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Thought for the Week: A strong positive mental attitude will create more miracles than any wonder drug. Patricia Neal

### CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Heritage Pointe of Warren holds a Caregiver Support Group for Alzheimer's and Dementia on the 2nd Monday of every month from 6:30 to 7:30pm and is Free to attend.

Navigate the challenges of Alzheimer's and Dementia with our caregiver support group! Join us this month on November 11th, at a special time of 5:30 pm for our Heritage Pointe of Warren Caregiver Support Group for Alzheimer's and Dementia. Our highly trained professionals are here to support countless individuals in the Warren area.

Due to our Veteran's program at 7pm, our support group will run from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. We have had great turnouts, and are hoping to have another impactful gathering this month!

### RENOVATIONS AT SALAMONIE

Huntington County Community Schools is excited to share important updates on the upcoming renovations at Salamonie Elementary School. Despite rumors suggesting otherwise, we want to assure the community that there are no plans to close the school. Instead, we are making a major investment to ensure its continued success.

At the center of this effort is a \$5.5 million project recently approved by the school board to upgrade the school's HVAC system. This vital improvement will replace the aging system, which has been in place since the building was constructed in the 1970s. Ensuring a modern, energy-

efficient HVAC system is crucial to providing a comfortable and healthy learning environment for students and staff alike.

During a presentation to the board, Terry Thornsbury of Viridian Architectural Design, Inc. outlined the renovation plans, which are designed with both current needs and future flexibility in mind. While the HVAC upgrade is the primary focus, other key elements of the renovation include:

Addressing the natatorium: The school's unused pool may be removed to free up space for other educational uses.

Upgrading locker rooms and additional spaces: Various areas could be renovated or repurposed to better suit the school's evolving needs.

Superintendent John Trout emphasized the significance of this investment, stating, "We are not closing Salamonie Elementary School. In fact, we're investing \$5.5 million into much-needed HVAC improvements, which demonstrates our commitment to the school's future."

### FESTIVAL WINNERS

The 2024 Scarecrow Festival Chili Cook-off winners are: 1st Place Graveyard Grub by TCR Remodeling; 2nd Place Nauna's Chili by Angela Miller; and 3rd Place First Baptist Church.

Winners of the Scarecrow Contest are: Family: Phyllis Eltzroth & Family Dreamin' of Sleep Hollow; and Business: Hoosier Real Estate "Warren" One in a Minion.

### OPEN HOUSE PLANNED

The Warren Holiday Walk is our favorite way to get in the festive spirit, and this year, we're adding our own cup of cheer! While you're out enjoying the decked out trees and gingerbread houses, we invite you to stop by and take a trolley tour of our Heritage Pointe community. You'll have a chance to see our Independent Living residences, Assisted Living residences, and beautifully maintained golf course. The best part is, a different signature cocoa and cookie combo will be waiting for you at each stop! To get your map or grab the trolley come to Warren's Heritage Pointe main entrance door #1.

If you'd like to purchase one of our limited edition holiday mugs, please stop by the reception desk. Proceeds benefit the Heritage Pointe Foundation.

Open House will be from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at 801 Huntington Avenue, Warren.

Holiday Walk & Festival of Trees will be from 5 to 8 pm, Downtown Warren.

### VETERANS PARADE

Huntington's 12th Annual Veterans Day Parade is this Saturday, November 2nd at 10am. The parade route starts out on MacGahan Street, traveling on to Jefferson Street, West Park Drive and to Memorial Park for a short ceremony.

This Saturday morning will be Sunny & Beautiful and it's your chance to line the streets in full force – wave a flag and show your Patriotism and Honor to our Veterans Saturday, November 2nd @ 10am and you will get CANDY too!

### VETERAN'S TO BE HONORED

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

The 10th annual Patriotic ceremony starts at 5:00 pm serving up a complimentary dinner followed by an Armed Forces Tribute opening with Huntington's JROTC Color Guard, "A Few Good Men", Hallelujah Hands and a few of the Erie Band Trombone players and more! Please

share your talents by playing an instrument, singing a special song, and or sharing a favorite verse to honor our Military. Please call 260-375-4505 to schedule your talent and position in the entertainment lineup.

Officially Veterans Day is Monday, November 11. We are excited to show all Veterans our support on the Sunday before, in order to help bring awareness to Monday the 11th!

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, November 10th.

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### EVENT SPONSORS



### THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SUPPORTERS!

Event Sponsors for the 13th Annual Historic Warren Main Street Holiday Walk & Festival of Trees are:

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Make plans to join Historic Warren Main Street to enjoy a fun filled evening on Friday, November 22, 2024 5:00-8:00 pm.

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**FESTIVAL THANKS**

Thank you to all the Businesses, Organizations, Churches and Families and Chamber that supported the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Scarecrow Festival. The costumes were amazing and the crowd full of families was SO FUN!! The Chili Cook-Off Winners were announced Friday night and for First place bragging rights "Graveyard Grub" by TCR Remodeling Won! Second Place went to "Nauna's Chili" by Angela Miller and Third Place went to "White Chicken Chili" by First Baptist Church. The Winner of the Scarecrow Contest Family Category "Dreaming of Sleepy Hollow" by Phyllis Eltzroth & Family and Winner of the Business Category "Warren is One in a Minion" by Hoosier Real Estate Miranda Bolinger. Thank you to the Chili Cook-off & Scarecrow Contestants for all your talent & hard work. See You Next Year for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scarecrow Festival!

