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Thought for the Week: Being a full-time mother is one of the highest salaried jobs... since the payment is pure love. Mildred B. Vermont

#### WARREN ALUMNI BANQUET

This Saturday May 10 the Warren High School Class of 1958 will be celebrating their 50th year since graduation. Pictured above are members of the class on their senior trip at the U.S. Capitol building in 1958.

First row: Joyce Howald, Mrs. John Beamer, Patsy Douglas, Rosemary Anders, Bennie Schlotter, Mary Esther Dalrymple, Karen Poling, Barbara Gilmer, Vera Campbell, Shirley Brown Oswalt, and U.S. Representative John Beamer.

2nd Row: Jim Howald – sponsor, Mrs. Edsal Mattax, Fred Aldred, Kay Kriegbaum, Judy Clements,

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Jones, Larry Ryan, Tom Dunwoody, Paul Craig, Larry Coolman, and Larry Luckey.

The banquet will be held at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center in Warren on May 10. The social hour will be at 5:30 followed by dinner and program at 6:30. All former students, teachers, and friends of the Warren School are welcome to attend. The classes of 1948 and 1958 will be recognized as honored classes. All graduates from 1938 and before will also be recognized. Make your reservations now if you would like to attend.

Reservations are \$10.00 per person and may be made by contacting Jim Howell at 260-375-3048 or email at <a href="mailto:howellj@citznet.com">howellj@citznet.com</a>.

#### Hoops For Hoke

What: A Staff vs. Student Basketball Game

When: Tuesday, May 13th at 6:00

Come and join us for a night of fun and excitement as our 8th grade girls and boys basketball players take on the staff of Salamonie School. All proceeds from the \$1.00 admission will be given to the American Cancer Society and a local family battling cancer. The concession stand will be open! Doors to the gym will be open at 5:30. Come early to get a good seat.

#### ANNIE JR RESCHEDULED

Due to the power outage last Friday, Annie jr. has been rescheduled for this Friday May 9th at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Students in the musical will need to report to make-up by 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$2 for grades 3-8 and children 2nd grade and under are free.

#### ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the W.A.R.R.E.N., Inc. (Knight-Bergman Center) will be held on Monday, May 19, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. at the center. All interested persons are free to attend. Election of Board members will be held at that time.



by Janice Jordan

I just sent the order in and what a surprise. This month (our 3rd Month) we have doubled out first numbers.

Today we ordered 181 regular units and a total of 324. That means that we will have more food to give out this month.

Remember that Delivery date is May 17th at the Warren Church of Christ. We are expecting the truck around 10:30 and we will start the distribution of food around 11:30 a.m. til 1:00 p.m. Keep in mind if you do not pick up your food, or make other arrangements with the Directors, your food can be and will be given to someone who needs it.

If you do not have food to pick up and you just want to come and watch, feel free to do so. We will give you a front row seat and you can just watch. It is exciting and fun to watch people of the surrounding communities coming together and sharing in this ministry. We have the very young (age 3) to the older folks (80+) they all have fun doing their jobs, and they keeping wanting to come back to help. Come and listen to the laughter and chatter as we all share in this great ministry.

#### BIRTHDAY WINNERS

The names have been drawn for the April birthday winners at the Warren Public Library. The winners are: Danny Jackson and Sydnee Jones. Remember to come to the library, check out some of the many wonderful books and enter the drawing during your birthday month. Everyone who enters receives a birthday bookmark and the winners receive a free pizza from East of Chicago Pizza and a book provided by the Friends of the Library.

#### **DENTAL SCREENINGS**

Free Dental Screenings for children entering kindergarten in the Fall, 2008.

Our office will be offering FREE dental screenings on April 4, June 19, and August 1.

This screening will include a dental exam, toothbrush, toothpaste, prizes, a healthy snack and information on dental health.

To schedule an appointment call 260-375-2626. Dr. Kevin Deakyne, 470 Bennett Dr., Suite A, Warren, IN

We look forward to meeting you and your child.

#### SENIOR EXPO

Parkview Huntington Hospital and Huntington Redi-Med will be offering FREE medical testing at their booths during the Huntington County Senior Expo. This is an important and valuable service for the seniors who visit the Expo. Last year this was very popular and the testing services were busy all day long. The testing that will be available will include blood pressure, bone density scans, kyphoplasty demonstration for the new

osteoporosis procedure and free colorectal screening kits.

This year there will again be FREE vouchers provided by Aging and In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana, Inc. for Chem 17 blood work to be done within two weeks after the Expo at Parkview Huntington Hospital. Chem 17 is a valuable blood test for seniors which covers numerous evaluations such as cholesterol, HDL, triglycerides, glucose, iron, and potassium to name a few. These vouchers will be available at the Event Management table just inside the entrance to the Huntington University Field House.

