest is a unique way to celebrate Indiana while highlighting the excitement of all that our state has to offer."

All contestants must be 18 years of age or older and a resident or native of Indiana or a graduate of an Indiana institution of higher learning. All federal, state and local laws apply. regulations Deadline for submissions is Nov. 4, 2024, 11:59 p.m. ET. Individual musicians may submit only one jingle, individual however, an musician may also be part of ensemble submission. Companies are not eligible to submit. The selected winner will be notified and receive \$10.000.

"We are excited to tap into Indiana's rich musical talent with this contest and give Indiana musicians a chance to compose the spirit of our state," said Elaine Bedel, Secretary and CEO of IDDC "Capturing the essence of Indiana is no small task and we are looking forward to hearing how Indiana's artists use their creativity to bring lyrics to life in a jingle."

Selection Process and Criteria All submissions will be reviewed by a panel. The panel will select the finalist

based on the extent to which Solid Rock Church is located the jingle meets the following a

- * Reflects core pillars of the Welcome. IN Indiana brand - Review the
 - lyrics)

 - * Originality

Contest Rules and Regulations can be found on Page 6 of this issue of the Warren Weekly.

No copyrighted music or and vocal tracks separately. lyrics, Al-written music or lyrics, libelous or defamatory exclusive lyrics, or parodies will be accepted.

A good jingle submission "IN includes the phrase Indiana", catchy is and adaptable and portrays the state in a positive, creative light. The tone of the jingle should always be informative, rights to and interest in the inviting, and inclusive, while injecting neighborly wit that keeps it fun and engaging.

Winner Notification

The winner will be notified no later than Dec. 6, 2024 and will receive a prize of \$10,000. How to Submit

Musicians wishing to respond to this call for jingle entries should:

* Read and accept the submission are released. Contest Rules and Regulations (Page 6 of this issue).

https://www.visitindiana.com/ campaign-kits/ to learn more about the IN Indiana brand.

* Musicians ready to submit should visit jingle SoundCloud or YouTube to upload the jingle. Submissions can only be 30 seconds in length and will be accepted in * Creative quality (e.g., WAV, FLAC, AIFF, ALAC, and

* Fill out the form here -* Versatility (jingle is suitable https://www.visitindiana.com /blog/post/jingle-contest questions, contact: Information@IDDC.IN.gov

> * The winner acknowledges that they will supply music

Miscellaneous

- * IDDF shall be the sole and owner of all submissions, unless and until IDDF releases its rights to the submission back to contestant. Contestants are given full rights to their submissions if they are not chosen as the winner.
- * The winner gives up all music and lyrics of the winning submission.
- * Contestants shall not share their submissions anywhere (web, social media etc.), nor make any use of their submissions, nor any part of submissions, or their variation of their submissions, until they receive notice that their IDDF's rights to
- * Contest Rules and Regulations (See page 6)

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SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

Terry and Melinda Daniels, of the Warren Pharmacy, had grandchildren visiting with them! Winter Pfuelb, their 10 year old granddaughter held a Tootsie Roll Sweepstakes at the Warren Pharmacy!

Many people signed up to win 10 Tootsie Rolls.

Winner(s) were chosen Monday morning and are Sierra on behalf of DeWeese Soft Water & Appliance, and Arie Hartman.

Previous winners who still need to claim their prize are Leia Waite and Heaven Griffin.

VICKSBURG & NATCHEZ TRIP DAY 6

by Larry Ryan The bus driver and traveling helpers had stowed the luggage in the bus by 9 am. Natchez (NTZ abbreviated) was losing forty visitors. It was 79 degrees and the sky had a scattering of gray clouds. US highways #84 & #61 were located easier than finding a previous restaurant.