Thank You, Scarecrow Festival Committee



Well I'm very glad the harvest festival is over. Tara and I had a great time representing AG Express by doing a ring toss game. By the time the night was over, we both were exhausted and very sore. I think we both realized we are just not as young as we use to be. But we enjoyed ourselves. We dressed up as minions and had many compliments on our attire.

Our next event is the annual Salamonie Summer Festival Bazaar which will be November 9th at the Knight Bergman Civic Center, so come down and get some fantastic Christmas gifts and then stop in the auditorium and get some lunch. We will be serving vegetable soup, potato soup and shaved ham sandwiches. This will be free will donation with all proceeds going to the festival.

Then we will be participating in the Holiday Walk and Festival of Trees November 22. AG express will be having a tree and we will be handing out cookies. Of course once again Tara and I will be putting together a gingerbread house of a building in the Warren area. I'm kinda excited to put this one together cause I think it will be pretty simple. But that don't mean it is. Lol. There's a lot to put on my board, so we will see.

Have a great week and hope you enjoyed our Indian summer, but you know what's next. I have heard the "s" word is possible in two weeks, let's hope not.

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| <p><b>ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier<br/>                 Nick Miller, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b><br/>                 8924S 900W 35<br/>                 Harold Smith, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 Steve Nevius, Pastor<br/>                 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.<br/>                 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.</p> <p><b>CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b><br/>                 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199<br/>                 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp<br/>                 Handicap Accessible<br/>                 Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099</p> <p><b>HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —</b><br/>                 5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA<br/>                 Pastor Wayne Couch<br/>                 260/515-2517<br/>                 Sunday Prayer ..... 9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.<br/>                 Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.<br/>                 Daycare provided during Worship</p> <p><b>DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN</b><br/>                 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779<br/>                 Matt Kennedy, Pastor<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.</p> <p><b>HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726<br/>                 Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor<br/>                 Worship..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.</p> <p><b>THE NEW BEGINNING</b><br/>                 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto<br/>                 Steve Sutton, Pastor<br/>                 765/728-2065 for more info<br/>                 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.<br/>                 Thursday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HERITAGE POINTE</b><br/>                 Chaplains Ginny Soultz, John Moyer &amp; Cindy Osgood<br/>                 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Mon-Fri Chapel Services ..... 9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday Catholic Mass ..... 1:00p.m.<br/>                 Thurs. Catholic Mass ..... 10:30a.m.</p> <p><b>WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>                 727 N Wayne St, Warren<br/>                 260-375-2811<br/>                 office@warrenfirsbaptist.net<br/>                 Pator Rusty Strickler<br/>                 Youth Dir: Peter &amp; Mindy Fairchild<br/>                 Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday Worship .....10:00 a.m.<br/>                 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ...Sun 11:30<br/>                 Ekklesia ..... Sun 6:30pm</p> | <p><b>HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b><br/>                 375-2510<br/>                 Pastor Steven Spencer<br/>                 Bus Service 375-2510<br/>                 www.warrennaz.org<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>SOLID ROCK CHURCH OF WARREN</b><br/>                 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN<br/>                 375-3873<br/>                 John Boyanowski, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>LANCASTER WESLEYAN</b><br/>                 3147 W 543 S, Huntington<br/>                 765.251.2322<br/>                 Ron Forsythe, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Wednesdays:<br/>                 Bible Study &amp; Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>                 694-6622<br/>                 Aaron Westfall, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Fellowship ..... 10:00a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:15a.m.<br/>                 Tues. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.<br/>                 Wed. Choir ..... 6:30p.m.<br/>                 Monthly Meetings<br/>                 1<sup>st</sup> Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.<br/>                 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am<br/>                 4<sup>th</sup> Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CENTER COMMUNITY CHURCH</b><br/>                 Pastor Diane Samuels<br/>                 Fellowship Time .....9:00a.m.<br/>                 Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.</p> <p><b>THE CHURCH AT MCNATT</b><br/>                 375-4359<br/>                 Bill VanHaften, Pastor<br/>                 Lois Slusher, Supt.<br/>                 Brittney Miller, Youth &amp; Family Dir.<br/>                 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. ETNA COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH</b><br/>                 260/468-2148 Sr 9 &amp; 124<br/>                 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"<br/>                 Good Morning Church (Sunday School for all ages .....9:00 - 9:45<br/>                 Worship Service .....10:00 - 11:00<br/>                 Everyone is Welcome</p> <p><b>SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN</b><br/>                 468-2412<br/>                 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor<br/>                 Worship .....9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Church School ..... 10:45a.m.</p> | <p><b>1st CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF WARREN</b><br/>                 375-2102<br/>                 www.firstccw.net<br/>                 Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor<br/>                 Takarra Myers, Youth Director<br/>                 office@firstccw.net<br/>                 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.<br/>                 Youth Sunday School during<br/>                 Worship Service<br/>                 Youth Group-Wed ..... 6:00 p.m.<br/>                 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month</p> <p><b>VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b><br/>                 765/934-3321 Parsonage<br/>                 Jeff Slater, Pastor<br/>                 Jim Knight, Superintendent<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.<br/>                 Evening Praise Hour ..... 6:00p.m.<br/>                 Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.</p> <p><b>VB CHURCH OF THE VINE</b><br/>                 765-934-1431<br/>                 Pastor Brad Hensley<br/>                 vanburenychurchofthevine@gmail.com<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 9:30 am<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:45am<br/>                 Not Home Alone - Wed ..... 3:00 pm<br/>                 Prayer Group (Thur)..... 6:30pm<br/>                 Men Serving God Group ... 4<sup>th</sup> Sat. 9am<br/>                 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am<br/>                 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue ..... 12:00 pm</p> <p><b>WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>                 375-3022<br/>                 Mickey Strong, Senior Minister<br/>                 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister<br/>                 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.<br/>                 Tara Bower - Secretary<br/>                 www.warrenchurchofchrist.org<br/>                 Fellowship .....9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Worship &amp; Communion .....9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School .....11 to 11:50 a.m.<br/>                 Youth:<br/>                 K-6th grade, Mon ..... 6:15-7pm<br/>                 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm</p> <p><b>FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH</b><br/>                 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN<br/>                 765-618-0027<br/>                 Pastor Al Soultz<br/>                 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am<br/>                 Sunday School Classes .....9:30 am<br/>                 Wed. Bible Study .....7:00 pm</p> |
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# AREA NEWS