There are only 80 vouchers and they will be handed out on a first come-first serve basis beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Besides the FREE breakfast, lunch, snacks, entertainment, 50 door prizes, booth drawings and give-a-ways, the FREE medical testing is another reason to attend the Huntington County Senior Expo, The Expo is on Thursday, May 22th, 2008 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Huntington

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#### DALANEY'S DESTINY MAKERS TO HOLD FUNDRAISER

Please join us for a fundraiser benefiting the GREAT STRIDES WALK for Cystic Fibrosis research at East of Chicago Pizza. Friends and family of Dalaney Vickrey will be raising funds Tuesday May 13th from 5-8 pm to be donated to the walk to be held at Huntington University on May 18th. GREAT STRIDES is the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's annual walk that raises money to help support vital cystic fibrosis (CF) research and care programs.

CF is a life-threatening and often fatal genetic disease that affects the respiratory

and digestive systems of tens of thousands of children and young adults in the United States.

Dalaney is the 7 year old daughter of Warren residents Bret and Carin Vickrey and has cystic fibrosis. Dalaney's team will receive \$1.00 for every adult buffet sold and all tips earned from the night.



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# KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

#### THANK YOU SIGMA PHI

The Warren Public Library wishes to thank Sigma Phi Gamma for their generous donation to the Summer Reading Program. For twenty years, the Library has had a summer reading program, without spending tax dollars, through the generosity of Friends of the Library and such groups and individuals as Sigma Phi Gamma. This year's theme is "Catch the Reading Bug" and will begin June 2. Watch for more details. Thank you for your support, Sigma Phi Gamma!

#### AN EMAIL TIDBIT

This was received in an email and although I can't verify the truth of who said what - I think many of you will wholeheartedly agree with the contents.

#### Jay Leno on President Bush

As most of you know I am not a President Bush fan, nor have I ever been, but this is not about Bush, it is about us, as Americans, and it seems to hit the mark. 'The other day I was reading Newsweek magazine and came across some Poll data I found rather hard to believe. It must be true given the source, right?

The Newsweek poll alleges that 67 percent of Americans are unhappy with the direction the country is headed and 69 percent of the country is unhappy with the performance of the President. In essence 2/3 of the citizenry just ain't happy and want a change. So being the knuckle dragger I am, I started thinking, 'What are we so unhappy about?"

A. Is it that we have electricity and running water 24 hours a day, 7 Days a week?

B. Is our unhappiness the result of having air conditioning in the summer and heating in the winter?

C. Could it be that 95.4 percent of these unhappy folks have a job?

D. Maybe it is the ability to walk into a grocery store at any time and see more food in moments than Darfur has seen in the last year?

E. Maybe it is the ability to drive our cars and trucks from the Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean without having to present identification papers as we move through each state?

F. Or possibly the hundreds of clean and safe motels we would find along the way that can provide temporary shelter?

G. I guess having thousands of restaurants with varying cuisine from around the world is just not good enough either.

H. Or could it be that when we wreck our car, emergency workers show up and provide services to help all and even send a helicopter to take you to the hospital.

I. Perhaps you are one of the 70 percent of Americans who own a

J. You may be upset with knowing that in the unfortunate case of a fire, a group of trained firefighters will appear in moments and use top notch equipment to extinguish the flames, thus saving you, your tamily, and your belongings.

K. Or if, while at home watching one of your many flat screen TVs, a burglar or prowler intrudes, an officer equipped with a gun and a bullet-proof vest will come to defend you and your family against attack or loss.

L. This all in the backdrop of a neighborhood free of bombs or militias raping and pillaging the residents. Neighborhoods where 90% of teenagers own cell phones and computers.

M. How about the complete religious, social and political freedoms we enjoy that are the envy of everyone in the world?

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Thurs. Kings Kids ......6:30 p.m.

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

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

1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

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Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

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

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

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

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Dan Helm, Pastor

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

375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor

Lois Slusher, Supt. Coffee Fellowship......8:30 a.m. Worship ......9:15 a.m. Sunday School ......10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. ..... .. 7:00 p.m. MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST

260/468-2148 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

Trad. Worship ...... 9:00 a.m. 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726 Mdrn Worship ...... 10:30 a.m. Fellowship & Classes ....... 9:30 a.m. 1st Worship......9:00 a.m. Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies ...10:30 a.m. - all Sunday ...... 6:00 p.m. MOUNTETNA WESLEYAN

Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor

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

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WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Todd Winkler, Youth Minister Ruth Moreland, Secretary Shanna Fortney, Bible School Supt. Fellowship ......9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion ......9:30 a.m.