While leaving this historic city, we passed businesses named, Some of This, Some of That and Skates Auto Glass. chance here. After escaping #84, Vicksburg was 65 miles ahead on Route #61. The steep roadsides had been mowed somehow and beyond that was an auto junkyard that allowed cattle to graze between the wrecked vehicles. Possibly, some rusted metal leached into the grass

which improved the bovine's iron consumption!? Symbiotic plan? I liked a previous sighting of sheep and goats pasturing under solar panels

By 10 o'clock, we were bypassing Vicksburg and took a rest stop at a Welcome Center. Some of the passengers wondered why we were being greeted again! The group had just spent four days in Mississippi. It was realized that since the center was near the big river, east-bound travelers from Louisiana were the real recipients of the welcome. Sometimes things complicated when traveling without a map!

More large, flat-land cotton fields surrounded us. By 11:30, the rough pavement created a No Sleep Zone! Houses were miles apart. The bus sped past Yazoo Wildlife Reserve. No wild. live creatures were observed; not even humans. While motoring through the small town of Shaw, MS, one building contained both a Dollar Tree and Family Dollar. Barely 25 yards north of this location was a Dollar General business. Wal+Mart had no

Prior to lunch, the bus navigated the Cleveland, MS city limits. Price of gasoline was \$3.07. A BLT was lunch and was not purchased at Mosquito Burrito. Afterwards, we moved past Zaxby's,

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FARM MARKET

Weekly Specials Oct 3 - 9

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

Oct 2 Noon W - Chamber Luncheon @ KBC Oct 2 7:00p V - Town Council @ Town Hall Oct 8 SSF Meeting @ KBC 6:30p Oct 12 **COLUMBUS DAY** Oct 14 6:00p W - Town Council @ Assembly Hall V - Town Council @ Town Hall Oct 16 7:00p 6:30 p Oct 21 W - KBC Board Meeting @ KBC Oct 25 6-8p W - Scarecrow Festival, Downtown Warren HALLOWEEN - W - Trick or Treat Hours Oct 31 6-8p

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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and the Vinyl Hut. Following a Supplement rest stop, Memphis lay ahead. Prescription Drug Plans, or A roadside stand advertised crawfish. Rain had flooded fields here; not irrigation. It plans was 4:30; Tennessee state line was accessed. A "Hands Free Vehicles Only" lane was noted! Annual Enrollment I recalled a story presented by Mississippi. After the end of the Civil War, an overloaded Medicare carried many Union Soldiers, know: had a malfunctioning boiler explosion. April 27, 1865. It has been worst the lives on this Mississippi River in 1982 on the Arkansas side which you can expect to assess your budget and your of the river and pulled up receive in September. from 32 feet under a soy bean

Holiday Inn Wolfchase Galleria near Memphis. In the hotel's bar and grill, my wife and I topped off a long day of traveling.

course through time!

We will be searching for Indiana turf tomorrow.

READY FOR OPEN ENROLLMENT? 4 TIPS FOR CHOOSING THE RIGHT MEDICARE PLAN

(StatePoint) With so many daunting. This year you may be wondering how news of Medicare negotiations, uncertainties coverage in 2025.

health insurance program for MA plans cover everything Americans 65 and older and original Medicare does, plus others who qualify, providing more; most also include hospital coverage (Part A) and dental, vision and hearing beneficiaries. there are a variety of options over-the-counter

that coordinate with original transportation to doctor's Vance's Meat and Grocery, Medicare, such as Medicare plans and replace original Medicare with Medicare Advantage (MA) combined Prescription Drug Plans.

During this year's Medicare Period While approaching Memphis, (AEP), which takes place Before enrolling in a particular between Oct. 15-Dec. 7, 2024, plan, the local tour guide in here's what Cigna Healthcare, understand its ins and outs. which serves millions of Call steamboat, the Sultana, which nationwide, wants you to 24/7; TTY users can call 1-877-