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You are welcome to wear your military uniform. Pictures in your Military Uniform or "In Action" along with your Branch of Service, dates of when and where you are currently serving or have served, will be displayed on the screen during the event. The photo and info may be emailed or scanned & returned to you at Bolinger's Propane Service, located at 115 N. Wayne St. in Warren by Wednesday, November 6th @ 5pm. Please email [ginac@agbest.com](mailto:ginac@agbest.com) or call 260-375-4505 or 260-917-1707 if any questions, to send your photo/details, to schedule your talent, to volunteer to serve the dinner, and to RSVP to 375-4505, in order to help prepare for this event. Currently there are 200+ Military troops on the Tribute Video; there is always room for More! Solid Rock Church is located at 485 Bennett Drive, Warren, across from Heritage Point. Walk-ins are Welcome.

Everyone is Invited to attend this Celebration to show support to our Military. Thank you, Veterans, and Active-Duty Military for ALL you do for our Country, God Bless America!

## LIBRARY EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events at the Warren Public Library.

October 30 - 6th-12th grade bead night - 6 to 8 pm at WPL

October 31 - Halloween Open House, 4-6pm at WPL. Games, Ghost Hunt, Story Time, Glow Necklaces.

November 6 - 6th-12th Grade Pizza & Game Night - 6-8pm - RSVP for event

November 11 - Veterans Day - Library closed.

November 13 - Murder Mystery Book Club 7-8pm at WPL - The Night House by Jo Nesbo

November 18-19 - ILF Annual Conference - Library will be closed. We'll be back the 20th with all sorts of new ideas for the library!

November 20 - Old Favorites Book Club 7-8pm - Brave Men by Ernie Pyle.

November 22 - Holiday Walk & Festival of Trees 5-8pm. WPL will have a Christmas Story tree, activities and goodies!

November 25 - K-5th Grade Bead Craft 4:30-5:30pm Axolotl Keychain, Snakes or Bracelet

November 27 - 6th-12th Grade Bead Night 6-8pm

November 28 - Thanksgiving - Library closed

## GINGERBREAD HOUSE WORKSHOP

The culinary team at Heritage Pointe will be leading a Gingerbread house decorating class to help you get ready for the Warren Holiday Walk and Festival of Trees Gingerbread House competition!

This festive event is all ages and open to the public. Each participant will receive a pre-assembled gingerbread house, a wide variety of candy for decorating and a box for sale transportation home.

One student per gingerbread house, please! RSVP now - limited spots available!

November 14th 5:30pm. \$25 prepayment required to reserve your spot

Please RSVP by November 4. To register and arrange payment, email [warreninfo@ummh.org](mailto:warreninfo@ummh.org) or call 260-375-2201, ext. 4239.

## MASTER GARDENER PUBLIC FORUM

The Huntington County Master Gardeners will hold a public forum on Thursday November 7 at 6:30 p.m. in Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall at the Huntington County Fairgrounds (631 E Taylor St.). Volunteers will present "Make It - Take It." There will be no charge. Participants will have the opportunity to make four holiday crafts. Any youth attending under 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Information on the Spring 2025 Master Gardener Basic Training class will be available. Sessions will be held on Thursday afternoons from March 6 through May 29.

Please RSVP by calling the Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office - 1340 South Jefferson St. at 260-358-4826

## HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

The 2nd Annual House Decorating Contest in Van Buren is coming soon.

Van Buren's Little Town of Christmas will be held December 6 & 7 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Anyone within the Van Buren Town Limits or Eastbrook North School District, interested in participating in the Little Town of Christmas by decorating their property can sign up at the Town Hall

or contact Denise Beck or Dusty Morgan on Facebook. Decorating must be completed by Wednesday, November 30th at 5 p.m.

