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Thought for the Week: You always pass failure on the way to success. Mickey Rooney



The Webbs

AT HERITAGE POINTE

The Webb Family will present a musical program "A Victorian Christmas" at Heritage Pointe – Applegate Chapel, December 10th at 2 p.m. The public is invited to attend at no charge.

The Webb's are celebrating more than 25 years of singing across America and different parts of the world. Their versatile musical style has afforded them opportunities to share their music at the National Presidential Prayer Breakfast activities in Washington, DC., The Bill Gaither "Homecoming" video series, for then years they participated in television and radio "Day of Discovery" broadcast, just to name a few.

The Webb's are a truly unique and inspirational experience for any audience. Plan now to attend this wonderful program.

TREATS FOR EVERYONE

The Huntington County Extension Homemakers are sponsoring their 7th Annual 'Holiday Cookie and Candy Sale' on Friday, Dec 11th at the Senior Center located on the 1st floor of the Courthouse Annex, 354 N Jefferson St. The sale begins at 10 AM and goes on till 3 PM. You get to pick the cookies and candy you want. Cookies are sold at \$3.00/doz and candy is \$3.50 a 1/2 lb. Come check out the decorated cookies and save time by picking up your holiday treats for upcoming Christmas Parties. Proceeds will go to help community.

Extension Homemakers is a nonprofit group whose purpose is to reach out to all segments of society in an effort to nurture families and homes across the state with compassion and without prejudice.

We teach basic life skills and develop partnerships with other groups and organizations.

CANTATA PLANNED

sold at \$3.00/doz and candy is \$3.50 a 1/2 lb. Come check out the decorated cookies and save time by picking up your holiday treats for upcoming Christmas Parties. Proceeds will go to help with programs to educate and help those in our local community.

The Van Buren United Methodist Church choir will be having a Christmas cantata "Start at the Manger" on Sunday December 13th at 6pm at the church at 208 S.2nd St in Van Buren there will be refreshments to follow in the fellowship hall. Everyone is invited and we hope to see you there.

SANTA IN TOWN

Santa Claus will be at the Van Buren Office of MarkleBank on Saturday, December 12 from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

CANTATA AT HERITAGE POINTE

The Solid Rock United Methodist choir members will be presenting the cantata, "Rise Up! A New Light A-Comin'" at the Heritage Pointe Chapel on Sunday, December 13 at 2:00 p.m. Lois Walter will be accompanying the choir on the piano.

There will be youth participating in the program. "Children, go where I send thee." That powerful call—that sending out of a people to share the Christmas story—is the inspiration and the ultimate message of this stirring telling of the gospel story. The narrative is filled with inspired scenes highlighting all those who were sent; prophets sent to prepare the way for the coming Messiah; angels sent to carry the news to Mary; Mary and Joseph sent to Bethlehem to humbly bear God's Son; shepherds sent to worship the Child in the manger; wise men sent from distant orient lands with precious gifts for the Child; and, finally, Christians sent into the world to proclaim the gospel message that a new light is

Please come, enjoy the music, support the choir members who have practiced faithfully so that God can be glorified by their singing.

JR LEADER MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet Thursday, December 10, 7-8:30 pm, at The Heritage of Huntington, 1180 W 500 N, Huntington. In addition to a business meeting and finalizing plans for "Adopt A Family" through Love, INC, the group will share some "holiday cheer" with the residents of The Heritage. Members are asked to bring hats & gloves to donate to a local charity as a part of the organization's community service outreach and are encouraged to wear red/green colors for the evening.

The group will also discuss participation at the Area XI 4-H Jr. Leader December Event on

Monday, December 28, 6:30-9:30 pm, at Crazy Pinz, Fort Wayne. Members need to register in advance for this activity which includes bowling, putt putt golf, game tokens and food. Transportation will be provided to and from this event. Reservations and payment of \$14.95 must be received no later than Friday, December 18 at the Extension office.

For more information about the Huntington County 4-H program, contact Linda Aldridge, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth, at the Purdue Extension – Huntington County office, located at 354 N Jefferson Street – Suite 202, Courthouse Annex, Huntington or calling 260-358-4826 or email laldridg@purdue.edu.