- Approximately your current plan is working at 1,800 people perished four for you, you can likely keep it. compare. For local assistance, the Native Americans came to skunk skin. The smell churned miles south of Memphis on However, it's a good idea to refer to the State Health review your plan every AEP, Insurance Assistance Program especially if maritime disaster in the USA. experienced major life, health More individuals lost their or financial changes. Any changes to your current plan catastrophe than in the will be outlined in your CignaMedicareInformation. sinking of the Titanic. The Medicare plan's Annual Notice side-wheel boat was located of Change (ANOC) letter,
- 2. Research your coverage: field. This gigantic waterway There are a few key things to has amazingly changed its watch for when shopping for a plan. One of them is whether At 5:30 the bus arrived at the your favorite providers and specialists will be in-network. You should also review each plan's formulary - that is, the enjoyed Cobb salads which list of drugs covered under the plan. You'll want to find a plan that will cover your current medications and any you doctor anticipate your prescribing over the course of Finally, the year ahead. carefully consider your total spend for your prescription pharmacy premiums plus costs) since the maximum Medicare options available, out-of-pocket costs for drugs selecting a plan can seem you utilize will be capped at \$2,000 in 2025.
- 3. Look for value: No matter price what the economic outlook is, economic it's wise to select a plan that other provides great value. To that factors may impact your end, you may want to consider an MA plan, which Medicare is the government offers quality and affordability. physician visits (Part B) to benefits, prescription drug Additionally, coverage, and other extras like drugs,

but vou'll also want to check on your health status.

4. Understand your plan: make sure Medicare at customers MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) 486-2048. Or, visit the 1. Check for plan changes: If Medicare Plan Finder website you've at www.shiptacenter.org. You can also contact individual Medicare plans. including Healthcare Cigna

> health needs and find an option that will work for you and your lifestyle in 2025," Kocher, says Ryan chief growth officer for Cigna Healthcare Medicare.

EQUAL RESPECT

by Daris Howard Rachel didn't like moving out west with her family, leaving their nice New England home. She was only eleven when they moved, and it was a long, arduous journey across the plains in the covered wagon. Her father worked hard and built a modest cabin, but plan coverage (i.e., three small rooms for twelve people made it more than a little crowded.

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visits and pharmacies, healthy most was how her father cooking.

"Rachel," he said, "if you better. 1-800- treat others with respect, will be better."

Another thing her father Medicare.gov/plan- insisted on was that if any of their home and were hungry, Rachel's stomach, and she they were fed. Rachel's father would always go out and stay told her, "This was their land in the barn until he left. She before we came. We are their called him Skunk Man, at least guests, and they will be ours, when her father wasn't If we have food, we will share listening. And try as she might, it with them."

"AEP is your opportunity to week go by without a few Native Americans coming by. Usually, it was only Native American men traveling in hunting parties. sometimes, there would be whole families, including mothers and children. When they came, Rachel's father encouraged Rachel and her siblings to make friends with the children, but Rachel would have none of it.

Rachel also despised having to share their food. There were some winters when they ran low and had to ration it

But what bothered Rachel Rachel's mother was always grocery purchases, and fitness insisted they treat the Native mostly only grew wheat and services. MA plans are often Americans with respect. Most potatoes because they gave available with \$0 premiums, of the other settlers' children the most food for the talked negatively about them, cultivated land. The Native on what your annual out-of- but Rachel didn't dare. More Americans loved bread and pocket costs could be based than once, her father had potatoes. Rachel felt if they scolded her for her attitude. didn't have to share so much, He was a religious man and her father might have food to insisted everyone was equal in sell, and then they could have other things that she liked

> But above all, there was one most people will return that Native American man that respect to you, and your life Rachel liked the least. It was not because he was mean or caused problems. It was because he always wore a Rachel could not find any Rachel had hardly seen a positive feelings toward Skunk

> > Then, one day, after Skunk Man and the group he was with left, the family realized their youngest girl was gone. Rachel's little sister was only three, and Rachel was sure

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GENEALOGY REPORT

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that Skunk Man must have was one of Rachel's favorite taken her. Surely a child that people. She would smile when small couldn't have gone far she saw him coming and invite on her own.

heart. The family started to skin. At least, not too much. search, but Rachel was sure it would do no good. She was sure she knew where her little sister was. Rachel's older brother was dispatched to ride to the neighbors' houses asking all he met for help in the search. Soon a large group gathered. They searched all day and much of the night, OUTDOOR REPAIRS WITH but to no avail.