Voting will occur during Little Town of Christmas on December 6 and 7 from 6-8pm at the Harvest House Food Pantry. Votes are 1 cent each. Money collected will be given to the fund to buy Christmas for Van Buren families.

The top three homes getting the most votes will be awarded a prize from local businesses. Prizes will be awarded Saturday, December 7 at 8pm.

## SHIRT SALE

Order your Lightning 5 and Historic Warren Main Street T-Shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies online through Bad-Apple Graphics Store. Find links of the Historic Warren Main Street Facebook Page.

Stop by the Warren Pharmacy and look through the catalog which has been printed out for your viewing.

## ARTS & CRAFTS MARKETPLACE

The Salamonie Summer Festival will sponsor their 2nd annual Arts & Crafts Marketplace.

This will be held on Saturday, November 9th from 9am to 2pm at the Knight Bergman Center, 132 N Nancy St, Warren, IN.

Vendors include: Wooden items, signs, hand woven rugs, Christmas decor, hand stitched leather goods, pottery,

handmade cards, stamping projects, paper crafts, authors (book signing), lazer engraved items, sweatshirts, air brush art and more. Last year, a family from Georgia, who grows Pecan trees brought fresh picked Georgia pecans.

Check for signs and advertisements.

## FARMER'S ALMANAC

The Warren Pharmacy has received the new 2025 Farmers' Almanac. The almanac contains tips for gardening, farming, cooking and recipes, along with weather predictions for all of 2025. There are many helpful insights that affect your life, including "the best days to get your haircut", and the best days to fish. It also contains astronomy information about the rotation of the moon and the planets.

Best of all, it is free when you fill a prescription at the Warren Pharmacy. Extra copies can be purchased for only \$1.00.

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## Community Calendar

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

Oct 31	6-8p	HALLOWEEN - W - Trick or Treat Hours
Nov 5		ELECTION DAY
Nov 6	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC
Nov 6	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Nov 11		VETERAN'S DAY
Nov 12	6:00p	W - Town Council Meeting
Nov 12	6:30p	W - SSF Meeting @ KBC
Nov 18	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting @ KBC
Nov 20	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall

**Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wednesdays - 2 - 4:00pm at KBC;**  
**Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday - 9 - 4 at KBC**  
**These Events Can Also Be Found at [www.warrenweeklyindiana.com](http://www.warrenweeklyindiana.com)**

## AREA NEWS CONTINUED

### HONOR ROLL

First quarter honor roll for Southern Wells Junior/Senior High School is as follows:

7th Grade - High Honor - Josiah Bricker, Tenley Fiechter, McKynleigh Flowers, Laim Leas, Aubree Neuenschwander, Ellie Nochols, Harper Reynolds, Isaac VanDeman, and Abigail Zaklikiewicz.

7th Grade - A/B Honor - Rowen Bennett, Parker Bryant, Savannah Daugherty, Ryker Engle, Elsa Franks, Randy Frauhiger, Alexander Gaskill, Ayla Grove, Rowyn Hartley, Trinity McClellan, Morgan Meyer, Carly Pease, Megan Schwartz, and Tiffany Smith.

8th Grade - High Honor - Gabriella Hoffacker, Gwyneth Howell, Kyan Johnson, Lyla Lyons, Sawyer McEvoy, Olivia Newman, Lucy Palmer, Amelia Penrod, Adelyn Robles, and Grace Rockwell.

8th Grade - A/B Honor - Aubree Beavans, Brooklyn Blinn, Colton Caldwell, Landon Clifton, Madelyn Deel, Alaina Edmonds, Mack Frauhiger, Rylan Gates, Avery Geesaman, Cadence Haisley, Camryn Hamilton, Adelyn Heim, Chase Kirkwood, Logan Leas, Rylan Leas, Georgia McGalliard, David McMillan, Lyric McQueary, Aubrey Michael, Health Miller, Jacob Miller, Kylie Peterson, John Schneider, Ella Schwartz, Timothy Smith, Logan Tarr, and Brayden Williams.

9th Grade - High Honor - Adam Aulbach, Harlie Durham, Madison Grover, Sophia Heckman, Olivia Kahn, Violet McClain, Addison Miller, Evelyn Peterson, Milee Rickard, Abigail Sawin, Laren Schneider, Lanlie Simpson, Drew Steffen, Cadence Watkins, and Abrielle Zigler.

9th Grade - A/B Honor - Kaleb Boots, Kaylee Davis, Ellie DeWeese, Hunter Durham, Garrett Elzey, Lucy Fairchild, Hallie Frauhiger, Mallory Gifford, Sevoa Harris, Kameron Hawkins, Mary Huffman, Bailey Jenkins, Sarah McFarren, Bryson Michael, Keely Miller, Adalynn Morrison, Marianne Pease, Alexis Pennington, Abbie Powell, Clayton Runkle, Mia

Vanover, Allie Westfall, and Kendal Zavattaro.