LLOYD TO SPEAK SUNDAY

Jim Lloyd, former minister of the Warren Church of Christ from 1980-84 will be the guest speaker at the church's 110th Anniversary celebration on Sunday, December 6th at 9:30 a.m. The church is calling it "Charter Sunday" to commemorate the 17 members who signed a charter to begin a church of Christ in Warren on December 3, 1899. Jim is Librarian at Cincinnati Christian University and is married to his wife



Jane. The day will also feature State Representative Phyllis Pond, who is a 68 year member of the church. There will be recognition of those who have had membership with the church for 50 years



plus. Bertha Turner is the oldest and longest member with 101 years of life and 92 years as a member of the church. The church is asking members to bring an "old fashioned basket" carry in meal to share with everyone at the noon hour. That evening Barry Jamison will bring a concert of music at 6:00 pm after a 5:00 pm lite meal. We would love to have any in the community come celebrate with us this coming Sunday. The church is located at 302 N. Wayne St. in historic downtown Warren.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

Notes from the Bargain Basement...Holiday Open House

We have been busy in the basement! Come join us this weekend (Friday and Saturday December 4 & 5 from 9 am-4pm) for a Holiday open house. Pete Sorg has been busy baking cookies for evervone and there will be coffee and hot chocolate to go with his scrumptious goodies. The old housewares room has been transformed to the "Christmas room" for the holidays. Nancy and Faye have worked like little elves to clean, paint and stock the room to overflowing with all kinds of decorations and gift ideas for Christmas. Hurry in for best selections and shop often as we will be restocking each day.

We hope you will enjoy the changes we've made. The pegboards I've wanted for the past year are finally up and filled with belts, hats, purses and ties. We have new shoe racks thanks to Wendell Summers and his carpentry skills. I owe a big thanks to Nancy Surfus, Faye McCarver, Angie Irwin, Wendell and his grandson's and my kids, Ben and Alissa for their hard work and cheerful attitudes these past few weeks as we have emptied, cleaned, built, painted, refreshed and restocked! (I told you it has been busy!) We still have the same inexpensive pricing and lots of new (used) merchandise thanks to the Warren community! Thanks for all the hanger donations. We should have enough now to last a good year. Plans are in the works for a drop off shed to be built this summer and someday we'll get our book nook fixed up (next years November project, I hope). We are still looking for volunteers, we especially need extra help on Saturdays, working with Nancy. I am so happy to welcome Faye McCarver who helps me out on Friday mornings. If you haven't met Faye yet, stop on by and listen to her delightful southern accent! She is new to Warren and comes to us from Tennessee via Texas and is married to James McCarver. She is lots of fun, full of great ideas (The Christmas Room) and we are lucky to have her with us.

Warren, thanks again for all your support. We are here because of you and for you as your proceeds support the Knight Bergman Center with their mission to provide a fun and safe place for our kids and us to gather. Each Saturday in the basement, we are reminded of that mission as we hear the thundering feet running up and down the gym floor above us! It is a joyful sound and we know we are blessed. Come share the spirit of the holidays with

Jan Weight

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Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship

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8294S 900W 35

Gary Riley, Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m.

BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.

CWF Ladies (3 Tue)6:00 p.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor

Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.

Sunday School 10:30a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199

Pastor - William Shelor

Youth Leaders - Heath & Kelly Jones

Worship9:30 a.m.

Sunday School10:40 a.m.

Adult Bible Study Sun 6:30p.m.

Youth Group Sun 6:30p.m.

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Sunday Service10:30 a.m.

Wednesday7:00 p.m.

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Dick Case, Pastor Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.

Wed - Circle of Friends

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VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 765/934-3321 Parsonage

Jeff Wass, Pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Adult Worship10:30 a.m. Children's Church 10:30a.m. Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m. Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

765-934-1431 Pastor Blake J. Neff

Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30a.m. Jr/Sr High FLOCK (Sun)...... 6:00 p.m. Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:00 p.m. UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 p.m. www.vanburenumc.org

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes -Secretaries

Shanna Fortney, Bible School Supt. Nathan Ratcliff, Youth Minister www.warrenchurchofchrist.org Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.

Sunday School10:45 a.m. Youth: K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm

WARREN 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.

Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life

Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m. WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren

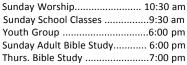
Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor Wesley Welch, Supt. Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Prayer Service..7:00p.m. www.warrenwesleyan.com

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN

765-934-3609 Pastor - Dan Metz



HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 375-2510

Rev Mark Davis Bus Service 375-2510 www.hillcrestnazchurch.org Sunday School9:30 a.m. Evening Worship......6:00 p.m. Youth Group (Wed.).....6:00 p.m. Wed. Midweek Service......6:30 p.m. SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST

227 N Main St, Warren, IN 375-3873 Kathy Newton, Pastor

Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m. Sunday School9:00 a.m. Thurs. Kings Kids6:30 p.m. Worship Service10:00 a.m. LANCASTER WESLEYAN 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

468-2411 Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.

CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH 694-6622

Pastor Dan Sommer Sunday School9:00 a.m. Fellowship 9:55a.m. Worship 10:15a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor Devin Cook

Morning Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. MCNATT UNITED METHODIST

375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt.

Coffee Fellowship......8:30 a.m. Worship9:15 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m. MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST 260/468-2148

Tony Johnson - Pastor

Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN

Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Worship10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.

PLUM TREE

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2691

Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Worship10:30 a.m.

Mid-Week (Wed)

(3yrs old - 5th grade) . 6:30-8p.m. Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m. Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor 1st Worship..... ...9:00 a.m. 2nd Worship......10:30 a.m.

