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Thought for the Week: *A man's doubts and fears are his worst enemies.* William Wrigley Jr

BAZAAR PLANNED

Locally-made quilts, stained glass, and hand-painted decorations will be among the items for sale during a fall craft bazaar at the First Baptist Church in Warren, located at 727 N. Wayne St.

Scheduled for Saturday, October 15, the event will be held in the church's fellowship hall from 9a.m. to 2p.m. The First Baptist youth group will be selling hot lunches on-site from 11a.m.-1p.m.

Other items to be featured at the bazaar include homemade baked goods, candles, and other handmade crafts. Proceeds from the event will be used to support the church's upcoming mission projects.

A few remaining spaces remain for craft vendors. Those interested in participating as a vendor may call event coordinator Kim Park during the evening at 260-758-2372.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL

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OCTOBER 28!

The corn and beans are turning brown

And school-bell-sounds may cause a frown

Tons of Scarecrow fun will soon be found

When kids and adults parade around

At the Scarecrow Festival downtown!!!

Come join in on the fun on October 28 from 6-8pm! Start Building your Scarecrow: Creative Crow, Sports Crow, or Authentic Crow! And Start concocting your Tastiest Chili Brew! Yum!

The Warren Area Chamber of Commerce invites all Merchants, Schools, Clubs, Sororities, Individuals, and Churches to decorate storefronts with Harvest or Halloween themes. Please take this opportunity to show the people of Warren and surrounding areas how much you appreciate them with a fam-

ily-friendly, relaxing evening!

For businesses not located in downtown, please come and participate with a booth and banner! A location on Wayne Street will be chosen for you. More information to follow in the Warren Weekly, if any questions, volunteering, or for activity ideas please contact Gina @ 375-2556 or 3010.

BURGER BASH

All Middle School and High School students are invited to feast on some hamburgers in downtown Warren in the parking lot across from Cady's Express. Enjoy some music, basketball, volleyball, a field goal contest, a tricycle race, and other games. Cost is \$2. For more information contact Todd Winkler 224-4843.

HARVEST SUPPER

Dillman United Brethren Church's Annual Harvest Supper will be Saturday, September 24th from 4 - 7 p.m. This event is held to raise funds for missions. The meal will include scalloped chicken, ham and beans, cornbread, beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, sweet potatoes, potato rolls, a variety of salads, pies, desserts and drinks. Come for a wonderful meal and great fellowship. Freewill donations are accepted.

Dillman Church is located 3 miles West of State Road 3 on 900 South in Wells County. From Grant County on 400 North, go 1 mile into Wells County.

BUS TRIP

The Salamonie Summer Festival Fundraising Committee is hosting a one day bus trip to the Horseshoe Casino in Hammond on Sat., Oct. 15, 2005. Cost is \$40 per person on a first-paid, first-reserved basis. Price includes coffee, juice & rolls prior to leaving, lunch buffet at the casino, and snacks on return

trip home. Check-in begins at 7:30 am at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center with the bus leaving at 8 am. Please send your check payable to: Salamonie Summer Festival to PO Box 40. Warren, IN 46792. Be sure to include your name, address, phone number & date of birth. If you have any questions, please contact Vickie Grim at 260.375.3900.

MEETING CANCELLED

The regularly scheduled meeting of Town Council for Monday, September 26th has been cancelled as all Members of Council will be attending Monday workshop sessions as part of the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns Annual Meeting in Fort Wayne. The meeting has not been rescheduled although a Special Meeting will be called if business necessitates.

READING GROUP

The Reading Group at the Warren Library will meet on Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m.

The book being discussed is "Finding Ruth" by Roxanne Henke. It is the second in a series of novels about the people in the small town of Brewster.

New members are always welcome.

The book is available for check out at the Library.

MT ETNA SUPPER

The Mt Etna United Methodist Church Fish Chicken & Tenderloin supper by Dan' Fish Fry Service will be served Tuesday, October 5th from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the church located at the intersection of State Roads 9 & 124.

The menu will include meat, baked beans, cole slaw, applesauce and drink. Tickets are \$7.50 at the door, \$7.00 in advance, ages 6-12 \$4.00, age 5 and under, free, and may be purchased from any church member. Carry-outs available.

CHILI SUPPER

Salamonie Rebels Booster Club is sponsoring a Chili Supper on Wednesday, September 28, 2005 from 5:30 -7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The menu will consist of homemade chili cooked in a kettle over an open fire, hot dog, chips, dessert and drink. The cost of the meal is \$5.00. All proceeds will go to the school's Athletic Department for funding of the numerous athletic programs.

This event will follow the home 8th grade football game between Salamonie and Riverview. The game begins at 4:15 PM.