10th Grade - High Honor - Joshua Aulbach, Cash Banter, Kyah Boots, Aliah Carroll, Gavin Howell, McKenna King, Carso Liddy, Sophia Meeks, Elisabeth Penrod, and Kila Shelley.

10th Grade - A/B Honor - Kinley Allred, Jayda Brown, A.J. Bryant, Kaylea Coffel, Dirk Frauhiger, Timothy Hamilton, Miranda Holloway, Landon Johnson, Samantha Kahn, Sean McClellan, Aubree Meyer, Chanie Mounsey, Gunner Murray, Reagan Needler, Lillia Paxson, Catalina Ramirez, Delinda Schortgen, Emma Shepard, and Bailey Trosper.

11th Grade - High Honor - Samuele Danieli, Peyton Ellis, Korbin Eltzroth, Jarin Frauhiger, Felipe Fuentes, Keith Gartin, Addison Gaskill, Shaylenn Geesaman, Lucas Goodrich, jonathan McMillan, Emma Parks, Gracie Reeves, Adeline Sabinske, and Emily Steffen.

11th Grade - A/B Honor - Sydney Alstoft, Kolbie Beavans, Laura Benbow, Peyton Bertsch, Chloe Enochs, Lexie Fiechter, Lilly Gartin, Caleb Gates, Jazlyn Gillum, Leeland Goodright, Lucy Hayes, Danel Isasi Escudero, Kane Jenkins, Ronan Jump, Miley Martin, Isabella Maul, Miley Michael, Anthony Mills, Hayden Morgan, Trey Slusher, Audrina Stuller, and MacKenzie Taylor.

12th Grade - High Honor - Ava Adkins, Hannah Armstrong, Lydia Baumgartner, Quinten Darling, Avery Gaskill, Alyssa Green, Tyler Grover, Colter Kiel, Owen King, Ashlie Needler, Alaina Nusbaumer, Dominic Ramirez, Brandon Reed, Collenea Reeves, Derek Rockwell and Nataleigh Zigler.

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### NEIL ARMSTRONG SPACE MUSEUM & BICYCLE MUSEUM TRIP

by Larry Ryan

On August 12, 2024, my wife and I left home at 8:20 am on a journey into neighboring Ohio. It was a mystery trip for her. Even though football season was approaching in that raucous, crazy football state, I took a chance with my bright-colored, Indiana license plates. We ventured ahead. Actually our vehicle sneaked in via Poneto, Reiffsburg, and Berne, Indiana. Hardly unseen! We drove by several Amish farms with horses grazing and clothes drying outside in the sun.

Upon locating US Highway #33 in Ohio, we passed the huge, MVP Dairy business between Mercer and Neptune. The McCarty and Vantilburg families started this operation in 2019. Their sign advertised, "Come See Our Cows." Apparently the cattle need attention! On down the road my wife spotted two white swans on a pond before I-75 Interstate, at Wapakoneta, motioned for our red car to turn north. Naturally the Neil Armstrong Space Museum exit sign was seen in our review mirror. Turned around at the next interchange and arrived in the museum's parking lot just as the doors were being opened for visitors at 10am. This address interestingly enough is 500 Apollo Drive.

Why is the museum located in Wapakoneta? Neil Armstrong was born on August 5, 1930 in this community. Due to his father's job, he lived in several different places in the state. Ohio is also the home state of several other astronauts; John Glenn was another. Their desire to fly away is evident. Neil received his pilot's license at the age of 16. He enrolled at

Purdue University on a Navy Scholarship in 1947 and received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Aeronautical Engineering from that institution in 1955. However, his schooling was interrupted prior to receiving the diploma. War intervened. He became a naval aviator during 1949-1952 and served in the Korean War where he flew 78 combat missions.

Neil made test flights in 1955 at the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory in Cleveland. In 1957, he was a National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) research pilot and made three test flights in the X-1B. It was a rocket-powered experimental airplane that was designed to evaluate flight problems during supersonic activity. One of which researched aerodynamic heating and directional control.

Neil joined NASA (descendant of NACA) in 1962. He flew on the Gemini 8 mission prior to the moon-landing voyage of Apollo 11 in 1969. This latter launch occurred on July 16 and included Command Module Pilot Michael Collins and Lunar Module Pilot Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin. Armstrong piloted the Lunar Module across an undesirable area to the so called, Sea of Tranquility landing zone on July 20. He only had 45 seconds of fuel remaining to make that happen.

In the museum's theater, a continuous video relives the events of that space mission. Of course this included Armstrong's famous phrase,

"That's one small step for man; one giant leap for mankind." Aldrin also walked on the lunar surface. Some reports say that he wanted to be the first to exit the module. The three-man crew splashed down in the Pacific Ocean on July 24th.


There was a piece of fabric and wood fragments of the Wright Brother's 1903 airplane that Armstrong took to the moon. It was a symbolic link of the 1st air flight to the 1st landing in another world. Many interesting exhibits filled the museum including a moon rock, the Gemini VIII space capsule, Apollo 11 artifacts, and three planes flown by Armstrong. One of these was the Learjet in which he set a world record.