HERITAGE POINTE Sunday Morning Worship9:30 a.m.

OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat Chapel Services9:00 a.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto

Steve Sutton, Pastor 765/728-2065 for more info Sunday Worship......10:30a.m. ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES 9019 E 300 S - Warren Indiana

Jim Graham, Pastor 260/494-6753 260/489-1456 260/375-4224

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

The Warren Town Council met at 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23. The meeting was held in Assembly Hall and was conducted by President Bill Cart-wright. All in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

A representative of Marion Services was in attendance. They dis-cussed recycling. Marion Services wants to increase rates by \$3.00 per customer. Council has not agreed to the rate increase yet. They plan to look into other options.

Council discussed the Comprehensive Financial Plan for 2010. The major project,

Council reappointed Brady Smekins and Alan Brinneman to

Ordinance 2009-9 was introduced. The Ordinance

A discussion was held concerning the purchase of a

A partial grant in the amount acceptance of the grant.

The regularly scheduled meeting for Dec. 28 has been changed to Dec. 22 at 4 p.m.

KBC BOARD NOTES

The Knight- Bergman Center Board met for their regular monthly meeting on Nov. 16, 2009. Those present were Rosemary Zeller, Denny Stroud, Sharon Gebhart, Bonnie Boxell, Ronald Boxell, Jerry Boyer, Bob Pond, Shelley Boxell and one guest. Members absent were Ned Trout, Janice Jordon, Mark Davis, Karen Herr, Gerald Moreland and Ronald Neff.

Minutes were read and accepted with one correction on the date of the Preservation Fund meeting. Bob Pond gave an update on the Preservation

Ron and Bonnie Boxell reported on the Boys and Girls Club of Huntington. This organization has a group of approximately 50 students that meet each week at the KBC.

Several other items of importance were discussed. These include a review of property lines, tree removal, and use of property by organizations.

Jerry reported lightening damage has been repaired on the chimney.

Rosemary reported on a meeting of the basketball coaches, referees and board members. This discussion included guide lines for the winter basketball season.

Bob gave a report on the Design Collaborators that have been making a study of the cost and upgrade of the heating system and the restrooms. This study will be completed in a short while and a full report will be given at that time.

AREA NEWS

Gerald Moreland has resigned from the KBC Board and the board accepted his resignation with thanks for his service. A motion was made to accept applications from community, from anyone interested in becoming a board member. Applications must include name of interested candidate, address and phone number. It should include a short summary as to why they would like to be a Board member. Applications can be sent to Knight-Bergman Center Application Committee P0 Box 574 Warren, IN 46792.

The meeting closed with a few items on hold, and most of the new business was directed at discussion of several repair/ maintenance items that need attention in the future. This includes closures on several doors and hardware cloth on roof vents. Most of this maintenance is done by board members, but sometimes it is necessary to hire the work done.

Meeting was adjourned, with the next meeting planned for Dec. 21, 2009.

GRANTS FOR ARTISTS

The Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) announced today it will host a regional grant workshop for artists interested in applying for a grant through the Individual Artist Program.

The free workshop will be held from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (EST) Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at Allen County Public Library, 900 Library Plaza, Fort Wayne, IN, and is open to artists from the IAC's Region 3 (Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, LaGrange, Miami, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley counties).

Artists interested in attending the workshop and learning more about the Individual Artist

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Program and the grant application process, should contact Jan Shupert-Arick at 260-424-0646, to register for workshop. Special accommodations such as sign langue interpretation must be requested at least five business days prior to the workshop date.

For more information about the Individual Artist Program, www.IN.gov/arts/ 2620.htm or contact Kristina Davis at 317-232-1279.

On behalf of the people of Indiana, the Indiana Arts Commission advocates engagement with the arts to enrich the quality of individual and community life.

BE A STATEHOUSE PAGE

Sen. Gary Dillon (R-Columbia City) today invited area middle and high school students to make the Indiana Statehouse their "classroom for a day" by serving as Senate pages during the 2010 Indiana General Assembly.

During the legislative session,

pages spend one day at the Statehouse working with their senator and Senate staff. According to Dillon, student pages start the day in orientation before touring the historic Statehouse. Throughout the day, pages spend time in the Senate Chamber observing the introduction of bills, listening to debates and delivering important messages among senators and staff.

"Indiana's legislative process is perhaps best understood through observation and participation," Dillon said. "Through this valuable program, students interact firsthand with legislators and meet other students from across Indiana. It's an experience that brings state government to life."

Interested students should submit page requests in a letter or e-mail. The student's name as it would appear on a certificate - address, home telephone number, age and school affiliation should be included with the request.

