

TODAY'S VERSE

Proverbs 1:7 *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.*

FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Pastor William Pike gives a heavenly smile while visiting with guests of the United Methodist Church in New Market. Thank you for your smile, Pastor Pike!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Mark your calendars for the weekend of Jan. 28-30 if you want to go on an Eagle watch! For more than 15 years, Turkey Run State Park, Turkey Run Inn, and the Friends of Turkey Run & Shades State Parks have been hosting Eagles in Flight Weekend. This annual event started back when seeing bald eagles in western Indiana took timing and looking in the right places. Now, bald eagles have recovered, and their population is growing. Although seeing one may not be as challenging as in the early days, this event has much more to it than our national symbol. Tickets are available online while they last.

2 Oh, one more thing from Turkey Run. On Feb. 12, they are highlighting the Mating Game! Springtime brings lots of bird songs and frogs calling. Fall is when the rut begins for white-tailed deer. Both natural occurrences are due to animals looking for a mate. Hear all about animal reproductive strategies during Turkey Run State Park's Nature's Mating Game. Enjoy dinner, desserts, a cash bar, and a glimpse at the adult side of the natural world. Tickets available online while they last.

3 The Indianapolis Home Show is scheduled for Jan. 21 to the 30th, and tickets run \$15 at the door. Think your friends at The Paper of Montgomery County will have tickets? Stay tuned. In the meantime, get ready for a great show. Mina Starsiak from HGTV's Good Bones will be on hand, and the Centerpiece will once again be a home constructed inside the Indiana State Fairgrounds by Fischer Homes. Doors open at 10 a.m. each day and close at 8 p.m. most days, with the exception of Sundays that close at 5 p.m.

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Ask Rusty - I have Medicare Advantage - Why is a Medicare premium deducted from my Social Security?

Dear Rusty: My wife and I have a Medicare Advantage Plan, and we do not use Medicare for our claims. However, we still have the Medicare premium deducted from our Social Security checks. Is this correct?
Signed: Wondering

Dear Wondering:

If, after age 65, you choose to take Medicare outpatient coverage of any kind you must pay that Part B premium, even if you decide to acquire a Medicare Advantage plan instead of using "original Medicare" to administer your healthcare claims.

Medicare Advantage plans (often referred to as Medicare "Part C") are healthcare plans offered by private insurers who will administer your healthcare claims instead of the Federal Government. But you cannot get a Medicare Advantage plan without first being enrolled in Medicare Part A (inpatient hospitalization coverage) and



ASK Rusty
Social Security Advisor

Social Security Matters

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Part B (coverage for outpatient services) and paying any associated Part B (and perhaps Part A) premium.

As you know, you pay a low premium (or perhaps no premium) for your Medicare Advantage plan. That's because the Part B premium you are now paying from your Social Security is actually going to your Medicare Advantage plan provider, enabling them to offer you equivalent coverage at little or no additional cost. Some Medicare Advantage plans even provide added coverage which Medicare Part B doesn't, such as

dental and vision and, sometimes, prescription drug coverage. If that all sounds enticing, remember that Medicare Advantage plans usually also include restrictions on which medical service providers you can use, unlike "original Medicare" which permits you to use any medical service provider who accepts Medicare (nearly all).

So, when you see or hear a Medicare Advantage provider advertising "no cost" or "very low cost" coverage, recognize that they can offer that only

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Can 'adaptogens' relieve stresses from COVID-19?

by John Grimaldi
Editorial contributor for the Association of Mature American Citizens

The world has been in a state of extreme stress for nearly two years now since the breakout of the COVID pandemic. Sadly, there appears to be no end in sight. We may not be able to do anything about the cause but, perhaps, there is a way to deal with the effects by adapting to the stressors, not in a psychological way; rather by ingesting aptly named herbal medicines called adaptogens. Of course, before you begin self-medicating, whether the drug is a natural medication or a chemical-based medicine, it's important that you consult your healthcare provider.

Lest you think somebody came up with the "adaptogens" moniker to mask a 21st Century version of snake oil, think again. Or, at least, consider how the experts at the National Institutes of Health came to the conclusion that they might just be what the doctor orders in dealing with stress: "Adaptogens were initially defined as

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A promise is a promise, and you promised to exercise more this year

by John Grimaldi
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So your kids got you to promise to exercise more in 2022 during the festivities of the holiday season. You couldn't resist. After all, you agreed because you love them but now you either disappoint them and take it easy or convince yourself to give it a try. Come on, you can do it whether you turn 60, 70 or even 80 years of age this new year, says Rebecca Weber, CEO of the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC].

"No one's telling you to go to Olympic extremes. All you have to do is the basics such as going for a 15 to 30 minute walk every day. Once you get used to it, you're bound to up the ante and start doing things like carrying a pair of dumbbells on your outings. Pretty soon you'll find yourself doing sit-ups and push-ups. But be sure not to go to extremes, particularly if you have health issues. In fact, it is best to have a chat with your health care provider before you begin

your exercise routine," Weber advises.

The National Institute on Aging [NIA] recommends that you take it slow at first. You don't want to overdo it. Over-exercising - particularly at the outset - can make you want to quit, or worse, cause injury.