The realistic replica of the original space suits was a full-scale, 3-D model made of fiberglass and silicon. The astronauts suits had to be heat, radiation, and small meteorite-resistant. I learned that it requires 17,500 mph to maintain an object in orbit. A table exhibit demonstrated this phenomenon, on a smaller scale of course! Any less momentum and the earth's gravity will pull it down to earth. The Apollo 11 spacecraft required a speed of 25,000 mph to reach the moon.

Outside the museum were three exhibits. One was a full-scale mockup of the Gemini reentry module. I found myself seated in it. Luckily the hatch did not close. Next to it was the Apollo Command Module. Nearby was a small monument

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### BRUSH

John Wesley Brush, 73 of Uniondale, Indiana, went to be with the Lord on October 19, 2024, surrounded by the beauty of his beloved farm. His sudden passing serves as a reminder of life's preciousness and the joy he found in all of God's creation.



Born on May 20, 1951, in Hicksville, Ohio, to Lawrence and Bivere Brush. Jack proudly graduated from Hicksville High School in 1969. He had a deep respect for a job well done, embodying "Jack of all trades" as a badge of honor earned through his relentless work ethic. Jack worked hard to build a life he was proud of.

Jack discovered his passion for horses early on, achieving his dream of owning his own farm by buying his own land in 1978 with his first wife. Together they had a son, Christopher, and daughter, Lindsay, who joined him on his journey of developing his equine dreams. Jack started training horses as a side job. Over the years, Jack worked in many positions to provide for his family but his passion and joy was always in the horse business. After a downsize at the factory he worked at, he finally decided to chase his dreams and became a full time horse trainer. In 1992, he was able to add an additional twenty-five acres to his farm and he began to build the life he had always dreamed of as he formed Bit by Bit Farms Inc.

His reputation as a gifted trainer spread throughout the community, drawing people in for lessons from miles away. Beginning in his youth, he began training horses in 4-H, and would continue on to mentor countless youth, inspiring the next generation of horse lovers. He became a professional trainer and judge, training many world champions. A walk through his home would show many trophies, buckles, awards, accomplishments, and photos showcasing the horses he

trained, owned, and showed. Jack was a member of many equine associations and clubs, including PtHA, APHA, POA, AWHHA, along with many 4-H clubs. With nothing but his name and address, people would turn up from hundreds of miles away to learn from the best. When you saw the big white barn with the green roof, you knew you were at the right place.

Jack first met Patsy Detamore M.D., the love of his life, in 2002 as he taught her children how to ride and trained their horse. A beautiful friendship developed which evolved to them dating in 2003. They had 21 committed years together, 11 of which were spent as husband and wife. Jack and Patsy continued to build their dreams together to make a life they both loved and were proud of. Tending to their garden and his family were chores he was happy to take on. They enjoyed their farm, their children, their grandchildren, their animals, and most importantly, each other.

Jack attended the First Baptist Church in Ossian, Indiana. A good husband, father, grandfather, friend, neighbor, and mentor. He was full of knowledge and always willing to lend a hand or advice.

Jack always said he would stop working when he was dead, but those who love him know he is just getting started on his to-do list in heaven. Known for his quick wit, he always had a joke ready, reminding everyone to find joy even amidst life's challenges.

Jack is preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence and Bivere Brush, brother Mancil Brush, sisters, Garcille Pieper and Lawrencine Brush.

Loving survivors include his wife and soulmate, Patsy Detamore-Brush M.D., children, Lindsay Brush and Christopher Brush, Patsy's children, Benjamin Detamore, Sharon Detamore, Samuel Detamore, and Rachel Detamore, three grandchildren, Nicholas John Brush, Matthew Lawrence

Brush, and Olivia Grace Brush, step-grandchildren, Anthony Detamore, who lived with his grandparents for 3 years, and his 3 siblings, nieces, Kim Carson, Cathleen Quezada, and Stephanie Brush, and one nephew Carl Pieper.

In honor of Jack's wishes, a memorial service will be held at a later date.

Those wishing to make a memorial contribution in Jack's honor may be made to the Wells County 4-H association.

### WALTERS

Gary Wayne Walters, 68, of Huntington, passed away on Monday, Oct. 21, 2024, at his home.



He was born on February 11, 1956, in Huntington County, to Rex Franklin Walters and Dorothy (Money) Wixon.

Gary married Bernadette Mayotte on October 23, 1987, at Plum Tree Church of Christ.

He worked for the city of Huntington at the landfill and ran it for many years.

Gary loved anything involving tractors, including tractor pulls, tractor shows, collecting tractors and rebuilding tractors and horses.

There weren't many times in his life that you would see him without his bib overalls and hat on.

Gary's family will forever cherish the memories made together, so go rest high on that mountain, son your work on earth is done.

Loving survivors include his wife of 37 years, Bernadette Walters; children, Mindy (Chris Coleman) Bowman, Ian (Julia Grover) Walters, Jacqueline (Heath) Mayotte-Worster and Daniel (Bernice LaFever) Mayotte; 14 grandchildren; so many others that looked up to him as "grandpa;" one great-grandson; brother, Jay Dee Walters.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember on Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Glancy-H. Brown &

Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren.

A graveside service will follow visitation at Star of Hope Cemetery, Huntington, where Jeff Diamond will speak.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the family to assist with expenses.