Sunday School ......10:45 a.m. Teen Youth (AOL) Sundays 6:00 p.m. 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 School ......9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship ......10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00p.m. **WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH** 

375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren Rev. Andy Trowbridge, Pastor Wesley Welch, Supt. Sunday School ......9:30 a.m.

Worship ......10:15 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service..7:00p.m. www.warrenwesleyan.com



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# AREA NEWS

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University Field House.

The Senior Expo is brought to you by the Huntington County Council on Aging and their Senior Expo Corporate Sponsors, along with numerous donations from the generous businesses and people of Huntington County.

This year's Corporate Sponsors are: Aging and In-Home Services of North East Indiana. Bailev-Love Mortuary, Beacon Credit Union, Duke Energy, Heritage Pointe and The Heritage of Huntington, Humana MarketPoint, Huntington Heating and Cooling, Inc., Markle Health and Rehabilitation/Coventry Meadows, Miller's Merry Manor, Myers Funeral Homes, Norwood Health and Rehabilitation, and SecureHorizons by United Healthcare. The Huntington Council on Aging thanks their Corporate Sponsors for their

generosity to this popular community event.

#### FUN WALK

A Fun Walk will be held at Salamonie School on May 8. 2008. The walk is in honor of Miss Holdcroft who taught P.E. at the school for 36 years. The day will begin with a plaque dedication at 8:45 am in the gym. Then all students and staff will walk an honorary lap of the track. Students can walk one lap or

Students can bring a piece of clothing for Forgotten Children International. A truck will be parked outside the gym for donations. For more information call Salamonie School at 375-3434.

Assembly Hall.

Minutes of the April 14 meeting

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison reported the Public Hearing on the 2008 budget was approved.

The Street Project was scheduled to begin that week. Town Clean-up days will be May

The communication tower at Town Hall was expected to be taken down.

During the remainder of the meeting with Greg Guerrettog it was determined the storm water will be set up by fall. A water rate increase will also be determined.

Chamber of Commerce Community Development group.



Fiction - Secrets by Jude Deveraux; Phantom Prey by J Sanford; The Friday Night Knitting Club by Jacobs; Fidelity by T Perry; Dawn's Light by Blackstock; Twenty Wishes by D Macomber; Sunday's at Tiffany's by J Patterson; The Body in the Gallery by Page; Dial M for

Non-fiction – The South Beach Diet Super Charged; Straight Talk About Cosmetic Surgery; Healing the New Childhood Epidemics.

Children's - Big Brother, Little Brother; Let's Go On a Mommy Date; Big Bad Bunny; Uh-Oh Cleo; Don't Bump the Grump! By Shel Silverstein; Read All About

#### THE PULSE OPERA HOUSE PRESENTS

The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild Dramatic Society's Production of Murder at Checkmate Manor

When the Farndale Avenue ladies take the stage, you don't want to tell them to "break a leg." They just might do it! The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townwomens Guild Dramatic Society's Production of Murder at Checkmate Manor is based on the premise that if it can go wrong, it will.

Popular in the U.K. and around the world, this play is rarely produced in the United States. It is British comedy at its best. What the Farndale ladies lack in talent, they make up in spirit. You just might find your spirits soaring as you watch their misadventures.

The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomens Guild Dramatic Society's Production of Murder at Checkmate Manor runs May 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17. The box office opens at 7:00 p.m. and is located in the lobby. Doors to the theatre open at 7:30 p.m. and the curtain is at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for general admission, \$5 for children 12 and under and \$10 per ticket for groups of 12 or more. Anyone who can recite the title of the show in one breath without looking will get \$1 off their ticket. Reservations may be made online at www.pulseoperahouse.org or by phone at (260) 375-7017.

PHOTO (L-R): Stacia Brinneman as Thelma and Steve Rodenberger as Gordon



#### COUNCIL NOTES

by Bonnie Lloyd

The Warren Town Council met at 4 p.m. Monday, April 28, in

President Bill Cartwright conducted the meeting which opened with the Pledge to the American Flag.

were approved as submitted.

Council later met with the

Newbooks received at the Warren Public Library include:

Mischief by K Michaels.