The right way to get started, according to the NIA, is to:

- Begin your exercise program slowly with low-intensity exercises.
- Warm up before exercising and cool down afterward.
- Pay attention to your surroundings when exercising outdoors.
- Drink water before, during,

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SSS tops 15K

Crawfordsville High School and Tri Kappa Sorority Sunshine Society Cheer Campaign has completed its sixth week. This community outreach program raised more than \$20,000 a year ago and has set a goal of \$15,000 this year.

Anyone may donate. Some donations are anonymous, some are in memory of family or friends.

The Paper of Montgomery County and other media will publish lists with the names of the donations. It's important to note that all donations stay in this community.

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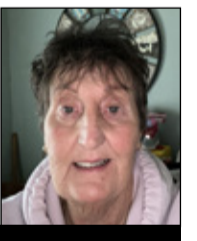
Photo courtesy of Joyce Fitzwater

Christmas Dinner 2021

The 2021 Montgomery County Community Christmas Dinner was a huge success. In total, we served over 1100 meals, about 850 were home delivery.

We were very happy to again be able to serve in our nicely decorated dining hall and once again had a visit from Santa Claus.

He was happy to see everyone and give out some nice Christmas presents.



JOYCE FITZWATER
Guest Column

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HONEST HOOSIER

Not sure how much help the Colts need, but they clearly need some. Sing it, Duke!



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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you can't fall asleep within 20 minutes of going to bed, get out of bed, go to another room and do something boring until you get sleepy. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



OBITUARIES

Richard P. Smith
Edward (Ed) E. Larson



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The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank Tricia Stanley of Crawfordsville for subscribing!



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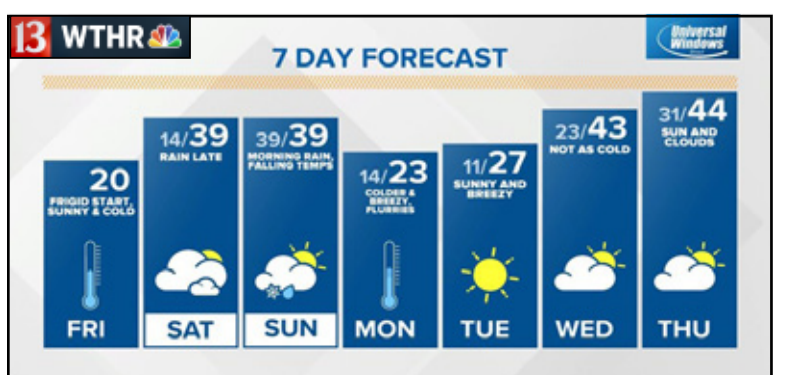
It's a new year, so don't forget to visit the wonderful Athens of Indiana Arts Gallery when it reopens in February! For now, the wonderful gallery that truly enriches our community is closed. Get ready for the big re-opening and February hours of noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Remember, be a PART of it all at 113 N. Washington St. in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville!

TODAY'S QUOTE

"It is never too late to be what you might have been."
George Eliot

TODAY'S JOKE

The good news is that senior citizens get free computer support. The bad news is that their 6-year-old grandchild has an early bedtime.



Births

A son, Asiah Ray Jackson, was born at Witham Health Services in Lebanon to Olivia and Cody Jackson on January 6, 2022. The baby weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

This is the couple's first child.

Maternal grandparents are Jennifer Jackson of Crawfordsville and Casey

Jackson of Waynetown. Paternal grandparents are Amanda Jackson of Crawfordsville and Donny Jackson of Crawfordsville. Maternal great-grandparents are Giny Peterman of Crawfordsville and Robert Peterman of Crawfordsville. Paternal great-grandparents are Karen Livingston of Avon.

OBITUARIES

Richard P. Smith

Sept. 9, 1935 - Jan. 4, 2022

Richard P. "Red" Smith, Crawfordsville, passed away Tuesday night at Franciscan Health Lafayette East. He was 86.

Born Sept. 9, 1935 in Waveland, he was the son of Hubert Clyde Smith and Margaret Jeanette McIntyre Smith Hays.

Mr. Smith graduated from Waveland High School. He served eight years in the Army Reserve and he worked for 46 1/2 years at R.R. Donnelley. He was a member of the Moose and Eagles. He liked to hunt birds and play golf.

He married Nancy Carolyn Fink on Oct. 9, 1955 in Crawfordsville. She passed away June 20, 2019. He married Carolyn Fischer Smith on Nov. 16, 2019. She survives.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Smith; four children, Donald G. Smith (Mary), Dianna L. Billingsley (Donnie), David W. Smith (Lee Ann) and Dawn M. McDaniel (Lance); eleven grandchildren, Jason, Kyle, Kyle, Jared, Tel, Madison, Erica, Brooke, Kaleb, Konnor and Angelia; eleven great-grandchildren.

Private family services will be held Saturday, Jan. 8th at Burkhardt Funeral Home, 201 W. Wabash Avenue, Crawfordsville. Burial will follow at Old Union Cemetery, north of Waveland.

Donations in memory of Red Smith may be made to Mooseheart, 155 S. International Drive, Mooseheart, IL 60539 or Moosehaven, 1701 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073. Online condolences may be made at www.BurkhardtFH.com.

Edward (Ed) E. Larson

Oct. 13, 1957 - Jan. 3, 2022

Edward E. Larson, known as Ed, Eddie, or Big Ed to those he loved, passed away suddenly in his home in Crawfordsville, Ind. on Jan. 3, 2022 at the age of 64.