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FINAL WEEKEND

Back Row (L-R) Leslie Witkamp and Chase Adams Middle Row (L-R) Noelle Turney, Nick Stucky, Hixon Turney and Erica Ashley Front Row (L-R) Julie Turney and Janet Ashley

The final three performances of the Pulse Opera House production of "It's a Wonderful Life" are on December 3, 4 & 5 at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$5 for children 12 and under. There is a \$2 discount off adult tickets with a donation of non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry. (Not good with any other promotion. One item per ticket.) Online reservations at www.pulseoperahouse.org or call (260) 375-7017.



COUNCIL NOTES

Council plans to meet with the director of Huntington County Solid Waste to discuss recycling bins.

repaving, has already been bid.

the Waren Board of Zoning.

concerns changes in regard to fees charged. This Ordinance was submitted by Huntington County-wide Department of Community Development.

used fire truck from Markle. The truck being considered is a 1994 truck to replace the 1963 backup truck. Cost of the vehicle is \$45,000, to be split by the town and township.

of \$3,000 has been received from LACE. The grant is for a camera system for the police vehicle. The town's share will be \$1,025. Council approved

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 onetime \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is cancelled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Dec 2 Warren Recycle Day Dec 3 Dec 3-5 Pulse Opera House - It's a Wonderful Life Chamber of Commerce luncheon, noon, Assembly Hall Dec 7 Holiday Cookie & Candy Sale, Senior Center, Huntington, 10-3 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Dec 14 Dec 16 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. **Dec 17** Warren Recycle Day Knight Bergman Center Board Mtg, 5:30 at KBC Dec 21 Warren Town Council, 4 p.m., Assembly Hall Dec 22 Dec 25 **Christmas** Dec 31 Warren Reycle Day

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 5:00pm at KBC or by appointment -Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South

AREA NEWS CONTINUED

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Friends wanting to page on the same day should send requests together. Specific date requests will be considered, but may not be possible. The Senate's page office will confirm the scheduled date after processing incoming requests.

This will be a short session of the legislature – running from Tuesday, Jan. 5 to Sunday, March 14 – so days to serve as a page will be limited. Students are urged to send their requests as soon as possible. To be a page for Sen. Dillon, e-mail requests to Senator. Dillon@iga.in.gov or send by U.S. Mail to: Sen. Gary Dillon, Indiana Senate, 200 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Participating as a page is an excused absence from school. Pages must arrive at the Statehouse by 8:30 a.m. Parents are responsible for transportation and student pages are responsible for their own lunches, which can be economically priced at the Government Center Cafeteria, Circle Centre Mall or one of the many downtown restaurants. For additional information, call

SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP

1-800-382-9467.

A workshop to assist 4-H members in completing a variety of state 4-H scholarship applications will be held on Monday, December 14, 6:00-8:00 pm. It will cover an overview of 4-H scholarships available at the state and local level and some of the detailed worksheets for youth to use in completing applications. Youth planning to attend this workshop must contact the County Extension Office no later than Thursday, December 10 by 4:00 pm to ensure sufficient handouts are available for participants.

For more information about serving as a volunteer in the Huntington County 4-H program, contact Linda Aldridge, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth, at the Purdue Extension – Huntington County office, located at 354 N Jefferson Street – Suite 202, Courthouse Annex, Huntington or calling 260-358-4826 or email laldridg@purdue.edu.

Donate Blood!The Life you save may be your own.

AYTOWN and Yours BY DENNIS STROUD

One of Warren's personalities for many years was Clifford "Dusty" Souers. He washed just about all of the windows on Warren's main business street. He was paid twenty-five cents to one dollar, depending on the generosity of the merchants. For most merchants he rolled up and down the store awnings [most of the stores in Warren had canvas awnings]. He was always on the front row of Warren's ballgames, cheering on our boys.

Dusty was, perhaps, one of the best shoe shiners anywhere. He would brush the liquid polish on and then apply the wax polish with his bare hands. He would brush down the wax polish and then use felt cloths to put on the finished shine, making the cloth snap as he gave the last rub to the heel [his trademark]. Lastly, he would use a tooth brush and darken the edge of the sole ... a true professional.

Dusty held the world's gum chewing championship, at least in Warren. He chewed 141 sticks of gum, in his mouth, at one time, in three and one half hours. The gumball was about three inch in diameter. Try chewing on that. He was very proud of his record. Dusty Souers was a Warren institution for many, many years.

NERO BLOOM AT HU

Mystery! Suspense! Adventure! The student film "Nero Bloom: Private Eye" will return to the Huntington University campus for a free screening and DVD release party on Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in Zurcher Auditorium.

After touring the film festival circuit over the last several months, "Nero Bloom" has brought director/producer Jason Eberly and writer/producer Nathan Hartman such acclaim as the "Best Student Feature" award at Cinema City Film Festival in Los Angeles and the "Chris Award" (the highest award given to a film production) from the Columbus International Film Festival.

"Since the Cinema Center premiere, 'Nero Bloom' has had great success in the festival circuit, Eberly said, "so I am so excited for the film to come fullcircle back to Huntington for the DVD release!"