It by Laura and Jenna Bush; I'm

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area will be listed. Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. May 7 May 8 Warren Recycle Day May 10 Warren Alumni Banquet, contact Jim Howell 375-3048 May 11 MOTHER'S Day Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall May 12 May 13 KBC Board Meeting, 5:30 at KBC May 14 Chamber of Commerce Drawing, 6:30 at Lightning 5 Cafe (across from Dollar General) **May 17 ARMED FORCES DAY May 19** SSF Committee meeting, 6 p.m., Assembly Hall May 21 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. May 22 Warren Recycle Day May 26 **MEMORIAL DAY** May 26 Warren Town Council 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Warren Chamber of Commerce, Noon, Assembly Jun 4 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Jun 4 Jun 9 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall Jun 10 KBC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce Drawing, 6:30 p.m. at **Jun 11** MarkleBank

**FLAGDAY** Jun 14 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 Depression Support Group 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus

Warren Recycle Day

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# AREA NEWS CONTINUED

#### EARTH DAY STORIES

Twenty children and one adult were at the Van Buren Public Library After School Story Time on Friday April 25th, 2008 to celebrate Earth Day.

The children entered into the library signed in and received a picture to color. They glued the final piece to their attendance star. We had our attendance drawing and Savannah Hancock won the plastic apple and stickers. Congratulations Savannah.

Karen introduced our Special Guest Susan Eichorn from East Central Indiana Solid Waste

Karen read the book "Earth Day-Hooray" by Stuart J. Murphy. This story is about a drive to recycle cans on Earth Day and teaches the children of the Maple Street School Save-the- Planet Club about place value. This book can be found in the children's department of our library.

Susan had a special craft for the children to do. Recycling is Susan specialty. She gave each child a plastic water bottle. The children chose 10 different small items to put into their plastic water bottle. These items had to be written down on a sheet of paper. Susan then filled each bottle with birdseed. They had fun as they tried to find the small items within the birdseed and check the items off on their paper. Susan gave each child a plastic bird feeder tray that would fit the top of the water bottle. The children could take the lid off the water bottle. take the small items out, leave the birdseed in, screw the plastic tray on, turn the bottle upside down and have a neat birdfeeder. What a cleaverway to recycle a water bottle. The children could use it for a game then turn it into a birdfeeder. We want to Thank Susan for coming and sharing with the children.

Those attending were Olivia Petersen, Kaylee Morgan, Emilee Morgan, Nixon Smith, Jacob Clupper, Cathryne Anderson, Emily Webb, Micah Metger, Joey Keifer, Faith Wiggin, Lilly Stiles, Amanda Keifer, Kayla Handshoe, Christina Casto, Caitlin Imhoff, Caitlin Casto, Zach Handshoe, Jadlyn Griffith, Liam Hancock, Savannah Hancock and Trudy Hancock.

æmember on May 11th with a gift from PJ's Flower & Gifts Downtown Warren

Our Summer Reading Program will be "Catch the Reading Bug". The program will be held July 7th - July 31st. Come and see if YOU can catch the bug. Hope to see YOU!

#### HAPPY HATTERS

The Van Buren Happy Red Hatters met for lunch April 24 at the Pickle Lounge, Hartford City. In May some will be going to Marion Hostess House on the 9th. Regular May meeting will be on the 22nd at the Wild Wings Restaurant in Marion. Attendance prize was won by Irene Pickard. Those attending were Willadeane Harte, Lana Stuber, Irene Pickard, Mary Ellan Hawkins, Waneta Linton, Shirley Shinholt. Nancy Cook, Rosemary Hammons, Janet Hunnicutt, Helen Fincannon, Elissa Crothers, Lucille Endsley, Donna Zent, Sarah Hammit, Phyliss Harper, Paula Shepherd and Norma Briner.

#### Spring Brings ...

Warm weather season means Hoosiers will increase outdoor activities that may lead to encounters with disease-carrying ticks.

State health officials advise Hoosiers to take precautions when outdoors to avoid contact with ticks because they may carry Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Tularemia, or Ehrlichiosis.

"When outdoor temperatures rise, ticks become active," said James Howell, D.V.M., veterinary epidemiologist, Indiana State Department of Health. "Ticks, like mosquitoes, are carriers of a number of diseases. All ticks should be considered infectious and capable of transmitting diseases, even though most are not."

Last year, Indiana confirmed 55 cases of Lyme disease, five cases of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, two cases of Ehrlichiosis and one case of Tularemia.

"We know in order to become ill, an individual must be bitten by an infected tick through exposed skin," Dr. Howell said. "A little care can prevent that from happening.'

Health officials recommend if individuals plan to enter a grassy or wooded area where ticks are often present, the best way to prevent tick-transmitted diseases is to wear a long-sleeved shirt and light-colored pants, with the shirt tucked in at the waist and the pants tucked into socks. The use of repellents provides even more protection.

Insect repellents containing DEET or picaridin can be sprayed on both skin and clothing to repel ticks and other insects. People who expect to be exposed to tick habitat for extended periods of time should use products containing permethrin on their clothing. Permethrin is an insecticide that kills ticks and other insects on contact.