FROM OUR BOURBON STREET TO THEIRS

Once again, Warren pulled through! Natalie Jeanne's collected \$89.00 last week for the American Red Cross and Noah's Wish, bringing our grand total over \$300.00! Don't forget, we will continue our Bourbon Street pie fundraiser through the end of the year, so it's not too late to order yours! Thanks for your support!

THE WEEKLY SPECIAL

by Helen @ Natalie Jeanne's Blueberries, peaches and apples! Oh my! These fruits are a wonderful addition to this torte recipe.

Fruit Torte
1 cup sugar
½ cup butter
1 cup flour, sifted
1 tsp baking powder
2 eggs
Pinch salt
1 pint blueberries, or sliced peaches or apples

Cream sugar and butter. Add flour, baking powder, eggs and salt. Place in 9" spring form pan and cover entire top surface with one or a combination of fruits. Sprinkle top with sugar, cinnamon, lemon juice and flour (if fruit is very juicy). Bake at 350 for one hour. Cool quickly. This torte can be frozen or served

immediately. It is delicious warmed with vanilla ice cream.

Sadly, the Farmer's Market will end its 2005 season this Saturday, Sept. 24. At our final market, Bart Willard, local artist extraordinaire, will have a pumpkin carving demonstration at 9 AM. He will teach several different carving techniques that will ensure you have the best looking pumpkin on the block. Don't miss it! Until next week, Bon Appetit!

CHECK TO RED CROSS

MarkleBank presented a check for the Disaster Relief Fund to the American Red Cross of Huntington County.

MarkleBank collected funds at seven branch locations throughout Allen, Grant, Huntington and Wells Counties. The MarkleBank Charitable Foundation matched a portion of the donations. A total of \$23,252.86 was collected to help with the disaster relief efforts.

This check presentation may be the first of many from financial institutions as banks and credit unions across Huntington County are challenged to support hurricane relief efforts.

American Red Cross disaster assistance is free, made possible, by voluntary donations of time and money from the American people. You can help the victims of this and thousands of other disasters across the country each year by making a financial gift to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, which enables the Red Cross to provide shelter, food, counseling and other assistance to those in need. Contributions to the Disaster Relief Fund may be sent to your local American Red Cross chapter. Internet users can make a secure online contribution by visiting www.redcross.org. For more information about the American Red Cross and how you can help, call your local American Red Cross.

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Deadline for news and/or advertising is 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, for that week's edition. Call if you need something in but won't have it here on time.

Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THANK YOU

David Butler sends a big "Thank You" to everyone who sent a card, came to his Oopen House, or made a donation to the Warren Food Pantry.

It was all really appreciated.

THANK YOU

The Plum Tree U.C.C. members want to say "thank you" to the Sunflower Cooperative, the Warren community friends and neighbors who donated produce for our booth, and ALL those who patronized our booth at the Farmer's Market this summer.

We are applying the proceeds to the church building fund for new siding on the church.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again next year!

ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW: THE FARM STORY

One day the father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country. He wanted to show his son how poor people live. They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a poor family.

On their return from their trip, the father asked his son, "How was the trip?" "It was great, Dad." "Did you see how poor people can be?" the father asked. "Oh yes," said the son. "So what did you learn from the trip?" asked the father.

The son answered, "I saw that we have one dog and they have four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of the garden and they have a stream that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon.

"We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have people who serve us, but they serve others. We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property, but they have friends to protect them."

With this the boy's father was speechless. Then his son added, "Thanks Dad, for showing me how poor we are."

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Mike Helms, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Hours 6:00 p.m.
 Evening Praise Hour 6:00 p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00 p.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana
 765-934-2199
Rev. Pat Mullen, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Bible Study, Wednesday 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.

THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica
Rev. Gus Hacker

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148
Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

Sunday
 Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m.
Come As You Are
 Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies - all Sunday 6:00 p.m.

JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST
 Corner of 900S & 300W
Kathie Jones, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

WARREN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-3022
Gerald O. Moreland, Minister
Todd Winkler, Youth Minister
Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt.

Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren
 375-2779
Dick Case, Pastor

Sun - 1st Worship Service 8:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 2nd Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Group (6th-12th) 5:30 p.m.

Wed - Circle of Friends
 (3yrs old - 5th grade) ... 6:30-8p.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.

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 ... 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622
Pastor Dan Sommer

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

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
 468-2412
Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45 a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 758-2085
Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor
Sandy Keplinger, Supt.

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
Gary Riley, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
 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.

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Steve Bard, Pastor

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

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
Bill Keen, Pastor
Bus Service 375-2510

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group (Wed.) 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2102
Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor

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 6:00 p.m.

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

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

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 Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship
Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life
Debbie Wiley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 765-934-1431
Pastor Blake J. Neff
Youth Pastor Adam Pierce

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
 UMYF 6-7:30 p.m.
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:30 p.m.
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BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.

Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
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 765/664-8726
Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

1st Worship 8:20 a.m.
 2nd Worship 9:45 a.m.
 3rd Worship 11:11 a.m.
 Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2691
Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 468-2411
Doug Sharrard, Pastor
Teresa Davis, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday:
 CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME SUNDAY:
 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN
Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.

ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier
Rev. John Wallace, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

Attend the Church of Your Choice

AREA NEWS

FALL BAZAAR

The Warren United Church of Christ will hold their Annual Fall Bazaar on Saturday October 15th from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm.

You can find that special gift for someone, a new and unique decoration for your home, and even a new centerpiece for the holidays.

Our Deli will be open offering an assortment of homemade pies, cookies, candies, jams & jellies, and our famous homemade noodles.

Lunch will be served in the church dining room starting at 11:00 am and serving until 1:00 pm.

The church is located at the comers of 2nd Street and Main Streets in downtown Warren. Grab a friend or two and make plans to join us!

COUNCIL NOTES

Bill Cartwright conducted the Sept. 12 meeting of the Warren Town Council in the absence of President David Scheib. The meeting was held in Assembly Hall and opened at 6:30 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the regular meeting of Aug. 22 and a special meeting Aug. 30 were approved as submitted.

Council adopted Ordinance 2005-21, the 2006 Municipal Budget.

The Church of Christ, located at the corner of Third and Wayne Streets, requested permission to close the parking portion of Third Street on Sept. 17 for a carnival. Council granted the request.

Due to a conflicting meeting, Council agreed to cancel the Sept. 26 meeting. If necessary a special meeting will be held later.

An Indiana Michigan Distribution Association invoice was discussed. Negotiations are underway with AEP/I&M as the current contract for electricity supply is ending.

Ron Neff reported on a Roundtable meeting on Aug. 26 at Middlebury. Attending from Warren were: Marilyn Morrison, Ron Neff, Bill and Faye Cartwright.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison gave the August financial report.

Greg Guerrettaz has been working on Comprehensive Financial Plan reports. He plans a meeting with Council at a later date.

Curtis Day reported from the Utility/Street Departments.

Work is being done at the Tennis Courts at Tower Park. He was granted permission to replace fence around the Court.

Lee Poulson asked permission to rent a tractor for sludge removal. Council agreed.

Curtis Day was granted permission to attend an Indiana Municipal Electric Association meeting in Indianapolis.

Officers received word of an auto violation on College Street.

Conference Registrations are complete for IACT report.

The Revitalization will meet Sept. 15 at noon.

Council will meet Oct. 10 and 24.

ZION SUPPER

Zion United Methodist Church's annual HARVEST SUPPER is on Saturday, October 1 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. The menu for the evening is baked steak, corn or green beans, mashed potatoes/gravy, salads, rolls, pies, and drinks. Children 4 years and under are free. Carry-out meals are available. The public is invited. The church is located at 6276N Old Ft. Wayne Rd. in Huntington County.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers 18 years of age and older are needed to lead Girl Scout troops and support girls through adult mentoring. Because the Girl Scouting program has evolved to meet the needs of today's girls as well as the busy schedules and varied interests of today's adults, volunteer involvement can be coordinated around active lives.

Because adult mentors from all walks of life are vital to girls, it is also important to remember that volunteers do not have to be parents to be strong, successful troop leaders.

All potential volunteers are required to complete a volunteer application and complete a screening process prior to being placed in their area of interest.

Opportunities without direct youth involvement are also available. Such efforts could include office assistance, short-term program support, or service on leadership committees.

For more information about becoming an adult volunteer with Girl Scouts of Limberlost

Council, contact Ruth Strawser, Director of Membership Services, (260) 422-3417 or (800) 283-4812, extension 3318.

Girl Scouts of Limberlost Council, one of more than 300 councils chartered by Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., administers programs in Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Steuben and Wells counties in northeast Indiana. Through Girl Scouting, girls and adults participate in a wide range of activities that stimulate self-discovery, provide fun and friendship, help develop skills and build self-confidence.

PRESENT CHECK

A check was presented to the American Red Cross of Huntington County at the Country Post Inn. On Sunday, Sept. 11th the Country Post Inn had a dinner buffet to benefit the American Red Cross National Disaster Relief Fund, Over 250 people attended and a total \$3,000 was donated. Country Post Inn employees donated their time and tips as well. Gordon Food Service also provided food.

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by voluntary donations of time and money from the American people. You can help the victims of this and thousands of other disasters across the country each year by making a financial gift to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, which enables the Red Cross to provide shelter, food, counseling and other assistance to those in need. Contributions to the Disaster Relief Fund may be sent to your local American Red Cross chapter. Internet users can make a secure online contribution by visiting www.redcross.org. For more information about the American Red Cross and how you can help, call your local American Red Cross.