Born on Oct. 13, 1957 in East Chicago, Ind., he was one of five children to parents Guy and Margaret Larson.

He graduated from Lake Central High School in St. John, Ind. in 1975.

He worked at Larson Realty in Lake County, Ind. with his parents, and then at the steel mill before moving to Las Vegas. When he returned to Indiana in the 1990s, he moved to Crawfordsville and became the Course Superintendent at the Crawfordsville Country Club, a position he's held proudly for 25 years. He loved the club and became friends with many of the members. He had a positive influence on the young people who worked for him and in the lives of the many people he befriended. He loved horse-racing, sports, bingo, music and watching his children and grandchildren grow into compassionate, kind, and hard-working people. He cared about many people and wanted what was best for everyone he knew. He will be missed by many.

Survivors include his son, Anthony Krupa-Larson (wife, Andrea Szostek-Krupa) and grandson, AJ Krupa, of Granger, Ind.; son, Brandon (wife, Jenny) Barkley, and grandchildren, Evelyn, Virginia and Luke Barkley of Jackson Hole, Wyo.; sister, Sue Nagy (nephew, CJ Nagy; niece, Becky Nagy; great-niece, Suzie Wellin (Bryce Wellin)); brother, Mike Larson (nieces, Christen Thompson, Kim Larson-Casey; nephews, Craig Larson (wife, Meghan) and Eric Larson (wife, Carrie); and many great nieces, nephews and cousins. Surviving friends include: Jeff McCandless and Wayne Hubbard.

He is preceded in death by parents, Guy and Margaret Larson; sisters, Mary-Ellen and Roberta "Bobbie" Larson; sister-in-law, Carole Larson; and many aunts and uncles.

A celebration of life will be held at the Crawfordsville Country Club. Details will be announced as they are available. Cremation arrangements were made through Burkhardt Funeral Home.

Condolences may be made at www.BurkhardtFH.com.

Candidate Filings for 2022 Primary

Primary Election Day is May 3, 2022. Visit Indiana.gov for more information.

• County Offices
 First; Last; City; Party; Office; Date Filed
 Sherri Bentley; Crawfordsville; Republican; Assessor; 1/5/2022
 Jennifer Bentley; Crawfordsville; Republican; Auditor; 1/5/2022
 Mindy Byers; Crawfordsville; Republican; Auditor; 1/5/2022
 Jim Fulwider; Craw-

fordsville; Republican; County Council Dist. 1; 1/6/2022

Joyce Grimble; Waynetown; Republican; County Council Dist. 1; 1/6/2022
 Heather Laffoon; New Richmond; Republican; Treasurer; 1/5/2022
 Matt Nelson; Crawfordsville; Republican; County Council Dist. 2; 1/5/2022

Steve Loy; Crawfordsville; Republican; County Council Dist. 3; 1/5/2022
 • Trustee Offices

First; Last; City; Party; Office; Date Filed
 Sally Evans; Crawfordsville; Republican; Union Township Trustee; 1/5/2022

Dennis Hohlbein; Crawfordsville; Republican; Union Township Board; 1/5/2022

• State Delegates
 First; Last; City; Party; Office; Date Filed
 Jennifer Bentley; Crawfordsville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/5/2022
 Steve Loy; Crawfordsville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/5/2022
 Sally Evans; Crawfords-

ville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/5/2022

John Frey; Crawfordsville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/5/2022

Jim Fulwider; Crawfordsville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/6/2022

Dennis Hohlbein; Crawfordsville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/5/2022

Jim Johnson; Crawfordsville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/5/2022

Steve Loy; Crawfordsville; Republican; State Delegate; 1/5/2022

Witham Health Services new Visitor Guidelines

Visitor Guidelines for Witham Health Services For the safety and wellbeing of our patients and staff, Witham has implemented new visitor guidelines that went into effect on Thursday, January 6, 2022.

Everyone will be required to wear a face covering at all times and must not have any COVID symptoms. Social distancing and hand hygiene guidelines must be followed. Appropriate masks must remain in place, ensuring the nose and mouth are covered, or the privilege of visitation will not be honored.

All visitors will be screened at entry point using CDC recommended questions and should be symptom free in the past 48 hours, e.g. no sign of fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, nausea or vomiting or diarrhea.

Inpatient VISITING HOURS:

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. Daily

• Non-COVID patients will be allowed 1 adult visitor per day during visiting hours. Visitors must remain in patient's room during



visit. Visitors must sign in and out at Main Registration desk.

• End of Life (COVID and Non-COVID) 2 visitors at a time (24/7) with no COVID symptoms.

Full PPE required at all times.

Maternity Center

• 1 adult designated support person allowed. Must remain in patient's room during visit.

Outpatient Settings: Emergency Department (ED)

• Patients will be allowed 1 visitor during their ED stay. Visitor must stay with the patient at all times.

Surgery / ACS / Radiology / Lab

• 1 visitor allowed. Visitor must stay with the patient.

Extended Care Unit Please call unit at 765-485-8300 for updated visitation guidelines.

• Must screen at the desk upon entrance, wear a mask, and social distance.

• Residents in the green zone are able to have 2 visitors per visit in room.

• No children under the age of 12.

• Must go directly to resident's room.

Clinic Visits & Outpatient Services

• 1 visitor allowed. Visitor must stay with the patient.