Dr. Howell recommends after leaving a grassy or wooded area, people should check for ticks on clothing and skin. He says ticks need to be attached from several hours to a couple of days before they can infect an individual.

"If a tick is attached to your skin, it can be removed with either tweezers or forceps by grasping the tick as close to the skin as possible," Dr. Howell said. "Ticks should not be removed with bare fingers, but if tweezers or forceps are not available, you can use tissue paper or a paper towel to prevent the passing of any possible infection."

Lyme disease is often associated with a persistent, slowly expanding blotchy red rash which is usually fainter at the center than at the edges. Other signs and symptoms include joint pain or swelling, especially in the knees; fatigue; difficulty in concentrating; headache; stiff neck or weakness of the facial muscles; dizziness; and an irregular heartbeat.

The symptoms of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Ehrlichiosis and Tularemia are similar. They include a moderateto-high fever, coupled with fatigue; muscle aches and pains; severe headaches; and chills. With Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever a rash may also develop shortly after disease onset, first appearing on the arms, legs, palms of the hand and soles of the feet before spreading to other parts of the body.

According to Dr. Howell, if these diseases are diagnosed promptly, all of them can be successfully treated with antibiotics.

#### **ECONOMIC STIMULUS**

More than 20 million Americans - many who are older adults or persons with disabilities - who do not have to file a tax return, must do so this year in order to receive their economic stimulus payment. The payments range from \$300 to \$600. If you file the 1040A form by October 15, 2008. you may qualify for a stimulus payment.

If you normally don't file a tax return, www.BenefitsCheckUp.org, the National Council on Aging's website. By answering a few quick questions, it will be easy for you to fill out the required IRS 1040A form and instructions for mailing

Unfortunately, where there is money, there are scam artists trying to get a piece of it, or potentially worse yet, use the opportunity to steal your identity. The Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging (IAAAA) wants to help older adults and persons with disabilities steer clear of the con artists and get the money you are eligible for.

The Big Tip-Offs to Scams According to Melissa Durr, CEO of the IAAAA, "The IRS is government agency responsible for administering the package. And, in doing so, there are some things the IRS will NEVER do. If anyone attempts these acts, refuse." • Calls you to ask for your Social Security number or

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# GENEALOGY REPORT

#### **W**ILLIAMS



Catherine Μ. Williams, 75, of Warren, died at 7:40 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, 2008, at her residence.

Born in Toledo, Ohio on May 5, 1932 to Brice and Millie (Whitaker) Shephard, she married Lee J. Williams in Silver Lake; he preceded her in death in June. 2002.

Mrs. Williams attended Silver Lake High School, and worked at Memcor in Huntington for 35 years, retiring in 1989. She then worked at Heritage Pointe in the dietary department for over 10 years.

Surviving relatives include four daughters, Linda (Don) Wilson, Carolyn (Ron) Ray and Loretta (Chris) Martin, all of Huntington, and Offie (Perry) Nelson of Warren; one brother, Belvard Shephard of Tennessee; four sisters, Elsie Patterson and Murtle Bonnough, both of Toledo, Ohio, Ruth Muck of Bellview, Ohio and Beth (Chuck) Patkus of Disco; 17 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Williams was also preceded in death by one son, Dudley L. Williams, two brothers, Lloyd and Charles Shephard, two sisters, Susan Johnson and Ethel Brown, and one grandchild.

Funeral services were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren with Pastor Ron Patrick officiating. Burial was at Gardens of Memory Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Alzheimer's Association in Fort Wayne.

#### DODD



Glenn A. Dodd, 56, of Van Buren, died Friday, May 2, 2008 in his home.

He was born April 1, 1952 in Marion to the late J.B. and Kathleen (Wilkes) Dodd. He married his wife, Debra

(Gear) Dodd October 14, 1972 in Marion. She survives.

He worked as an auto body mechanic for most of his life. Mr. Dodd was a veteran of the Vietnam war, serving in the US Navy. He loved to watch drag racing and NASCAR races, but the Indianapolis Colts was his true love. Mr. Dodd attended Marion High School and was a member of the RCA GE Thompson Sympathy Club.

Additional survivors include two daughters, Nikole Ashley, Van Buren, and Shelly (Brian) Bragg, Marion; sister Margaret (Phil) Jablonski, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; four grandsons, Drew and Matthew Ashley, Van Buren, and Dylan and Nicholas Bragg, Marion.

He was preceded in death by his brother, David Dodd.