LOW CARB CRAZE

Blackford County Purdue Extension is sponsoring a lesson called, "The Low-Carb Craze". Everyday you hear that someone is on a diet. Learn what constitutes a healthy carbohydrate as opposed to less healthy ones. Learn how knowing healthy lifestyle changes will

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Community Calendar

Items listed here are open to the public. If there is an admission charge or items are for sale or a donation is necessary, there is a one-time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is cancelled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Sep 21	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Sep 22	Circle of Hope, 3:30-4:30 in 1A Activity Room, UMMH
Sep 26	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
Sep 29	Circle of Hope, 3:30-4:30 in 1A Activity Room, UMMH
Sep 30	Warren Recycle Day
Oct 4	Mt Etna UM Church Fish Ckn Tenderloin Supper 4:30-7
Oct 6	Circle of Hope, 3:30-4:30 in 1A Activity Room, UMMH
Oct 6	Mt Zion Fish Fry, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
Oct 13	Circle of Hope, 3:30-4:30 in 1A Activity Room, UMMH
Oct 20	Circle of Hope, 3:30-4:30 in 1A Activity Room, UMMH
Oct 27	Circle of Hope, 3:30-4:30 in 1A Activity Room, UMMH
Nov 25, 26	Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Dec 1, 2, 3	Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Dec 8, 9, 10	Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Mar 24	Salamonie School Carnival, Food-Games-Fun

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 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 **Salamonie Valley Museum** Open Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC **Farmers Market** Saturdays at corner of 1st & Main

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

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bring lasting results and boost long term health and wellness. This lesson will be presented by Betty E. Bagley, CFS Extension Educator from Blackford County.

The program will be Tuesday, October 4, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. at the Heritage Commons Activity Room, 100 Independence Parkway, Hartford City. Cost of Program is \$1.00.

To make a reservation, please call the Blackford County Extension Office 765-348-3213 by October 3, 2005.

IDENTITY THEFT

Blackford County Purdue Extension is sponsoring a lesson called, "Identity Theft". The 1900's spawned a new variety of crooks called identity thieves. Their stock in trade are your everyday transactions. An identity theft co-opts some piece of your personal information and appropriates it without your knowledge to commit fraud or theft. Learn how to minimize your chances of identity theft. This lesson will be presented by Debbie Reed, CFS Extension Educator from Randolph County.

The program will be Thursday, October 6, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. at the Heritage Commons Activity Room, 100 Independence Parkway, Hartford City. Cost of Program is \$1.00.

To make a reservation, please call the Blackford County Extension Office 766-348-3213 by October 6, 2006.

STORYTIME

Twelve children and two adults attended the Van Buren Public Library celebration of Grandparents Day.

The children and guests entered into the children's department and signed in. The chil-

dren introduced their special guests. The Bryant children had brought two guests. Their two guests were their Grandmother Peggie Howard and their mother Patsy Bryant. We were happy these two took the time out of their busy day to join us.

Karen shared with the children how and when Grandparents Day began. We found out in 1970, a West Virginia housewife, Marian Lucille Herdon McQuade, initiated a campaign to set aside a special day just for Grandparents. Then in 1973 the first Grandparents Day was proclaimed in West Virginia by Governor Arch Moore. Also in 1973, Senator Jennings Randolph introduced a Grandparents Day resolution in the United States Senate. More work by Mrs. McQuade and her team was done and in 1978, five years after its West Virginia inception, the United States Congress passed legislation proclaiming the first Sunday after Labor Day as National Grandparents Day. The proclamation was signed by President Jimmy Carter. (September was chosen for the holiday, to signify the "autumn years" of life.)

The children colored pictures for their grandparents and received activity sheets to do with their grandparents when they see them. Grandparents are very special to their grandchildren and children are very special to their grandparents and are a special gift from God.

Refreshments were cool aid and cupcakes to decorate.

Those attending were Autumn Smith, Jessica Smith, Mallory Smith, Nixon Smith, Aurora Follis, Tyler Follis, Olivia Bryant, Emily Bryant, Elizabeth Bryant and their Grandmother Peggie Howard and mother Patsy Bryant. Also attending were Emilee Henning, Amanda Keifer and Kayley Handshoe.

This coming Friday we will

celebrate Johnny Appleseed's Birthday. Hope to see you.

BAYVIEW READING

The Bayview Reading Club met September 13, 2005 in the Calico Room at the United Methodist Memorial Home. Luncheon was served by the Home. The decorations had a star theme.

Helen Stokes, president, presided for the business meeting. The new program books for 2005-2006 were distributed to the members and guests. Thirteen members were present and our guests were June Percifull and Willie Hethcote. The minutes of the May meeting were read and the treasurer report was given. Both were accepted.

Lilly Nutter gave the card committee report. Approval was given to pay the bill for printing the year books. The door prize of \$5.00 for the Applegate Cove was won by Iva May Wygart.

Marion Dawson presented an interesting program on favorite hymns. The origin and history of each hymn was very interesting as well as the author's reason for writing them. It was very enlightening to learn how much joy and sadness was part of the challenge and inspiration when the hymns were composed.