Witham Health Services apologizes for the inconvenience to our patients and visitors, but we know the restrictions are necessary to protect and provide a safe environment for our immune-compromised patients and for our staff. The restrictions remain in effect until further notice.

About Witham Witham Health Services has served the residents of Boone and surrounding counties for over 105

years.

Witham Health Services has become a progressive, modern health care provider. We offer many of the medical services people need throughout their lifetime, right here, close to home. Whatever your health care needs are in the future, you won't have to travel far for quality care. We have offices in Crawfordsville, Frankfort, Jamestown, Lebanon, Thorntown, Whitestown at Anson and Zionsville. With our physicians, specialists, and advanced equipment and procedures, you can count on exceptional care in friendly, familiar surroundings with your family and friends nearby. If you're hospitalized, your treatment will be managed by a physician or specialist you know and trust. Our staff takes pride in providing high quality care with a caring touch. Witham Health Services is a county owned, nonprofit healthcare organization committed to improving health through excellence and personalized care. We also support the community through sponsorships, donations and partnerships that align with our Mission, Vision and Values.

Saint Mary's College names Dean's List

The following students have been named to the Saint Mary's College Dean's List for the 2021 fall semester.

Campbell Washer - Crawfordsville, IN

To earn this academic honor at Saint Mary's,

a student must achieve a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.6 on a 4.0 scale, have a minimum of 12 graded credit hours, no incompletes, and no grades lower than a C.

About Saint Mary's College: Celebrating over

176 years of empowering women to make a difference in the world, Saint Mary's College is recognized as both a visionary pioneer and an enduring innovator in the education of women. A Catholic, residential, women's liber-

al arts institution in Notre Dame, Indiana, Saint Mary's College offers more than 50 undergraduate academic programs for women as well as graduate degrees open to all. For more information, visit SaintMarys.edu.

Minnesota State Community and Technical College announces Fall '21 academic honors

Minnesota State Community and Technical College has named 555 students to its President's List and 539 students to its Dean's List for the 2021 Fall Semester.

Students on the President's List earned a grade point average of 4.0 while completing a minimum of six college-level credits and 75 percent of the courses in

which they enrolled for the semester.

Students on the Dean's List earned a GPA of 3.50 to 3.99 while completing a minimum of six college-level credits and 75 percent of the courses in which they enrolled for the semester.

Students named to the M State President's List and Dean's List are:

Erin Turner, Ladoga, IN - President's List

As a member of the Minnesota State system, M State serves more than 8,000 students in credit courses each year in 80 career and liberal arts programs online and at its campuses in Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Moorhead and Wade-

na. By partnering with communities, the college also provides workforce development services and other responsive training programs.

Minnesota State Community and Technical College is a member of the Minnesota State system and an equal opportunity educator/employer.

FAITH

INCLUDE YOUR INFORMATION The Paper of Montgomery County is asking churches to send us church news by noon on Thursday. Information can be e-mailed to: churchnews@thepaper24-7.com

The following is a listing of church services and various programs that organizations around Montgomery County have sent The Paper. If you would like to have your church information included in this free listing, simply e-mail it to churchnews@thepaper24-7.com by Monday for the Wednesday Print Edition.

There may be closures due to health concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic.

FREEDOM BAPTIST CHURCH

If you're looking for something special to do this Christmas, Freedom Baptist Church near Waveland has you covered! On Sunday morning Dec 12 at 9:30, we will be featuring acclaimed jazz pianist Luke Gillespie in a free concert of Christmas music. Gillespie is Professor of Jazz Studies at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music and has performed with David Baker, Buselli-Wallarab Jazz Orchestra, Sylvia McNair, Ann-Margret, Arturo Sandoval, and many others. Stick around for coffee and donuts following the program. Freedom Baptist Church is on SR 234 west, just minutes west of the intersection at SR 234 and SR 47. You won't want to miss this!

NEW MARKET CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Church News for Saturday, January 8, 2021 from New Market Christian Church

The Sanctuary as well as the Drive-in Parking Lot are open for Worship held at 10:00 am. Tony Thomas will speak on "Live Passionately". His text is from Psalms 90:12.

SUNDAY SCHOOL begins at 9:00 am. COFFEE & DONUT FELLOWSHIP is at 8:30 am the first Sunday of each month. The next fellowship is February 6.

The worship service and Sunday school are open to everyone. Masks are encouraged.

NEW MARKET FIRST BAPTIST

First Baptist Church of New Market will meet in Hampton Hall for their Christmas program at 10:00 a.m. We will be showing off our talents during this time. The Lord's Closet will be open this Saturday for the last time this year. We will be open from 9:00-10:00 a.m. Every thing is FREE and donations are accepted at this time. Everyone is welcome to attend. We are located at 102 S. First St, in New Market,.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sundays: Worship (Casual Traditional/Family Friendly/Childcare) - 10:15 am, Adult Faith Learning/Sunday School - 9:15 am, Good News Cafe - 9:15 am, Wednesdays: WOW! - Mid-week Youth Program (Grades 1-12) - 4:30 - 7 pm, Faith Learning and Dinner, Rev. Daria Goodrich, We are located at 211 S. Walnut St. Crawfordsville IN 47933 Telephone: 765-362-4812

YOUNG'S CHAPEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

If contemporary worship is not your preference, then you Might want to visit us. A small country Bible based church made up of very friendly, compassionate, loving people. A church where everyone knows everyone's name. You will be warmly welcomed here. Why not try us out? 4527 North 200 East, Crawfordsville Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 am.