Then, the next morning, Skunk Man and those with him were back. That made Rachel angry. Did they come back to admit what they had done? She could see by the reaction of neighbors that many of them felt the same

Skunk Man, using sign language, asked her father where the child had last been seen. Rachel's father took Skunk Man to the yard behind the house. Skunk Man got on his knees and looked carefully at the ground. Soon he and the men with him moved off in the direction of a small including Others, ravine. Rachel and her mother, Native followed. The Americans kept stopping and checking the ground and them, items around then continued on.

When they were less than a quarter-mile from the house, the men stopped at some bushes. They checked all around them, then Skunk Man let out a loud yell. Suddenly, he started digging at an old badger hole, and the other men helped him. Eventually, Skunk Man slid face-first into the hole until only his feet were sticking out. Then he let out a yell from underground, and the other Native American men pulled him out. Tucked in Skunk Man's arms was Rachel's little sister. Her face was tear-stained, and she was a bit scratched up, but she was otherwise unhurt. When Skunk Man handed the child to her mother, Rachel watched her strong, brave mother break down and sob.

From then on, Skunk Man him into their home. And she Anger swelled in Rachel's didn't even mind the skunk

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HEAVY-DUTY DUCT TAPE

(StatePoint) With fall here, it's time to prepare yards and outdoor gear for the cooler months. While many think of duct tape as a quick fix for indoor projects, it might come as a surprise just how versatile and effective heavy-duty duct **RUNNING** tape can be for upkeep outside. Tool Tune-Up

and Shovels, rakes lawnmowers are key prepping and maintaining the yard. These tools may show signs of wear and tear after enduring heavy use summer. Use durable duct tape to make any necessary fixes to ripped lawn mower bags or a peeling rake grip, so they'll hold up under the stresses of fall yard work and help you get the job done without interruption.

Sturdy and Safe Outdoor Furniture

Summer storms and heavy winds might have damaged exterior furniture and décor. But broken tables and chairs can become a hazard if left in poor shape. Before hosting a bonfire or other backyard gathering, assess the condition patio of your furniture.

If quick, sturdy fixes are needed, Duck Max Strength Duct Tape is an excellent choice, whether for mending a cracked chair arm or tears in an umbrella or canopy. The tape offers the ideal balance between being easy to tear and tough enough to make long-lasting repairs. strong adhesion and holding power ensure furniture stays functional and safe for guests.

Patch Camping Gear

Camping trips over long summer weekends may have caused equipment deteriorate. Before securing tents and canoes in the garage or shed for winter, assess them for rips, cracks or holes. If any are found, patch them with heavy-duty duct tape so they're ready for use next year. This easy solution will hold up against the elements and allow you to stay dry, warm and safe during your next adventure.

For more ways to use duct tape https://www.duckbrand.com/.

From fixing yard tools to patching up camping gear, duct tape is an essential item in any shed, garage or toolbox

LOCAL RACE? HOW TO KEEP YOUR FEET HEALTHY

(StatePoint) Whether you're a novice jogger embarking on a couch-to-5K program or a marathoner serious about racking up finishers' medals, it's critical you take great care of your feet.

"Running is an amazing form of cardiovascular exercise, but because it's a high-impact sport that involves repeated trauma to the feet, everyone from long-distance runners to casual joggers is at risk for developing painful and debilitating foot conditions," says Bryce A. Paschold, DPM, FACFAS, a board-certified foot and ankle surgeon and a Fellow Member of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS).

some of the more common foot issues associated with running so you can get proper before treatment activity you love, the foot and ankle surgeon members of following insights:

• Plantar Fasciitis: Plantar fasciitis is perhaps the most common complaint from runners. Presenting as heel pain, it's caused by

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FOREMAN

Dale B. Foreman, 68 of rural afternoon, September 2024, his at surrounded by his family.

School, Dale served in the survives. United State Army from 1976

weights, driving semi, riding and camping. He also loved his 4-wheeler and his horse, spending time with along with helping on the grandchildren. family farm.

Christian Church.

Poneto and children; Eric T. (Kristen) (Mark) Patch of Geneva, along 13 great-grandchildren. with 7 grandchildren and 6 also survived by a brother, brother, Robert "Bob" Jones. Dave (Kathy) Foreman of Fort Wayne Sherrie Indiana.