The hostess committee was Marian Dawson and Esther Andrew.

ALZHEIMER'S PROGRAM

The Alzheimer's Association will host an educational program, Alzheimer's: Beginning to Cope on Friday, October 7 from 1-3 p.m. at Parkview Huntington Hospital, 2001 Stults Rd., in Huntington. This free program offers a comprehensive overview of Alzheimer's disease. Medical information will be presented by a physician or medical profession. An elder law attorney will discuss legal and

financial considerations.

There is no charge to attend this program however reservations are required. To reserve your space or for additional information call the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-272-3900.

Today, approximately 4.5 million Americans have Alzheimer's disease. By the year 2030, when the entire baby boomer generation will be over the age of 65, that number will skyrocket to 7.7 million. Within just a decade, Medicare spending on people with Alzheimer's disease will increase by almost 55 percent to \$50 billion annually. Medicaid expenditures will rise by almost 80 percent to \$33 billion annually.

The Alzheimer's Association is the world leader in Alzheimer research and support. Having awarded more than \$150 million to nearly 1,300 projects, the Alzheimer's Association is the largest private funder of Alzheimer research. The Association's vision is a world without Alzheimer's disease. For more information about Alzheimer's disease, call 800.272.3900.

TURKEY TROT

Kids Kampus™ childcare center of Huntington will host the first annual Turkey Trot 5K run

and fun walk on Thanksgiving morning. The race sponsored by McDonald's, National City, H.H. Niswander's and the Kill-So-Quah Roadrunners will start from McDonald's in Huntington at 8:00 A.M. on Thanksgiving morning. The run is mostly flat and will run on pavement. Cash prizes will be awarded to division winners.

Ronald McDonald will start the race, and registration starts at 7:00 A.M. The one-mile fun walk starts at 8:30. The cost for the race is \$15 if you pre register, and \$20 day of the race. Those who pre-register will receive a free long sleeved t-shirt. Proceeds for the race will benefit the Kids Kampus Early Childhood Education Center "Bus Fund". Registration forms are available at Kids Kampus, McDonalds, National City, or Niswander's in Huntington, or call Kids Kampus™ at 260-356-0123.

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GENEALOGY REPORT

THORNE

Thomas J. Thorne, 58, died at 11:10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 12, 2005 at Hickory Creek at Huntington.

Born Sept. 5, 1947 in Huntington County, he was the son of George E. and Laruey P. King Thorne.

Surviving are two sisters, Betty Shaw and Jeanette Lee, both of Warren, and two nephews and five nieces. He was preceded in death by three sisters in addition to the parents.

There were no calling hours. A private graveside service was held with Rev. Lynn Mefferd officiating. Burial was in Mt. Etna Cemetery. Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, was in charge of arrangements.

BLEEKE

Taylor Ann Bleeke was stillborn Thursday, Sept. 15, 2005, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Survivors include parents Chad Alan and Kelly Ann (Rouch) Bleeke of Montpelier; grandparents Allen and Tina Rouch of Montpelier, Mrs. Jerry (Robin) Lane of Liberty Center and Daniel Bleeke of Decatur; and great-grandparents Robert and Norma Rouch of Winchester, Wanda Love of Hartford City, Peggy Curts of Dunkirk, Nancy Franzee of Bluffton and Justin and Libby B. Franzee of Magley.

Graveside services were held at Brookside Memorial Park, Montpelier, with Brent Birdshall officiating.

Glancy Funeral Homes - Walker Chapel, Montpelier, was in charge of the arrangements.

JAMES

A Corning Glass Bluffton plant worker for 19 years and then a millwright for 13 years at the General Motors plant in Marion until retirement in 1997, I. Richard "Dick" James, 71, of Bluffton died at 2:46 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, 2005, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

He was a 1953 graduate of Jackson Center High School in Wells County.

Born May 6, 1934, he was a son of Herman and Nora Riggs James. His marriage was on June 6, 1953 to Cora Banter, who survives. Also surviving are three sons, Rodney James of Van Buren, Roland James of Columbia City and David James of Warren; two daughters, Mona Gearheart of Bluffton and Mrs. Scott (Rhonda) Snover of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Ronald James of Upland and Dwight James of Montpelier; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

There are 4 step-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Garl and Delmar James, and one grandchild.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, with Pastor Larry Taylor officiating. Burial was in Gardens of Memory, Marion. Memorials to Park United Brethren Church, Bluffton, or Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation, Chicago.

MC CREARY

Sister of Mrs. Ron (Bonnie) Burns of Poneto and Mrs. Pat Bales of Liberty Center, Mary J. McCreary, 63, died at her son's home in Riverside, Ohio, at 6:45 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, 2005.