### BUMGARNER

Richard "Dick" L. Bumgarner, 94, of Bluffton, passed away Friday morning, Oct. 25, 2024, at Parkview Randallia Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Richard was born in Huntington on Nov. 25, 1929, to Joseph and Marie (Dunn) Bumgarner. He married Marylou Johnson in Bluffton on Aug. 12, 1951. She preceded him in death on March 23, 2018.

A 1947 graduate of Union High School in Wells County, Richard retired from Franklin Electric in Bluffton after over 34 years of service. He was also a lifelong farmer in Wells County and also operated Bumgarner Greenhouse in Bluffton, alongside his wife, from 1968 until 2017.

Richard was a past member of the International Order of Oddfellows and served as a local Boy Scouts leader for a few years. He was an avid bowler and was a member of the Bluffton Bowling Association Hall of Fame, where he also served as secretary for many leagues. He and Marylou loved to travel together, especially to Minnesota on fishing trips. They both also enjoyed taking care of the downtown Bluffton flowerpots for many years.

Survivors include three sons, Steve (Jill) Bumgarner of Fort Wayne, Michael (Sharlene) Bumgarner of Edwardsburg, Michigan, and Keith Bumgarner of Grant, Michigan; a sister, Shirley Shoemaker of Sun City Center, Florida; four grandchildren, Carri (Ron) Haller, Kelli Bumgarner, Jordan (Jennifer) Bumgarner and Haley Bumgarner; along with six great-grandchildren, Kaylee, Brayden, and Adelynn Haller,

and Eve, Sadie, and Josephine Bumgarner.

In addition to his parents and wife, Richard was preceded in death by a brother, Leo Bumgarner; a daughter-in-law, Karen Bumgarner; a granddaughter, Kate Bumgarner; and his stepfather, Paul Line.

Visitation will be Friday, Nov. 1, 2024, from 2:00 until 7:00 p.m., at Goodwin – Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 10:30 a.m., at the funeral home, with one hour of visitation prior to the service. Chaplain Gerald Moreland will officiate. Burial will follow at Mossburg Cemetery of rural Liberty Center.

Memorial contributions may be made to Friends Who Care Cancer Relief Foundation or the Wells County Friends of the Shelter.

### COOK

Eileen Helen Cook, 84, of Bluffton, passed away Sunday morning, Oct. 27, 2024, at Markle Health & Rehabilitation Center.

Eileen was born in Adams County on Oct. 20, 1940, to Joseph and Anna (Isch) Steffen. She married Kenneth L. Cook in Warren on Jan. 3, 1994. He preceded her in death on Jan. 8, 2005.

Eileen graduated from Bluffton High School in 1958 and for 17 years she was employed at The Dutch Mill restaurant; her pies and rolls were divine. She later worked at Peyton's Northern in Bluffton for another 10 years. Eileen attended the Bluffton North Apostolic Christian Church.

Eileen was also a very talented artist and drew her inspiration from nature. She particularly enjoyed painting barns that dot the Indiana landscape. She also enjoyed reading, singing hymns, sketching, visiting with family and friends, and bird watching.

Survivors include a son, Tim (Dawn) Williams of Markle; a daughter, Sheri (Don) Smith of Columbia City; a sister, Ellen

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Geisel of Bluffton; a grandson, Ryan (Miranda) Smith; along with three great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, Eileen was preceded in death by a sister, Dorothy Terhune; and a granddaughter, Caitlin Williams.

Private burial will be held at the Apostolic Christian Cemetery in Adams County.

**ROGERS**

 Walter Lewis Rogers, 84, of Huntington, IN, passed away in the early hours of Saturday, October 26, 2024, at Parkview Hospital Randallia in Fort Wayne, IN.

He was born on Saturday, April 20, 1940, in Dunkirk, OH to the late Rev. Walter & Mary M. (Markley) Rogers.

Walt was a 1958 graduate of Lancaster High School. He was a proud US Army Veteran, serving in Korea 1963-1966, as a SP5 Armor Tank driver. Walt was a Union Barber beginning in the 1960s and held his license up to his passing. Over the years Walt learned many trades such as orthopedic tool & die, and Commercial HVAC. He retired from Glenbrook Square Mall, where he worked as a Power Plant Supervisor and later re-entered the workforce as a Facilities Manager at Science Central, both of Fort Wayne.

He was preceded in passing by his parents and sister, Mary Grace Johnson, Huntington, IN. Survived by his two sons: Timothy R. Rogers (wife, Michelle) of Winona Lake and Stephen M. Rogers (wife, Amy) of Warsaw. He also leaves behind five grandchildren: Courtney Wallen, Brittony Rogers, Ariel Rogers, Morgan Kerns (husband, Josh), and Zoe Rogers. In addition to his grandchildren, Walt is survived by eight great-grandchildren.

Services are pending, check back for services times. Inurnment will take place at Lancaster Cemetery in rural Huntington County, Indiana. Arrangements have been entrusted to Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in

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inscribed with the names of astronauts who did not survive their space travel. One of those was a Mitchell, Indiana native, Virgil "Gus" Grissom.