He is preceded in death by Bluffton, (Sept. 30, 2024) at the County. Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Pastor To help you identify signs of Jerrod Mounsey and Pastor Dan Eckelbarger officiating.

Visitation will be held from 2 the Shelter. P.M. to 8 P.M. on Sunday (Sept the 29, 2024) at the funeral home condition keeps you from the and for one hour prior to the service on Monday.

Burial will follow at Miller ACFAS are offering the Cemetery located in rural Southern Wells County, with military honors by the United States Army Honor Guard and American Legion Post #111 Honor Guard.

> Memorials may be made to charity of the Donor's Choice.

JONES

77, Melvin L. Jones, Poneto, Keystone, passed passed away on Thursday Thursday afternoon, Sept. 26, 26, 2024, at Markle Health & residence, Rehabilitation Center.

Mel was born in Battle Creek, He was born on June 19, Michigan, on Nov. 20, 1946, to 1956, in Muskegon, Michigan Robert "Bob" and Bertha to Thomas L. & Lucielle (Cobbum) Jones. He married (Holley) Foreman, Jr. After Patsy "Pat" Addington in attending Southern Wells High Bluffton on June 20, 1965; she

Mel graduated from Bluffton to 1978. He worked for High School and retired from Ormsby Trucking for many Franklin Electric in Bluffton years and retired in 2019 from after over 30 years of service. E/R, National Oil & Gas in He also farmed in southern Bluffton, where he worked for Wells County for many years. Mel loved the outdoors, Dale enjoyed hunting, lifting especially hunting, fishing,

In addition to his wife, Mel is On January 11, 1976, Dale survived by two sons, Chris and Susan L. Howell were (Tami) Jones and Mike Jones, married at the South Liberty both of Bluffton; a daughter, Connie (Matt) Mittlestedt of Survivors include his wife of Bluffton; four grandchildren, 48 years, Susan Foreman of Colten (Abby) Jones, Steven Mittlestedt. (Emily) Foreman of rural Stephanie (Ben) Eppard, and Liberty Center and Tricia Josh (Jessie) Jones; along with

Aside from his parents, Mel great-grandchildren. Dale is was preceded in death by a

Visitation will be Sunday, and a step-sister, Sept. 29, 2024, from 1:00 until Hicks of Portland, 4:00 p.m., at Goodwin – Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in followed his grandparents, Thomas & immediately by a memorial Opal Foreman, Sr., and parents, service at 4:00 p.m., officiated Thomas & Lucielle Foreman, Jr. by Rev. Larry Lane. Burial will Funeral Services will be held be held at a later date at at 10:30 A.M. on Monday Alberson Cemetery in Adams

> In honor of Mel's love for animals, memorial contributions may be made to the Wells County Friends of



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inflammation of the ligament also that holds up the arch. At the incorporate stretch the calf, wear sturdier strong. shoes and use arch supports. inflammatory foot and ankle surgeon, who might recommend custom conservative approach injections orthotics, physical therapy.

- foot. Overly flexible shoes are foot problem is suspected." often the cause, and padding, orthotics or injections are care or to find a foot and usually effective treatments.
- Tendonitis: Runners can be FootHealthFacts.org, sidelined with tendonitis if they ignore the warning signs the American College of Foot this overuse condition. and Ankle Surgeons. There are several forms of tendonitis that affect the Achilles and other areas, and all are treated with rest, icing, strengthening, stretching and anti-inflammatory

medications, and sometimes with orthotics and physical therapy. Because overzealous training is usually the cause, especially among beginners, it's important to ramp up mileage and speed gradually. A running coach can tailor your training plan to your current fitness level.