Born May 29, 1942 in Wells County to Jonathan W. and Edna D. Taylor Butler, she was employed in retail sales for Zale's Corp.

Survivors include the son, Dave McCreary, a daughter, Diane Chalfant of Farmland; two other sisters, Sandra Bryant, Little Rock, Ark., and Carolyn Butler, Florida; a brother, James Butler of Libby, Mont.; and six grandchildren. A son, Lynn Said, preceded her in death.

There will be no services or visitation.

Arrangements are in charge of Goodwin Memorial Chapel.

BLINN

Barbara N. Blinn, 63, Syracuse, died at 1:10 p.m. Thursday, September 15, 2005 in Methodist Memorial Home, Warren.

She was born April 25, 1942 in Silver Lake to the late Vernon and Goldie (Engle) Nelson. She resided in Syracuse for a year. She graduated from Silver Lake High School and spent most of her life in the Van Buren area.

She was formerly employed at the Chronicle-Tribune as an advertising assistant. She also worked as an office manager at IPT Inc., Warren. She was a member of Poetry Study Club of Terre Haute and West Virginia State Poetry Society. In the last six years, she has had 141 poetry awards in 16 states.

Survivors include a daughter, Carol (Kevin) White, Warren; grandsons, Josh and Jacob White, both of Warren; and sisters, Pat Ward and Ann Sweet, both of Warsaw.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Mark Blinn.

Services are at 2 p.m. Sept. 24 in Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., Van Buren, with the Rev. Bob Bothast officiating. Burial is in Van Buren Cemetery.

Visitation is from noon until services Sept. 24 at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Grant County Crippled Children's Association or to Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana, 265 W. Water St., Berne, Ind., 46711.

BANCROFT

William W. "Trey" Bancroft III, 36, died Friday, September 16, 2005 in Lafayette.

He was born April 10, 1969 in Rancho Cordova, Calif., to the late William Warner Bancroft Jr. and Sally Jo Bancroft, who survives.

He grew up in the Marion and Van Buren areas. He was a 1987 graduate of Eastbrook High School. He also graduated from Purdue Extension, Anderson, with an associate's degree in electrical engineering technology in 1990. In 1992, he graduated from Purdue University, Lafayette, with a degree in electrical engineering technology.

He was a member of McCulloch Masonic Lodge, Marion, and also a past member of the Marion Order of De Molay. He had received an Order of Chevalier award.

For the past four years, he was employed by US Security Associates Inc. as a shift supervisor at the SIA plant in Lafayette. Last year, he was awarded the officer of the year.

He also attended First United Methodist Church, Marion, when he was in the area.

Additional survivors include maternal grandmother, Charlotte May, Marion; paternal grandparents, William (Mary Ann) Bancroft, Indianapolis; and his cats, Woody and Marty. He also was preceded in death by maternal grandfather, Charles May.

Services are at a later date. Burial is in Van Buren Cemetery.

There is no visitation.

Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., Van Buren, handled

arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the animal charity of donor's choice.

BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE

Please come join us in celebrating with an open house the 80th birthday of Alva D. Korporal on September 25, 2005 between the hours of 1 and 4 p.m. at the Van Buren Lions Club in Van Buren.

Alva was born September 24, 1925 to Alva Sr and Callie Korporal. Alva was married to Dorothy Chenoweth on September 30, 1945. His children are Larry Korporal and Linda Saunders.

Alva worked at General Tire in Marion for 35 years before retiring. Please omit gifts. Just come and wish him a Happy Birthday.

If you are unable to attend and want to wish him a Happy Birthday, you can send him a card to PO Box 175, Van Buren, IN 46991.

BIRTH

Tim and Kelley Stucky Tobias are the parents of a daughter, Hillary Kay, born August 29th, 2005, at Adams Co. Hospital.

Hillary weighed 8 pounds 5 ounces and measured 21 ½ inches. She joins a sister, Jessica Renae at their home in Monroe, IN.

Maternal grandparents are Steve and Carol Stucky of Monroe. Paternal grandparents are Harriett Tobias and the late Rex L. Tobias of Warren.



ENGAGED

Phil and Debby Leas of Poneto have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their son Cory to April Horstman, daughter of Larry and Jane Horstman of Indianapolis. The couple will marry during a 2:30 p.m. ceremony at Hanfield United Methodist Church off St Rd 18, Marion.

Cory is the grandson of Gail and Devonna Leas of the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren and the late George and Iris Warner of Petroleum.

The groom is a 2001 graduate of Southern Wells High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Ball State University in May 2005. While enrolled at Ball State he was also a member of the men's cross country and track teams. He is currently employed at Single Source Systems in Fishers where he is a product support developer.

His fiancé is a 2001 graduate of Warren Central High School in Indianapolis. She earned a bachelor's degree in advertising from Ball State University in May 2005. While enrolled at the University she worked for Ball State's Admissions Department. She is currently employed at National College of Business and Technology, Castleton Branch, in their admissions department.