Called "nothing short of astonishing" by Steve Penhollow of the Journal Gazette, the film tells the story of Nero Bloom, a young 1940s gumshoe, who is hired to tail a suspicious down-and-out gambler. But, when the gambler winds up dead in a hotel elevator, the game is on and Nero is a suspect. With action, suspense and seduction, Nero must travel a labyrinth of clues to reach one twisted ending.

"I'm truly honored that Huntington University chose 'Nero Bloom' for DVD duplication," Eberly said. "I was blessed with a cast and crew of over 80 volunteers, and to be able to have hard copies available for them to cherish is priceless."

The 45-minute film has several Fort Wayne area connections. Jason Eberly, the director and producer of "Nero Bloom," is a Fort Wayne native. Bethany Edlund, a Huntington University junior who plays "Veronica St. Claire," hails from Roanoke, Ind. Dana Christy Minnick ("Barbara Lomax") and Darren Turney ("Brute") both reside in Fort Wayne. Dr. Lance Clark, $Huntington\,University\,associate$ professor of communication and executive producer of the film, is also a Fort Wayne resident. Screen writer and producer Nathan Hartman is from nearby Berne, Ind.

DVD's of the film will be available for \$10 after the screening. For more information on the film, visit www.nerobloom.com.

OPEN **H**OUSE

Ring in the holidays in a "natural" manner at the Salamonie Interpretive Center Open House, Dec. 12, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Visit with Santa, listen to holiday music, converse with fellow nature lovers and enjoy complimentary refreshments. If you want, bring a gift for the interpretive center wildlife, and the birds and squirrels who visit the wildlife viewing area.

"We have a wonderful time each year. Volunteers from our Salamonie seniors and bird watching groups donate holiday treats for visitors to enjoy while listening to holiday music in the fully decorated interpretive center," said Marvin McNew,

director of Upper Wabash Interpretive Services.

Salamonie Interpretive Center features exhibits, floor-to-ceiling windows for wildlife viewing, and staff to answer nature-related questions. It's open daily from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The center is located in Lost Bridge West Recreation Area on Highway 105 in western Huntington County.

Visit www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis for more information about the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services.

WINNING OR LOSING

Noel M. Tichy, a worldwide business leadership consultant who worked for Jack Welch at GM, states in his book, The Leadership Engine (1997), "winning companies win because they have good leaders who nurture the development of other leaders at all levels of the organization. The ultimate test of success for an organization is not whether it can win today but whether it can keep winning tomorrow and the day after. Therefore, the ultimate test for a leader is not whether he or she makes smart decisions and takes decisive action, but whether he or she teaches other to be leaders and builds an organization that can sustain its success even when he or she is not around. The key ability of winning organizations and winning leaders is creating leaders." (p. 3)

This month's Leadership Luncheon on this Thursday, December 3, will focus on helping business, community and church leaders to learn how to create leaders in their organizations.

Luther Whitfield, the Director of Primetime Community Center in Ft. Wayne, Senior Pastor at New Covenant Worship Center, an Associate Pastor of The Chapel, and the National Community Ministries Consultant for Youth For Christ, U.S.A. will be the speaker.

Mr. Whitefield will present practical principles on how team leaders can create leaders from within their company. One of the key characteristics of strong, growing businesses is their ability to mentor people into leaders! Participants will learn simple strategies to grow leaders on their team.

The Leadership Luncheons are sponsored by the Wabash Friends Counseling Center and held at the Wabash Friends Church from noon to 1:00 pm.

This workshop will be very relevant to not only managers, Vice Presidents, and CEOs, but to every employee. Scott Makin, Director of the Wabash Friends Counseling Center stated: "This just isn't for the top leaders in the organization. As a member of any team or department at work, you will learn ways that you can approach your leaders to be mentored."

Participants are also given a packet of other leadership resources. Participants will receive a book review of one of the hottest leadership books on the market; a leadership website, an article for leaders and leadership quotes.

There is also a leadership resource table that includes the top 15 leadership books (available to purchase), a list of

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leadership websites; past leadership book reviews, past inspirational leadership quotes, and a bibliography of leadership and personal development books.

These luncheons began in March of 2007 and have been attended by 641 different community leaders from 151 different businesses and organizations. Anywhere from 60 to 130 will be present at a given luncheon.

"We are getting more and more businesses who are using this as an easy and economical way to do quality leadership training for their organization," said Makin. "With the downturn in our economy, it saves them a lot of money while keeping their people trained in skills that will help them improve the bottom line."

The feedback for these workshops has been very positive. One participant said, "This luncheon was very inspirational." Others commented, "I couldn't believe how fast the hour went." "The best thing was the easy access, good use of time doing training over lunch, and the presentation was very practical." "The relaxed atmosphere." "I like brief training, it was quick and to the point." I enjoyed learning a new skill and networking with new people." "It was a perfect forum - easy to get in and out, started and ended on time, organized, and an excellent topic." "The community experience of being with other leaders gives me a lot of moral support." "I love the food."