Services were held in the Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., Van Buren, with Dr. Tom Mansbarger officiating. Burial followed in the Van Buren Cemetery with military



#### HENSLEY



Warren.

Joseph Warren Hensley, 91, died at 12:14 a.m. Saturday, May 3, 2008 at Heritage Pointe,

He married Nola "Helen" (Travis). She preceded him in death June 18, 1990.

He was born October 23, 1916 in Greeneville, TN., son of the late Franco and Ella (Hopson) Hensley and attended Greeneville Schools.

He was a veteran of WWII and a survivor of the Battle of the Bulge. He was in the Army serving Sept. 25, 1940 to June 30, 1945, with Company B 4th Engineers Battalion. He had been a local resident since 1948, moving from Greeneville, TN. He was a former member of the American Legion Post #10, Marion, AMVETS and VFW, Gas City.

He enjoyed upholstering furniture and had been employed with the patient care unit at the Indiana Northern Regional Veteran's Hospital, Marion, for over 25 years, before retiring in 1975.

Survivors include sons, Paul (Pam) Hensley, Upland, Joseph (Piper) Hensley, Liberty, TX, Leonard (Peggy) Hensley, Losantville; daughters, Wanda (Tom) Jones, Montpelier, Marilyn (Kevin) Lavanchy, Montpelier, Rosa (Clyde) Kaemmerer, Piqua, Ohio; 12 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Brent Hensley.

Services were held at Jones-Smith Funeral Home, Upland. Internment was in Gardens of Memory, Muncie.

Memorials may be made to Heritage Pointe, 801 Huntington Ave., Warren, IN, or Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana, 265 W. Water St., Berne, IN 46711.

#### **K**EESLING

Mary Catherine Keesling, 92, of Warren, died at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, 2008, at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Born in North Vernon on Dec. 18, 1915 to Earl L. and Evelyn Marie (Stroup) Keesling, she was a 1933 graduate of Anderson High School, and also graduated from Ball State University.

Miss Keesling was a teacher in the Marion school system for 39 years, retiring in 1977. She was a member of the Indiana Retired Teachers' Association.

Surviving relatives include one sister, Olive Eagan of Alhambra, Calif.; and nine nieces and nephews.

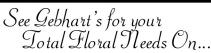
Miss Keesling was preceded in death by two brothers, James and Earl Keesling, and two sisters, Jean Bault and Dorothy Songer.

Funeral services were held at Heritage Pointe with the Rev. Herbert Edwards officiating. Calling hours were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren. Burial was at Anderson Park Memorial Cemetery, in Anderson.

Preferred memorials are to Heritage Pointe.



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bank account information. • Emails you to ask for Social Security or bank account information. • Sends a letter that tells you to respond by phone or email. • Comes to your home.

Durr reminds Hoosiers that the IRS NEVER calls or emails taxpayers asking for personal information! If they need to reach you, they will reach you by mail. The only way the IRS collects your bank account details is if you choose to put them in your tax return for direct deposit of refunds. You should NEVER pay a fee to get your payment. If you need help getting your payment, call the IRS Economic Stimulus Payment toll free number, 1-866-234-2942.

Be on the Lookout for Scams Scammers are creative, but their frauds tend to follow certain patterns. Durr says these are some common scams to beware of

With telephone scams, Durr says you can expect a call from someone pretending to work for the IRS. Or, in the case of email scams, you will receive an official-looking email with the IRS Logo and an @irs.gov address. In each instance, the scammers are after three things: your bank account and Social Security numbers and your credit card details so they can commit identity theft.

There are also the "We can help you scam" or "Reward for filing early" scams. These payment anticipation loans promise an inside track to assist in applying for or speeding up the economic stimulus payment, or they are offering to pay you a reward for filing your return. These scams are looking for hefty fees to give taxpayers "instant" access to their own money. You should never pay a fee to get your payment or to get it quicker. The scammers are seeking access to your finances and the information to steal your identity. What to Do if You Spot a Scam If you have caller ID, write down any information that appears when a supposed IRS representative calls, including the date and time



of the call and the number they called from. Report that information to the IRS or your attorney general. Forward any fraudulent emails to spam@uce.gov to assist the Federal Trade Commission in its investigations.

#### About IAAAA

The Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging, founded in 1978, advocates for quality programs and services for older adults and all persons with disabilities. The IAAAA works with all of the 16 Area Agencies on Aging. The Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) were created by state statute in 1973 to deliver services under the Older Americans Act. The AAA is a not-for-profit entity providing services to older adults and persons with disabilities of any age and their caregivers.

#### DUE MAY 15TH

4-H families are reminded that 4-H Livestock Enrollment Forms are due May 15th to their 4-H Leader or the County Extension Office.