WOODLAND HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Woodland Heights Christian Church
468 N Woodland Heights Drive
Crawfordsville IN 47933-9689
Telephone Number: 765-362-5284
Fax Number: 765-362-6641
Lead Minister: Tim Lueking
Associate Minister: Steve Wilke
Worship Minister: Wayne Wilkinson
Youth Minister: Bryson Feese
Worship Service Times for Sunday:
Traditional service at 8:15a.m. & Contemporary service at 10:30a.m. All Sunday School classes at 9:30a.m., Children's classes for birth to 5th grade at 10:30a.m. All services will be streamed live on our live.whcc.us platform, Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter.
Refresh Your Faith - Matthew 9:35-38

NEW MARKET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Reverend William "Bill" Pike Office: 765-866-0703 email: bill.pike@nmcc.org. Please come join our small town church for a friendly church service using hymnals and the rituals of church that you grew up with. 101 East Main Street, P.O. Box 326, New Market, IN 47965. Office Phone: 765-866-0703 www.newmarketumc.org Facebook.com New Market United Methodist Church Indiana Open Hearts--Open Minds--Open Doors Sunday School 9:30 and Worship Service 10:45



Southside Church of Christ

153 E 300 South • Crawfordsville
southsidechurchofchristindiana.com

Sundays:
Worship at 10:30 am

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 pm



One Way Pentecostal Apostolic Church

802 Mill St. • Crawfordsville

Pastor Steve Lee and his wife, Tamara, invite you all to their spirit-filled church

Services

Sunday at 2 pm

Wednesday Evening Bible Study
7 pm

Saturday evening
(speaking spanish service)
at 7 pm

Hickory Bible Church

104 Wabash • New Richmond

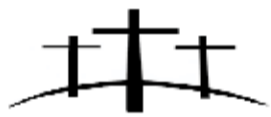
Sunday Services:

Breakfast and Bible - 9:30

Church - 10:30

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**Dr. Curtis Brouwer, Pastor
765-918-4949**



Christ's United Methodist Church

Pastor Dirk Caldwell
(Dr. David Boyd, Interim)

We're here and we can hardly wait to see you Sundays at 11 a.m.!

*We are currently observing current COVID Protocols
Mask not required if you've been fully vaccinated.
Mask still required until you are fully vaccinated.
Not ready to shed the mask? We respect your decision.*

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Click the video tab, then the Livestream Link

-----or-----
Watch us on our FB page



New Market Christian Church

300 S. Third Street • New Market
(765) 866-0421

Dr. Gary Snowden, Minister

Sunday Worship at 10:00 am
in the Family Life Center
(Masks Encouraged)
or in the Parking Lot Tuned to 91.5 FM
No Sunday School at This Time

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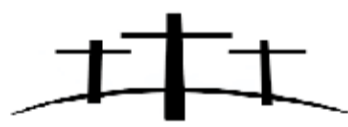
Thursday night at 6:30
Sunday mornings at 10:30

Both services are streamed



Church Service at 10 am

124 West Elm Street • Ladoga
(765) 942-2019
ladogachristianchurch@gmail.com
www.ladogacc.com



Liberty Chapel Church

Phil 4:13

Church Services:

Sunday School 9 am

Church 10 am

Wednesday Children's Awana
Program
6 pm-8 pm



Linden United Methodist Church

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

Sunday Worship 10:00 AM
in person or on Facebook at
www.facebook.com/LindenUnitedMethodistChurch

Sunday School 9:00 AM

Pastor Clint Fink

Email: lindenum@tctc.com

Website: lindenumchurch.org

*"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for
the transformation of the world."*



Friendship Baptist Church

1981 West Oak Hill Road • Crawfordsville

Romans 15:13

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Sunday school 9:30 am

Church 10:30 am

Wednesday Bible Study 4 pm



Garfield Apostolic Christian

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Services

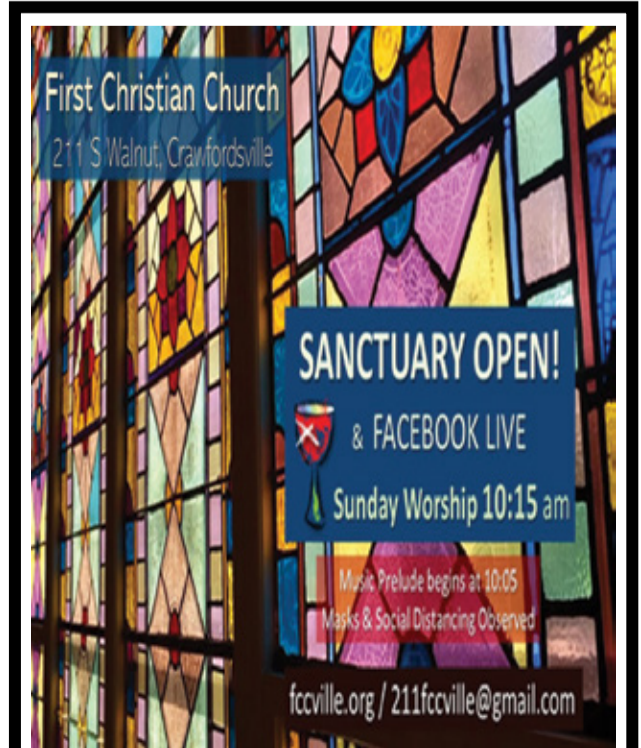
Sunday at 10 am

Tuesday Prayer Meeting

6 pm - 7 pm

Thursday Bible Study

6:30 pm - 8 pm



Hoosiers deserve transparency in reporting of COVID data

For Hoosiers in every corner of the state, the response to COVID-19 has been confusing, frustrating, and for many financially costly.