To register for this workshop

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ww.wabashfriends visit counseling.com, or contact the Wabash Friends Counseling Center at 877.350.1658 or scott@wabashfriends.org . Walk in registrations are also accepted the day of the workshop.

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The Holiday season is a time when people give thanks and look for ways to help their community and neighbors in need. The car you no longer need will help the environment, the community and your wallet when you donate it to charity. Cars4Charities will gladly handle the entire car donation process for you, have your car picked up fast and free and send the proceeds to the charity you select from their extensive list. Their list of charities not only includes National ones such as Children International, Freedom From Hunger, Prevent Cancer Foundation, Autism Speaks, Diabetes Research Institute Foundation, Breast Cancer Research Foundation, National Association for Down

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HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The Huntington University Concert Choir and Orchestra will join the Community Festival Chorus to present the 55th annual Huntington performance of Handel's

The performance will be Sunday, December 6 at 7:30 PM at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Huntington.

Vocal soloists will include **Huntington University junior** Sarah Yanovitch, soprano; senior Jessica Bauman, alto; and senior Matthias Austin, tenor. David Moan of North Manchester, Ind., will be the baritone soloist.

Dr. George W. Killian and Mr. Drew Wutke will be the conductors for performance.

The public is invited and there is no admission charge. For further information, contact the University Huntington Department of Music at 260-359-4262.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Huntington University's Department of Music will present "A Family Christmas" on December 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Zurcher Auditorium, located in the Merillat Centre for the Arts. Come and enjoy an evening of Christmas classics for the whole family. This kid-friendly event will feature a surprise visitor who will lead the audience in a sing-a-long that will be fun for all ages.

The concert will include performances by Huntington University's Wind Ensemble, directed by Dr. Robert Lynn; the Women's Chorale, directed by Mrs. Joni Killian; the Handbell Choir, directed by Mrs. Darlene Burkett, and the Brass Ensemble directed by Dr. Robert Lynn.

Tickets are available through the Merillat Centre for the Arts Box Office, 260-359-4261. General admission tickets are priced at \$5, or \$3 for students, seniors, and HU faculty and staff.

For further information, contact the Huntington University Department of Music at 260-359-4262.

BLOOD DRIVES

Area residents can give at least three meaningful gifts this holiday season without visiting stores, browsing catalogs, or shopping on-line.

By donating blood through the American Red Cross in the next few weeks, community members can help save the lives of up to three people, and help offset the slump in blood collections that typically occurs around the winter holidays.

"The season of giving starts from within," said Sharyn Whitman, CEO for the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "We're hopeful the holidays will inspire people to give the gift of life and help hospital patients who depend on steady, consistent blood collections year-round."

Blood donations can taper off between Thanksgiving and New Year's when people are busy

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GENEALOGY

ERVIN

Carrie Lynn Ervin, 20, of Warren, IN, died on Thursday, November 26, 2009 at Blackford



Community Hospital Emergency Room in Hartford City, IN.

She was born on Thursday, September 28, 1989, in Muncie, IN. She was the daughter of David D. Ervin of Warren, IN and Glenna R. (Snyder) Ervin. of Anchorage, Alaska.

 $Miss\,Ervin\,was\,a\,2008\,graduate$ of Blackford High School and a 2007 graduate of CHT Institute for Hair in Marion. She was employed at the Smart Style Salon in Bluffton and the Huggy Bear in Warren. She enjoyed music, writing poems, photography, fishing and riding 4-wheelers. She had resided in Warren for the past year and had formerly lived Montpelier. She had formerly attended the First Baptist Church in Montpelier.

Survivors include her parents, paternal grandmother Mary Ervin of Bluffton, Ind., grandmother Betty Frazier of Anderson, Ind. and several Aunts, Uncles and Cousins.

She was preceded in death by her Paternal Grandfather-John Ervin, Maternal Grandparents-Glenn and Mary Snyder and her Brother-Justin Michael Ervin.

Services were held at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 West Windsor Street, Montpelier, Ind., with Todd Tester officiating. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery in Montpelier, Ind.

Memorials to: Out of the Darkness In Memory of Justin Ervin.



LIVE NATIVITY

A live nativity of the birth of Christ will be on display Friday, December 11 and Saturday, December 12 from 6-8:00 pm in historic downtown Warren at the Church of Christ on 3rd and Wayne Sts. The display will be held in their church parking lot and you either drive by or stop and view it up close. The church will also being having hot chocolate and cookies for your fellowship enjoyment. WCC has been doing this live nativity for over 25 years and hope you will come by and witness the greatest story ever told. Merry Christmas!