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MAKE-IT, TAKE-IT CRAFT DAY

In observance of Indiana Extension Homemakers Association Week, the Huntington County Extension Homemakers are presenting a Make-It, Take-It Craft Day on Tuesday, October 18, 2005. The Craft Day will be held at the Courthouse Annex (354 N. Jefferson St) in the second floor meeting room. You may choose from the following three sessions: 10:00-11:30am; 1:00-3:00pm; or 6:30-8:30pm. Crafts offered will be Tin Punch, Iris Folding, Kitchen Angel, or Embroidery on paper. All crafts will be offered for a cost of \$2.00 each. You may choose two crafts per session and you may attend more than one session. You must pre-register and pre-pay by Friday, October 7, 2005. Each session must have a minimum of five people, or the session will be cancelled. You may pick up a registration form and view samples of the craft projects at the Huntington County Extension Office in the Courthouse Annex (354 N Jefferson St) or call 358-4826 for more information.

SENIOR EMPLOYMENT

At 62, Maxine Anderson* never thought she would be broke and unemployed. But, due to various circumstances, that is exactly where she found herself.

In her younger days she was a happily married, successful businesswoman, who even owned her own business at one point in her life. Following a divorce, some serious health problems and having her house condemned because of mold, Anderson didn't know where to turn. The minimal social security she was receiving just wasn't enough.

Anderson had been searching for a job, and had marketable skills, but could not seem to find a job that was part-time. Due to her previous health problems, a full-time position was not something she could physically tolerate. "Every time I went for a job interview I ran into obstacles; my age and the fact that I couldn't work full time because of my meds." Anderson said the process became very frustrating. "Unfortunately, there is such a thing as age discrimination, and that was quite a realization for me," she said.

"I had no money; I knew I needed to find a job," she said, "and I was willing to work." Trying to find resources related to low-income housing, someone at Indiana Housing Services informed her about the Senior Employment, or Title V Program, at Aging and In-Home

Services of Northeast Indiana, Inc. (AIHS). In early spring Anderson got in touch with Karen Isle, the Director of the Title V Program at AIHS. After determining her eligibility and skills, Isle was quickly able to place her in a position at the local library.

Unfortunately, the job involved a lot of standing, and Anderson wasn't able to handle the strain. In July, she started a new position at the local United Way agency. She answers the phone, does paperwork and some book-keeping work on the computer. Anderson now works 20 hours a week and thoroughly enjoys it. The income she receives helps to supplement her social security and allows her to maintain a decent standard of living. There is also a possibility of this position leading to permanent employment, which is her ultimate goal. "I just wish there was a way to tell more people that there is help out there," Anderson said.

The Title V program is funded through the Older Americans Act and places low-income individuals over the age of 55 in positions at not-for-profit agencies to gain experience and confidence. The program also provides training and employment counseling. To see if you qualify, contact Karen Isle at 1.800.552.3662.

MY BASEBALL FANTASY CAMP TRIP (PART 3)

by Larry Dale Ryan
(Editors Note: Larry Dale Ryan is a former Warren High School graduate. He currently lives in Camby, IN.)

Our team immediately commenced competition against the #2 seeded unit. We pitched well, fielded well, and narrowly missed tying up the game when one of our young guys hit a long fly ball down the right field line that landed just foul. Our downfall was a play where the pitcher, the same bad luck young man, made a relay throw from the centerfielder that sailed over the

catcher's head for the only run that mattered as we lost 2-0.

The final statistics placed our team in third place and as such permitted us to be the third team in line to play against the coaches in the finale event on Saturday morning. This took place at Henley Field as Joker Marchant Stadium was closed for repairs, having sustained damage from Hurricane Jeanne. Prior to the game, all of the campers were introduced over the loud speaker and videotaped as each approached the home plate area. We wore our away uniforms while the former Detroit Tiger players donned the home "whites" with their names above the original numbers on the back.

Each camper team played two innings with half of the players batting in one inning. The former professionals batted until they made three outs and then took the field and pitched against their own campers. I started pitching for our team with the promise of relinquishing that position after 2-3 batters. I faced Milt Cuyler, Rusty Kuntz, and Mike Heath. They accumulated two hard hits and a ground out. I think that Mike felt that I had sustained enough humiliation and bounced one to the second baseman.

The second inning was uneventful while playing first base. However, I did distract former Tiger pitcher, Doug Bair long enough that he forgot to run from first on a two out, batted ball.

For my time at bat, I had planned to bat left-handed on the first pitch and then turn around and hit right-handed. As I approached the batter's box, I was encouraged to get a base "knock" by the catcher, Mike Heath, playing his usual position. My strategy evaporated quickly as Rusty Kuntz grooved the first pitch and I instinctively pulled the trigger and the ball was grounded to the shortstop. However, my leg had recovered enough for me to run gently down the line towards first base.