One of the most common complaints is the lack of transparency tied to the decision-making of officials at all levels of government.

As published in an Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) journal in February of last year, confusion has surrounded “whether people die ‘of’ COVID-19 or ‘with’ COVID-19.” The journal noted a case in which a man significantly ill from terminal cancer entered a hospital while also infected with COVID-19 and later died. His death was recorded as a COVID-19 death statistic.

A local Orlando TV affiliate found a man who died from a motorcycle crash was tested and found to also have COVID-19. His death was recorded as a COVID-19 statistic until TV coverage caused it to be reversed.

The same AAMC medical journal article quotes the chief medical officer for Indiana University Health’s South Central Region in Bloomington as saying, “It’s usually a cascade of events that lead to death — it’s



TODD ROKITA
Guest Column

not one thing,” when a person dies who has also tested positive for COVID-19.

Much of the public’s exhaustion with those who hold the levers of power comes from a lack of transparency. That is

something I tacitly acknowledged when I raised concerns over COVID-19 statistics in a recent media interview.

Regular Hoosiers lose confidence in government decision-making when there are inconsistencies and a lack of transparency in data. This is especially true if, like here, the data is so subjective in the first place. This lack of clarity leaves many to believe government officials are making decisions based more on politics than on data.

In noting these concerns, I did not attack any elected official; I did not call into question the hard work of our medical professionals in Indiana who have been dealing with the effects of this pandemic (in fact, I praised them); and I did not question the motives of everyone who has used these statistics.

What I did do is raise a con-

cern over how these statistics are created, compiled and, more importantly, how they are presented to the public. Media report after report lists numbers without any nuance or background to go with those numbers.

I learned long ago that good leadership means maintaining trust — and that trust is not given but earned. One of the most successful ways to earn the trust of Hoosiers is to install a culture of transparency in the agencies one leads.

And this trust goes both ways. As leaders, we must trust and empower our fellow Hoosiers to make their own medical decisions. As I have said publicly multiple times, including in a recent media interview, whether to get a vaccine is between you and your doctor, not the political bent of elected leaders, the media, or your boss at work.

Time and time again, Biden and his leftist government bureaucrats seem more driven by politics than science in their decision-making.

As Attorney General, I am involved in multiple lawsuits seeking to defend the liberty of Hoosiers in the face of mandate after mandate from the Biden administration, which seems to be more about ruling over the people than defeating an ongoing pandemic.

The Left and state officials

across the nation have used the guise of the pandemic — often politicizing data — to further their control and reach into the lives of Americans. Mandates, lockdowns, and school closures have all been justified by politicization of data. Many Americans are fed up with it.

Having promised during the 2020 campaign to “shut down the virus,” Biden and the Left across the country have changed the benchmarks for success as they have clearly not shut down COVID-19.

As public frustration moves against the top-down control pushed by the Left, they have changed how they approach COVID data. Most recently, the governor of New York is changing how the state counts COVID hospitalizations to note the difference between those being hospitalized because of COVID and those being hospitalized for other reasons but testing positive for COVID while at the hospital.

Los Angeles County hospitals reported “roughly two-thirds of patients” who tested positive at hospitals were admitted for something other than COVID. Even the president’s chief medical adviser, Dr. Anthony Fauci, finally admitted to MSNBC that “if you look at the children that are hospitalized, many of them are hospitalized with COVID, as

opposed to because of COVID.” It took them nearly two years too long to admit much of the data didn’t reflect the reality of the pandemic, but the distinctions being made are crucial to how we approach it.

My criticism is not limited to the Biden administration, as Americans still demand answers about the origins of COVID-19 and how the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) unleashed a deadly virus on the globe. Those in Washington have failed to deliver answers, investigate the matter, or hold the CCP accountable.

This brings me back to the questions raised about COVID data. No one is above questioning — or answering questions — especially those we have elected to represent us at any level of government. I hold myself to that standard and in doing so meet with Hoosiers daily as I move around the state. I know their concerns firsthand, and I will never hesitate to share them and help solve the underlying issues causing those concerns.

A hallmark of a republic is the ability to ask questions and seek answers from our government. Asking questions and raising concerns over -reported COVID-19 “statistics” is not about politics but about transparency. We should celebrate the drive to seek the truth.

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame band Bon Jovi announces 2022 Tour

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame band Bon Jovi announced today the Bon Jovi 2022 Tour, produced by Live Nation and sponsored by Hampton Water. The tour is scheduled for arenas this coming Spring. The show in downtown Indianapolis will take place at Gainbridge Fieldhouse on Tuesday, April 19. Tickets will go on-sale to the general public for the Indianapolis show beginning Friday, January 21 at 10:00am local time, check www.bonjovi.com for specific details on VIP packages and more. The JBJ Experience member pre-sale will begin on Tuesday, January 11 at 10:00am local time.