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with shopping, planning festivities or gatherings, community and family activities, or travel. Conversely, blood needs can increase as people injured in seasonal roadway accidents may require emergency transfusions. Regardless of the time of year, the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross needs about 500 people to come to donate blood every day to ensure an adequate supply of blood for patients in area hospitals.

"Your donation can take on extra meaning this time of year," said Whitman. "What other gift can you give in about an hour that can help save someone's life?"

UPCOMING AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES IN YOUR AREA:

Wednesday, Dec. 16, from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, located at 641 N. Main St. in Roanoke.

Monday, Dec. 21, from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Evangelical United Methodist Church, located at 1000 Flaxmill Road in Huntington.

Monday, Dec. 28, from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Church of Christ, located at 455 E. Morse St. in Markle.

How to Donate Blood - To schedule an appointment to donate please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) or visit IndianaOhioRedCross.org for more information. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental permission in some states), meet weight and height requirements (110 pounds or more, depending on their height) and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. Please bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive ID when you come to donate.

TURKEY **T**ROT

The fifth annual Turkey Trot 5K run and Family Fun Walk took place Thanksgiving morning at McDonald's in Huntington. The event had 334 participants in the run, and 53 participants in the fun walk, and raised over \$5,500 for the Pathfinder Kids Kampus Scholarship fund.

Ronald McDonald started runners out at 8:00 AM at McDonalds on 60 Home Street in Huntington, and the runners ran past Pathfinder Kids Kampus childcare center, through Huntington University, turned around at Parkview Huntington Hospital, and returned to McDonald's. The staff of McDonald's provided all participants and volunteers with breakfast after the race and walk. Over 25 people volunteered their time for this event.

\$100 Cash prizes were awarded by McDonalds to the overall male and overall female winners of the race, and \$50 to each age division winners both male and female to those that were able to accept them. Trophies, provided by Custom Craft were awarded to the top three finishers in each age group. The age groups were: Men and Women Master's Division, 55 and older, Men and Women 35-54, Men and Women 16-34, and Men and Women 15 and under.

The overall male winner of the race was Nicholas Johnson with a time of 15:40, and the overall female winner of the race was Lauren Johnson with a time of 18:50. Placing second overall was Elias Rojas with a time of 15:51, and placing third with a time of 16:10 was Chuck Wysong. Placing first in the fifteen and under Female division was Samantha Roush with a time of 20:58. Placing first in the fifteen and under Male division was Jeff Wysong with a time of 16:23.

Placing first in the Women's 16-34 division was Karen Killian with a time of 19:58, Placing first in the Men's 16-34 division was Elias Rojas with a time of 15:51. Placing first in the Women's 35-54 division was Carrie Boxell with a time of 23:08, Placing first in the Men's 35-54 division was Brian Shepherd with a time of 17:03.

Placing first in the Women's Master's division was Betty Nelson with a time of 24:12. Placing first in the Male's Master's division was Neil Tate with a time of 21:35. All proceeds from the event went to benefit the Kids Kampus Early Childhood Education Scholarship Fund. A complete listing of all race results can be found at www.kidskampus.org.



GRATITUDE IS A STATE OF BEING

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley Here we are, we have just finished celebrating our Thanksgiving Day. The pilgrims had our first thanksgiving. They had three days of festivities. We do one big day and then we start shopping! We can't wait to jump right to the next holiday. Well I don't know about you but holidays seem to be coming much faster these days! I don't think our clocks are moving any quicker.

I heard the other day that one of our largest retailers was already thinking about Valentine's Day. Give me a break! I am all for planning but this is just a bit too much for me!

Now don't start fussing at me. I know we started preparing for the holidays back in October. Our goal was to ready for December 25th by December 1st. Many of us have accomplished just what we set out to do! We named our preparations "Cruising Through the Holidays" because on December 1st we were going to relax and have some fun! Isn't it a nice feeling to know that there is nothing that really needs to be done! OH You don't have that feeling? There is hope! We start our Super Cruising Mission this next week! You can still have some fun while you jump in and get started!

We are too busy thinking about the future to enjoy today! How sad is that! Some of us are sad thinking about holiday's in the past to enjoy today. I still want to savor the feeling of Thanksgiving! You know Thanksgiving doesn't have to be just one day a year! Thanksgiving is not really a holiday it is a state of being! Being grateful for what we have keeps us from continually looking outside of ourselves to fill an empty hole. This means shopping has a whole new meaning.

We no longer have to shop for things we don't really need! We go in a store with a list! We know what we are looking for! We are not combing the aisles of the store in search of that elusive item that is going to change our lives. We have already found it; it is in our hearts and souls. The elusive item is being thankful!

Being grateful also helps you

to find the silver lining in a bad situation. This relieves the stress of tough events. The holidays can be a hard time for many of us. We may find ourselves being criticized in sarcastic ways or that criticism could be in the form of rolled eyes and awkward glances. Then there is the imagined critic that is in your head! Be thankful! I know you can find something to be grateful for!