- Broken bones: Don't assume that because you're able to run, your foot is not fractured. Signs of a stress fracture can include pain, swelling, redness and possibly bruising. If a fracture is suspected, remember to practice RICE (Rest, Compression and Elevation). You should also see a foot and ankle surgeon for an X-ray and proper diagnosis. Remember that like with other overuse injuries, stress fractures are often brought on by trying to do too much too soon. A general rule of thumb is to increase mileage by no more than 10 percent week to week.
- Lisfranc injuries: One misstep can lead to a sprain, fracture or dislocation of the joint. Consider Lisfranc wearing a headlamp in low

lighting for surer footing. It is good idea а exercises first sign of heel pain, Dr. your regimen that will keep Paschold advises runners to ankles and feet mobile and

"While completing a In some cases, icing and anti- marathon or even longer medications, distance race may seem like such as ibuprofen, are helpful. the ultimate goal, it's wise for Should pain continue, visit a new runners to start with shorter races first. will and keep your feet in good shape so you're able to run pain-free • Neuromas: A neuroma is a for years to come," says Dr. pinched nerve between the Paschold. "And of course, it's toes that can cause pain, vital to listen to your body and numbness and a burning seek care from a foot and sensation in the ball of the ankle surgeon whenever a

> For more information on foot ankle surgeon near you, visit patient education website of

DIGITAL DECLUTTERING **TIPS** Your **FOR CONNECTED LIFE**

Nowadays (StatePoint) organizing your digital possessions, such as beloved photos and videos, and backing up important data, like school and business records, is just as important as keeping your physical surroundings orderly.

Why is backing up data so important? Because so many things can go wrong: from spilling water on your laptop to losing your phone experiencing a natural disaster. Plus, there's cybersecurity to think about -- a PC infected by malware is a common cause of data loss.

If you're like most people and have precious data you want to Ice, protect, a common rule of thumb for keeping important files from disappearing forever is the 3-2-1 rule:

- Have three total copies of vour data.
- Save copies on two different types of media or devices.
- Keep one backup copy offsite in case of disaster.

"Whether it's a senior thesis, your business plan or cherished family photos and videos, if it's important to you, back it up,' says Nitin Kachhwaha, director management, product Western Digital. "Having a practical 3-2-1 backup strategy in place is essential to providing peace of mind and preserving your files for the future."

If vou're looking for storage solutions to back up your data, one great option is the My Book desktop drive from WD, which designed is complement your life with massive space to store your files, ranging from 4TB to 22TB of capacity. An alternative option from the WD brand is the popular and portable My Passport Ultra hard drive that comes with storage up to 6TB, which is the world's highest capacity 2.5-inch drive. This is a great storage companion for an on-the-go those with lifestyle, equipped with password protection for an extra level of security. (Actual user capacity may be less depending on operating environment. Download and installation required. Terms and conditions apply. User account registration may be required.)

Both come with automatic backup software so you can maintain peace of knowing that you are helping keep your data safe. For more information and backup solution ideas, visit https://wd.com.

These days, decluttering doesn't just refer to nixing household clutter and cleaning out closets, it also includes organizing your digital life by helping to protect treasured and sensitive data.

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IDDF has specially ordered and commissioned the preparation of a musical jingle promoting the State of Indiana as a Work Made for Hire, as defined in 17 U.S. Code § 101. IDDF is and will be deemed the sole and exclusive author and owner of any work and all portions thereof submitted for consideration in the Jingle Contest ("Work") and shall retain all common law, statutory, and other rights therein, including copyright, whether registered or not.

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If Contestant's Work is select as the winning submission by IDDF, Contestant will be required to enter into an agreement with IDDF acknowledging the Work Made for Hire nature of the commission and to the extent any portion of the Work is not deemed Work Made for Hire under applicable law, assigning all right, title, and interest to and in the Work to IDDF. Release of the prize money shall be contingent upon Contestant's signing the Agreement with IDDF. Should Contestant decline to execute such an Agreement, IDDF shall be entitled to withdraw the winning offer and select a different

The Work must be an original work that has not been previously published or disclosed to third parties. The Work must be suitable for use in public-facing promotional and advertising works and cannot contain content that would be deemed libelous or defamatory. The Work must not infringe upon or violate the rights, including copyrights, of any person. The Work must be free and clear of all third party liens and encumbrances, and no consents, approvals, or authorizations shall be required to convey all right, title, and ownership of the Work to IDDF.

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