The band spent much of the past two years

recording and releasing new music, while also creating livestream performance content and launching Bon Jovi radio for their fans. Bon Jovi’s 2020 was one of the most critically acclaimed album releases of that year with USA Today calling it “BRILLIANT” and Associated Press highlighting the depth of lyrics within the songs that “chronicle pain, loss, fear and death from the coronavirus, police killings and mass shootings.”

Bon Jovi remains one of the most prolific and sought-after tour tickets in live music today, and getting back on tour was a top priority for the band. “We have all missed touring and we know that nothing can replace the

energy of a live show for the fans or the band,” said Jon Bon Jovi.

About Bon Jovi: Over an illustrious career spanning more than three decades since their formation in 1983, Bon Jovi has earned their place among global rock royalty and was inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame as well as the Songwriters Hall of Fame. With over 130 million albums sold worldwide, and extensive catalog of hit anthems, thousands of concerts performed in more than 50 countries for more than 35 million fans, and ticket grosses well over \$1 billion around the world in the last decade alone. Bon Jovi is the consummate rock and roll band.

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Low Wallace Study completes collection storage project

The General Low Wallace Study & Museum is pleased to announce the completion of a project to improve care of historic artifacts at the museum. Awarded in 2021 to the Low Wallace Study Preservation Society for the General Low Wallace Study & Museum, this Heritage Support Grant was provided by the Indiana Historical Society

and made possible by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. This grant for collections storage enhancement allowed Associate Director Amanda McGuire to rehouse items in the storage vault that were not properly or safely stored. Late 19th century music discs, Ben-Hur china, and many other items are now securely placed in individualized

storage compartments that protect them from damage. These items have been photographed with photos placed on the outside of the boxes to facilitate location of items and minimize the need to open boxes.

The museum also received Heritage Support Grants in 2017 and 2019 provided by the Indiana Historical Society and

made possible by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. that allowed for the restoration of several paintings in the collection.

For each of these grant projects, the artifacts selected were of critical concern because of structural issues and to provide long-term and safe care. These items were extraordinarily significant to Low Wallace and to the

story of Ben-Hur and it is important for the mission of the museum to protect and preserve these parts of the Wallace collection.

About GLWSM
The General Low Wallace Study & Museum is deeply committed to the protection and preservation of Low Wallace's legacy now and for generations to come. The museum is located

on Wallace's home site in Crawfordsville, Indiana, and is where he wrote Ben-Hur. His unique and personal Study, built in the 1890s, is a National Historic Landmark and the home of the world's largest collection of General Wallace's personal memorabilia. For more information, please visit the museum website: www.ben-hur.com.

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Montgomery County Board of Commissioners Meeting

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022
8 AM
100 E. Main Street - Room 103
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Call to Order: Board President John E. Frey
Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer
Election of Officers
President
Vice President
Consent Agenda
Approval of Claims: December 28, 2021 to January 10, 2022
Accounts Payable: & Payroll Claims:
Approval of Meeting Minutes: December 28, 2021
2022 Contracts
Treasurer's Office
Invoice Cloud - Online payment vendor. We pay ACH reject fees and pass them along to the taxpayer through an NSF added assessment on their parcel.
American Financial
Credit Services - Collection agency - no fees paid by the County. The fees are passed on to the taxpayer.

GovTech Services - An online service that works with escrow companies on amounts due on parcels. There is no fee to the County for the service. The fees are passed on to the escrow companies wanting the payment files.

The Master's Touch - Tax statement vendor. The fees have gone up some from last year. The overall increase from 2021 is \$660.14 - Total cost for service: \$5,917.34

Public Hearing - Petitioner: The Overland Group, LLC Re-Zone 2.5 acres - Agricultural to Commercial - Property is located at the southwest corner of SR47 and CR600 South with the intention to develop the property into a 10,640 square foot retail business and associated parking facilities. The Plan Commission held a public hearing on 11-24-21 and considered the Overland's request, comments by the public, the case report and comments by the Zoning Administrator and approved an unfavorable recommendation by a 6-0 vote.

Ordinance 2022-1: Request of the Overland Group and Rezoning a Certain Parcel of Land in the

South Block of SR47 from Agricultural to Commercial
2022 Commissioner Board & Commission Appointments - Commissioners will make annual appointments as well as term appointments as shown in the packet.

New Business
USI On-call Contract - Constitution Row - Pavement condition assessment - \$7,000

RQAW Contract-Road Design - RQAW is being hired to develop a preliminary design and cost estimate for the extension of Purple Heart Parkway from US 231 to Ladoga Road. Payment for the contract will be from the CCD fund.

Accepting/Rejecting Quotes for Culverts -

The Montgomery County Commissioners solicited a lump sum quote to remove an existing culvert and install pre-purchased culvert components located on CR 700 N between US 231 and CR 100 E. The Montgomery County Engineer solicited quotes from 5 contractors for the culvert project. On December 13th the Commissioners opened a quote from Conexco as being the only contractor

submitting a quote. The quote was in the amount of \$277,000. The Montgomery County Engineer recommends the Commissioners approve this quote. The Montgomery County Highway Director will use this project as a training exercise for the culvert crew in order to self-perform similar type of projects.