Two statues of Armstrong were outside. I stood beside the upright Neil for a photo. I looked like a dwarf. My wife chose to be seated beside him on a bench.

**SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS**

by Russell Gloor, National Social Security Advisor at the AMAC Foundation, the non-profit arm of the Association of Mature American Citizens  
**Ask Rusty – About Signing up for Social Security and Medicare Part B at 70**

Dear Rusty: I just turned 69 years old in August 2024 and am still working full time. I signed up for Medicare Part A but, it is my secondary insurance because I have great health insurance through where I work. My wife is retired and has Medicare Part A but, is on my insurance also, and she is taking Social Security. Our plan is for me to work until August 2026 when I'll be 71. I'll file for Social Security when I turn 70, and bank all of it for a year until I retire. That is money we plan to use for travel and fun things. I have three questions: when should I file for my Social Security so it starts in September; when do my wife and I file for Medicare Part B (with a supplement) so it starts in September; and are there negative tax implications to this plan that I haven't thought of?  
Signed: Needing Info

Dear Needing Info: Sounds like you have a great strategy planned for your personal Social Security benefits and your Medicare Part B enrollment for both of you. To your questions:

If you will be 70 in August 2025, you can apply for Social Security about 3 months prior (e.g., in May 2025). Just be sure to specify that you wish your SS benefits to start effective with

the month of your 70th birthday. Signing up a few months early is perfectly okay – you will indicate your desired benefit start date on your application, and that is when SS will start your benefits. Remember, SS pays benefits in the month following the month earned, so your first payment will be received in September 2025 (on the 2nd Wednesday if you were born before the 11th of the month).

As for Medicare Part B coverage for you and your wife, both of you can enroll in Medicare Part B a couple of months prior to you leaving work, but request that Medicare Part B coverage starts in the month your work coverage ends. In other words, you can enroll in Medicare before you retire from work but request that your Part B coverage starts in the first month your employer coverage ends (to avoid any gap in healthcare coverage). Obviously, you should begin your private supplemental healthcare coverage to coincide with the start of your Medicare Part B coverage.

Regarding the tax implications, just be aware that a portion of your received Social Security benefits become taxable income if your Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) as a married couple exceeds certain thresholds. FYI, "MAGI" is your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) on your tax return, plus 50% of your received SS benefits, plus any non-taxable interest you may have had. If you file your taxes as "married/jointly" and your MAGI is more than \$32,000, then 50% of the SS benefits you receive during the tax year becomes taxable income, or if your MAGI as a married couple is over \$44,000 then up to 85% of the SS benefits received during the tax year becomes taxable income (at your normal IRS tax rate). Income tax on SS benefits occurs when your MAGI is over the thresholds for your tax filing status, so you should plan accordingly. If your MAGI will be consistently over these thresholds after you retire from working, you may choose to have income tax withheld from your SS benefits, which is easy to

do by submitting IRS FORM W-4V to your local Social Security office.

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**WHAT YOU PROJECT YOU RECEIVE**

by Bryan Golden  
Do you know anyone who always seems to have bad luck? Nothing ever goes right for them. Conversely, have you observed people who always wind up OK despite what befalls them?

What differentiates these two types of people? Their attitude, thoughts and actions are as different as day and night.

You are a magnet. Your attitude, thoughts and actions determine what you attract. Like attracts like. If you are negative, rude and inconsiderate, this is what you will attract. If you are positive, upbeat, courteous, caring and considerate, you will attract the same.

The effects of your actions always come full circle. How you treat others will determine how you are treated. You never know how long it will take, but what you project is invariably returned to you.

When you're feeling bad, annoyed or frustrated, you mustn't treat others poorly in response. Doing so is like throwing a rubber ball at a brick wall; it will bounce right back at you. How does someone react if you are rude? Chances are they will be rude in return. If so, the situation will most likely escalate.

What should you do if you are not treated properly? First of all,

don't respond in kind. If you do, you allow yourself to be drawn into the other person's problem, which will have a negative impact on you.

If someone mistreats you, resist the temptation to get even. Their actions will come back to them; it's inevitable. If you try to retaliate, you get caught in a negative cycle and your actions will have a detrimental effect on you.

Think before you speak or act. Monitor and be aware of your attitude, feelings and actions. Behave in the same way you want to be treated. This is particularly difficult when someone is treating you poorly. You will be amazed at how your "luck" changes when you change the way you act.

Smile regardless of how you are treated, what is happening or how you feel. Smile, especially when you don't feel like it. It's hard to feel bad when you smile. Transforming a frown into a smile instantly changes what you project.

Treat everyone with respect and always thank those who help you. All people want to be appreciated. A sincere thank you invariably makes a person feel good. Don't tell people to do things, ask them. Even if you are in a position of authority, you will get a better response if you ask rather than tell.

Endeavor to help others whenever possible. When offering your assistance, don't do it with the expectation of getting something in return. Only through unconditional generosity will you put good things in motion that will ultimately be returned to you.

A change in attitude and approach always precedes a change in situation. If you think that you will feel and act better when things improve, you will be waiting for a very long time. To be successful, act successful. To be happy, act happy. To be treated well, treat others well.

You can never know when, where or how, but you will receive what you project.



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