This would include youth enrolled in Swine, Sheep, Poultry, Rabbit, Goat, Dairy, Dairy Feeder Steer Calf, Beef (late fall heifers), and Horse & Pony projects.

4-H members are to have their animals in possession by May 1st. Exceptions to this would be rabbit meat pens and some poultry exhibits which are not yet born or hatched.

#### Homeownership Workshop

Community Connections, the Housing Division of Pathfinder Services, Inc., will be offering two FREE "Home Ownership is Possible" Homebuyer Workshops. The workshop on Tuesday, May 13th will be held in the Crystal Roominthe Honeywell Center located at 275 West

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Market Street in Wabash at 6:30 P.M. On Wednesday, May 14th the workshop will take place at Community Connections' Huntington office, located at 1316 Flaxmill Road, across the street from Schenkel's Dairy in Huntington at 6:30 P.M. Both workshops and refreshments are free to everyone who attends, but registration is suggested.

Attendees of this FREE "Home Ownership is Possible" workshop will find out if they qualify for up to \$25,000 in Down Payment Assistance for a new home in Wabash, and information on what is available for families in Huntington County as well as 11 other counties throughout the State of Indiana.

Those in attendance will be registered for a chance to win a prize just for attending. Attendees will also receive information about receiving a free copy of their credit report, who to contact regarding credit issues, and basic questions that should be asked when applying for a mortgage and shopping for a home.

Community Connections will also be holding free open houses in the South Pointe subdivision, located next to Friends Church in Wabash from 1:00 until 4:00 on May 3rd, 4th, 10th, 17th, and 18th.

To register for these free workshops or for more information about the Open Houses, please contact Jeff Teusch from Community Connections at (260) 356-0521, (800) 310-9510 or via e-mail at jteusch@pathfinderservices.org. Community Connections is the Housing Division of Pathfinder Services Inc., a not for profit Human Services organization

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#### ROYALTY APPLICATIONS

Applications for the Huntington County 4-H Royalty Contest are available from 4-H club leaders or the County Extension Office. Entries will be accepted until Thursday, May 15 at 4:30 pm at the Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office. Youth must be current 4-H members and at least 16 years of age by August 15, 2008.

Participants in the Huntington County 4-H Royalty Contest will be involved in workshops during May & June to help prepare for the contest and to gain skills in interviewing, public speaking and modeling. Contestants also assist in promoting Huntington County 4-H by distributing 4-H Fair schedules during the Huntington Heritage Days Parade and the Salamonie Summer Festival Parade.

The public judging of the Huntington County 4-H Royalty Contest will take place on Friday evening, July 11 at the Huntington North High School auditorium. Participants are judged on a 3 minute speech, personal interview, business & formal wear, their 4-H record and an impromptu question.

For more information about the 4-H Royalty Contest, contact the Purdue Extension Office – Huntington County, County Annex Building, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington or call 260-358-4826 or email kdhinsha@purdue.edu.

# Competed in Boston Marathon

Leslie Dillon (pictured at right), daughter of Dale and Lisa Dillon of Fishers, IN and granddaughter of Dale and Carolyn Sparks of Warren, competed in the 2008 Boston Marathon. Dillon, currently a graduate student at the University of New Hampshire, is a Cross Country All- American from DePauw University. With only one other marathon under her belt, Dillon finished the 2008 Boston Marathon in a time of 3 hours, 10 minutes, and 9 seconds beating her only other time of 3 hours, 15 minutes.



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#### RABBIT WORKSHOP

A 4-H Rabbit Workshop will be held Tuesday, May 13, 7 – 8:30 PM at the Wells County Quonset Building, 4-H Park, Bluffton.

4-H Leaders and Jr. Leaders will be discussing proper feeding and preparation for the summer shows.

Opportunities to exhibit at the State Fair will also be explained. For more information, contact 4-HRabbit Superintendents, Troy & Kari Cale, 346-2341.

#### SPRINGTIME CELEBRATION

The Mississinewa Valley Band presents Springtime at the Phillippe on Tuesday, May 13, at 7:30 p.m. The showwill be held at the Phillippe Performing Arts Center on the Indiana Wesleyan University campus in Marion. Admission is free

This year's show features several talented musicians: Rebekah Sims is principle clarinetist in the Fort Wayne Youth Symphony and the Homestead High School Symphonic Orchestra; Wesley Ball is a junior at Indiana Wesleyan University and an accomplished saxophone player; Thomas Hall and Lisa Dawson are gifted vocalists

who will be singing selections from My Fair Lady; and Dr. Marc Wooldridge is a percussion professor at Indiana Wesleyan University and will be showcasing his creative percussion arrangements.