This was a small victory and helped to lessen the disappointment of being relatively immobile for much of the camp.

I was amazed at the retained skill level of the former major leaguers! Even after 20-37 years removed from their prime, most of them could still hit, field, run, and throw exceptionally well. What was more amazing, was the fact that they accomplished this after being feted to a big steak dinner and kept out late by the campers on the previous night. That dinner has become a camp tradition.

The final scheduled activity for the camp was the Saturday Night Banquet. Family members of some of the campers had arrived during the week and joined the players for the banquet. After dinner the coaches introduced all of their players one last time.

As I finally parted company

with teammates and coaches and was waiting for our airplane in Tampa on Sunday morning, I could not help but reflect on the experience and relive some of the moments. There were numerous memories, but the following ones are those that I will cherish the most and remember the longest:

. Seeing Al Kaline, that incomparable Tiger legend, walk through the clubhouse virtually unnoticed by the rest of the campers who had their backs to him during an instructional clinic.

. Meeting Mickey Lolich and having him autograph baseballs and a Fantasy Camp baseball cap, watching him pitch two innings in the finale game, and having dinner exclusively with him and our spouses on Wednesday night at the hotel dining room.

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Over 35 Louisiana State University agents and support staff lost their homes, contents, and personal belongings. Several of these personnel have children and must locate to new schools and housing.

The outpouring of support and concern from 4-H faculty and families in counties and states across the country has been overwhelming as we seek ways to address this crisis, said Janet Fox, LSU 4-H specialist. "Your support and concern not only will support our 4-H faculty, 4-H members, and volunteers through this ordeal; it also reinforces the belief we are all part of the greatest youth organization family in the world."

In Louisiana a fund has been setup in the Louisiana 4-H Foundation for several purposes: to provide assistance for Extension agents who have lost their homes and/or contents; to provide materials and assistance for "dislocated/relocated" 4-H members; to provide essentials for evacuees located at the Grant Walker 4-H Educational Center; and to restore facilities, equipment and supplies as needed for the 2006 4-H sum-

mer camping program at the Grant Walker 4-H Educational Center.

If you would like to donate via credit card, you may do so from the Louisiana 4-H Foundation Web site at <http://www.La4HFoundation.org> or by calling the foundation and providing the needed information. The phone number is (225)578-2196. Please note, it may be difficult to reach this number due to phone line difficulties.

In addition, people may begin by writing letters of caring and encouragement to Operation 4-H Adoption, Louisiana 4-H Office, P.O. Box 25100, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70894-5100. The State 4-H Office will forward the letters of caring to affected 4-H members, families, clubs and other youth displaced by the hurricane.

Mississippi Operation 4-H Relief is the way 4-H members, volunteers and staff are reaching out to those families and children in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

Two ways to help include: "Letters of Caring and Hope" 4-H members can write letters that are encouraging. The letters will need to be sent to: Mississippi Operation 4-H Relief—Letters of Caring & Hope, Box 9641, MS State, MS 39762. If they are sent UPS — Operation 4-H Relief, 204 Bost Extension Center, MS State, MS 39762 The letters will be distributed through local 4-H Agents and 4-H youth and adult volunteers to young people affected by the hurricane.

Mississippi Operation 4-H Relief Activity Kits: For the families and young people in shelters or in isolated areas without power and services, the days are getting long and the young people are getting restless, specialists have designed activity boxes. These boxes are full of supplies and have lesson plans and activities for kids and parents. They also include 4-H coloring books and other curricula. When possible 4-H t-shirts are accompanying the

boxes. The kits bring out the "heart" in the 4-H emblem, this generosity brings together families in this difficult situation.

The MS 4-H Foundation has set up a separate account for hurricane relief. Funds will go to 4-H families and to purchase supplies for the activity boxes. Donations should be sent to MS 4-H Foundation, Box 9601, MS State, MS 39762.

The Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office has additional details about supporting Extension and 4-H families in these two states. Please contact the Extension Office at County Courthouse Annex, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington or phone (260) 358-4826. Additional information may also be emailed by contacting Linda Aldridge at laldridge@purdue.edu.

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A list of the airlines that have charitable mile agreements with the American Red Cross, and a brief summary of those agreements, are provided below. Persons wishing to donate their frequent flier miles to the Red Cross may do so by contacting the appropriate airline directly. Thanks to individuals donating their miles, the Red Cross will be there to provide relief when

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United Airlines - Mileage Plus members can make donations to the American Red Cross through United Airline's Mileage Plus Charity program. The minimum mileage requirement for a donation is 1,000 miles and all donated miles will be used strictly for disaster-related travel. All donations should be made through the Mileage Plus Service Center by calling 1-800-421-4655. Get more information here: <http://www.united.com/page/article/0,,1363,00.html>.

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