Some of you are separated from family and missing them terribly! You are remembering holidays of the past and not making the most of the present because you are feeling sorry for yourself. That is not being thankful for what you have! You can make the most of what you have by being grateful for where you are and who you are with right now. Being thankful is your gift for living in the present! You can establish new memories and create your very own traditions! Finally Loving Yourself is all about being thankful for you and what you have!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Fireside. Copyright 2007 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

Do You Have a Problem? Do You Have a Plan?

by V Neil Wyrick

"We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them." (Albert Einstein)

When looking for a solution it is always a good idea to shake hands with common sense while considering that the way we are looking at a problem may well be the problem.

Then give the dilemma a rating somewhere between one to ten. It is amazing how much time and worry people spend over quandries that aren't worth it. So you put on the wrong tie this morning by mistake, live with it...most people never noticed. So someone else in the office is wearing the same dress you are wearing and both of you now know where you shop; the bargain basement. It is hardly a world crisis.

When a problem is truly gigantic or coming close, now is the time to start putting some rules in place. Otherwise, cool it!

If it really is a first class problem...First write down all the options for solving it. It will help you to cull our solutions that aren't worthy of you and focus in on solutions that have a chance at working. It will also

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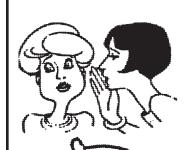
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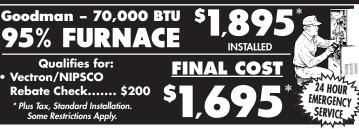
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keep you from being paralyzed in your decision making and end up doing nothing or waiting so long it is too late to do anything.

Now ask yourself what you have done in the past with other similar problems that have worked or haven't worked at all. You don't want to keep repeating old mistakes when dealing with a similar situation. Even if a solution has worked it doesn't mean you should not think about how you can improve your approach this time. Time is a teacher so benefit from it.

And never say never.! And never immediately come to a conclusion that the idea you just had is crazy. It may be but study it awhile. The implausible may take a little longer and require a bit more effort but it may also be worth looking into.

If you come up with more than one solution and can't decide which one is the best, prioritize until you work through the list...unless...or until you decide it is all going to take more time or money than you have available or are willing to expend. Sometimes the best solution is doing nothing.

That's right, ask yourself if it is really worth the effort you are putting out or would it be better to simply forget it and move on.





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TRUE HOLIDAY SPIRIT

by Bryan Golden

Among other things, the holidays are a time of giving and receiving gifts. The question most often asked of people is, "what did you get?" Much less frequently asked is, "what did you give?" Invariably, the inquiries concern material gifts. Purchasing a gift can certainly be thoughtful and a wonderful gesture, especially when ifs backed up by your actions.

However, the most valuable presents are those that aren't sold in stores. When you give your love, your time, help someone in need, aid another in solving a problem or overcoming an obstacle, you give something priceless.

The true spirit of the holidays is giving. When you give, you receive. You can get anything in life you want by helping enough others get what they want. But only if you give without expecting anything in return. The impact of giving isn't limited to just the holiday season, ifs something that has value all year.

The power of giving is often underestimated. When you give unconditionally, you don't just impact the recipient, you start a chain reaction. By brightening the life of one person you also affect all those who they then touch

No gesture of giving or kindness is too small. Holding the door open at a store, helping someone carry groceries to their car, letting another car in front of you, saying please and thank you, and saying hello to a stranger you pass on the sidewalk, are some of the many things you can do daily.

For family and friends, your time is one of the most precious gifts you can offer. Are you there for others when they need you? Do you offer a hand without being asked? Do you help out when asked?

Too often, people get caught up in their own desires, thus losing sight of the needs of others. A person who tries to get through life by looking out for him or herself first is invariably frustrated. Often this person views life as a competition to determine who can accumulate more.

On the other hand, those who are concerned for the well being of others are happier, more content, and more satisfied. By giving without expecting, they in turn receive the things they need.

Giving is a simple concept that works every time it is applied. There will be people who don't appreciate what you do, but it doesn't matter. You are giving without anticipating anything in return. Besides, there will be many more who are thankful for your efforts.

If you don't treat others well, buying a gift won't compensate for your behavior. The recipient might like what you give them but it won't make up for your actions. You can't bribe someone to forgive the way you treat them, with a present.

The best gift you can receive is the joy of making someone else happy. Being unselfish is a wonderful way to live. When you give with no ulterior motives, your actions are seen as genuine. Should you expect something in return, your behavior is always suspect. We all know people who do nice things only when they want something in return.

Make giving a daily routine. Don't start and end with the holiday season. Every day is a good day to do something nice. When people feel good due to your actions, you can't help but feel happy yourself. And that is priceless. The most significant action you can take is having a positive impact on the lives of others.

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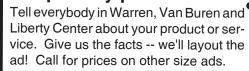
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