The Montgomery County Commissioners solicited a lump sum quote to remove an existing culvert and install pre-purchased culvert components located on CR 950 S between CR 750 W and CR 625 W. The Montgomery County Engineer solicited quotes from 5 contractors for the culvert project. On December 13th the Commissioners opened a quote from Conexco as being the only contractor submitting a quote. The quote was in the amount of \$286,000. The Montgomery County Engineer recommends the Commissioners reject this quote. The Montgomery County Highway Department will self-perform the installation of this culvert sometime in the future.

Ordinances
Resolutions
Other Business

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Scott Township Advisory Board Meeting

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Montgomery County Economic Development Commission

AGENDA
January 11, 2022 at 8 a.m.

The meeting will be January 11th, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.
104 North 3rd street, New Market.

Room 103 Montgomery County Courthouse
I. Roll
II. New Business
A. Tempur Products USA, LLC -- Project Report* - Tom Klein, County Administrator
III. Other Business
IV. Adjourn

State of the Judiciary scheduled for Jan. 12

Indiana Chief Justice Loretta H. Rush will address the Governor and a joint session of the Indiana General Assembly for the annual State of the Judiciary. The formal update on the work of the judicial branch will be held Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at 2:30 p.m. Eastern in the chamber of the Indiana House of Representatives.

The Chief Justice is required to provide lawmakers with an update on the "condition of the courts" according to Article 7, Section 3, of the Indiana Constitution. The 2022 address Indiana Courts: Fulfilling Our Constitutional Responsibilities will focus on critical work to increase public trust, strengthen

Hoosier families, improve public safety, and modernize courts.

The address will be webcast live at courts.in.gov. Indiana Public Broadcasting Stations (IPBS) will also air the address. Media organizations interested in attending should contact Kathryn Dolan, Supreme Court Chief Public Information Officer, at kathryn.dolan@courts.in.gov.

It is the policy of the Supreme Court that all Court public meetings and events be accessible to people with disabilities. Sign language interpretation will be provided. If further accommodation is needed, you may send requests to heather.falks@courts.in.gov.

➔ STRESS

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substances that enhance the 'state of non-specific resistance' in stress, a physiological condition that is linked with various disorders of the neuroendocrine-immune system. Studies on animals and isolated neuronal cells have revealed that adaptogens exhibit neuroprotective, anti-fatigue, antidepressive, anxiolytic, nootropic and CNS stimulating activity. In addition, a number of clinical trials demonstrate that adaptogens exert an anti-fatigue effect that increases mental work capacity against a background of stress and fatigue, particularly in tolerance to mental exhaustion and enhanced attention."

In other words, adaptogens are not some new concoction. In fact, its origins date back thousands of years and "is a traditional herbal medicinal product consisting of a fixed combination of

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[plant] extracts." And, according to the Healthline Website, they can increase your resistance to stress, help you deal with exhausting situations and, as a bonus, they may also help you deal with weight gain.

Leslie Korn, PhD, a Harvard Medical School-trained traumatologist, was consulted on the use of adaptogens for the Healthline report and she says that they can enhance our "ability to come into balance" - a condition that the Mayo Clinic describes this way: "Balance problems can make you feel dizzy, as if the room is spinning,

unsteady, or lightheaded. You might feel as if the room is spinning or you're going to fall down."

The Healthline report provides an example of how adaptogens work. "When we face a stressor, whether physical or mental, our bodies go through what's called general adaptation syndrome (GAS). GAS is a three-stage response: alarm, resistance, and exhaustion. Adaptogens help us stay in the resistance phase longer, via a stimulating effect that holds off the exhaustion. Instead of crashing in the midst of a stressful mo-

ment, task, or event, we attain equilibrium and can soldier on." The report goes on to suggest that you can take adaptogens as "herbal supplements in capsule form, added to smoothies as powders, or concocted into teas or soups." But it warns that you should consult with your doctor before taking any medications.

Here are a few of the most of adaptogens that are available and what conditions they may serve:

- American ginseng (Panax quinquefolius): Boosts working memory, reaction time, calmness, and immune system
- Ashwagandha (Withania somnifera): Reduces stress and anxiety
- Eluetherococcus senticosus: Improves focus and staves off mental fatigue
- Tulsi/Holy basil (Ocimum sanctum): Reduces physical and mental stress, stress-related anxiety, and depression

➔ JOYCE

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Photos courtesy of Joyce Fitzwater

This year we were overly blessed by the monetary donations from businesses and individuals!! This assured that all had plenty to eat and some nice extras for home delivery and dine in. I personally want to thank all the great volunteers this year, how you stepped up to serve your community

and make this a successful event. I would like to acknowledge some of the businesses that played a big part and hope the community will help to support these business throughout the year.

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I want to wish all a happy, healthy and prosperous 2022!! Thank You

Joyce Fitzwater, chair for Montgomery County Community Christmas Dinner

➔ RUSTY

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because the government pays them a fixed amount for your care from the Medicare Part B premium taken from your Social Security. The Part B premium you are paying from your Social Security benefit is why your Medicare Advantage plan premium is as low as it is.

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➔ SSS

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The Society campaign began 110 years ago.

Here is the next weekly report for the 2021 Cheer Certificate Campaign. So far, there has been \$15,219.07 raised.

Donations received from the following: \$100 Anonymous; \$25

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