You can also expect an array of songs in the tradition of the Mississinewa Valley Band: marches, show tunes, ballads, and classics. And as always, the talented Mississinewa Valley Swing Band will perform a few selections of the Big Band and jazz variety.

The Mississinewa Valley Band is Grant County's community band and is headquartered in Marion, Indiana. It began in 2000, and is under the direction of John Brane. Members of the band vary in age and proficiency level and enjoy performing a variety of music for a number of different venues. The band's aim is to promote the arts  $by \, providing \, quality \, entertainment$ that is accessible to everyone; no admission fee is ever charged to attend performances. Share in this springtime celebration and experience for yourself the wide variety of talent Grant County has





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Maybe that is what has 67% of you folks unhappy. Fact is, we are the largest group of ungrateful, spoiled brats the world has ever seen. No wonder the world loves the U.S., yet has a great disdain for its citizens. They see us for what we are. The most blessed people in the world who do nothing but complain about what we don't have, and what we hate about the country instead of thanking the good Lord we live here.

I know, I know. What about the president who took us into war and has no plan to get us out? The president who has a measly 31 percent approval rating? Is this the same president who guided the nation in the dark days after 9/11? The president that cut taxes to bring an economy out of recession? Could this be the same guy who has been called every name in the book for succeeding in keeping all the spoiled ungrateful brats safe from terrorist attacks? The commander in chief of an all-volunteer army that is out there defending you and me?

Did you hear how bad the President is on the news or talk show? Did this news affect you so much, make you so unhappy you couldn't take a look around for yourself and see all the good things and be glad? Think about it.....are you upset at the President because he actually caused you personal pain OR is it because the 'Media' told you he was failing to kiss your sorry ungrateful behind every day. Make no mistake about it.

The troops in Iraq and Afghanistan have volunteered to serve, and in many cases may have died for your freedom. There is currently no draft in this country. They didn't have to go.

They are able to refuse to go and end up with either a "general" discharge, an 'other than honorable" discharge or, worst case scenario, a "dishonorable" discharge after a few days in the brig.

So why then the flat-out discontentment in the minds of 69 percent of Americans?

Say what you want but I blame it on the media. If it bleeds it leads and they specialize in bad news. Everybody will watch a car crash with blood and guts. How many will watch kids selling lemonade at the corner? The media knows this and media outlets are for-profit corporations. They offer what sells, and when criticized, try to defend their actions by 'justifying' them in one way or another. Just ask why they tried to allow a murderer like O.J. Simpson to write a book about how he didn't kill his wife, but if he did he would have done it this way.....Insane!

Turn off the TV, burn Newsweek, and use the New York Times for the bottom of your bird cage. Then start being grateful for all we have as country. There is exponentially more good than bad. We are among the most blessed people on Earth and should thank God several times a day, or at least be thankful and appreciative.' 'With hurricanes, tornados, fires out of control, mud slides, flooding, severe thunderstorms tearing up the country from one end to another, and with the threat of bird flu and terrorist attacks, 'Are we sure this is a good time to take God out of the Pledge of Allegiance?' Jay Leno

# Salamonie Summer Festival Queen, Jr. Miss & Princess Contest

If you are a girl between the ages of 5 and 19 and live in Warren or the surrounding area, you are eligible to be a contestant in the 2008 Salamonie Summer Festival Queen (13-19), Jr. Miss (9-12), and Princess (5-8) contest.

You will need a sponsor (an individual, organization or business) which is responsible for paying the entry fee. The fee for all ages is \$30.00. The entry blank and fee must be postmarked and submitted no later than Monday, June 2nd. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Once we get your entry fee we will be sending out a letter that explains everything about the contest and the informal meeting before the contest. The informal meeting will be Sat. June 21st at 3:00 pm at the Warren Church of Christ. The Warren Church of Christ is located at the corner of 3rd and Wayne Streets in Warren. The actual contest is on Sunday, June 22nd at 3pm at the Warren Church of Christ. Interviews will be take place that day and the winners will be announced that night.

This year we are also going to work with Fredrick's Photography in Huntington on a photogenic portion of the pageant. You will need to be able to go to Fredrick's Photography either on Thursday, June 5th or Monday June 9th from 4:45 - 5:45. After we receive your entry form Carly will call you to set up your 15 minute session. This is a no obligation to buy.

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LOVE INC DONATION

Jeff Souder, East of Chicago Pizza, presents a check to Steve Holmes and Bruce Preston of the Jefferson/Warren United Methodist Church Men's Group. The group held a fundraiser at East of Chicago and raised over \$658.00 to be donated to LOVE, Inc. Congratulations!!

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