#### **⇒ TODAY'S VERSE**

Psalm 34:18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

#### **⇒** FACES of MONTGOMERY

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Chad Hodges smiles while taking a quick break from work getting beautiful downtown Crawfordsville ready for the holiday season. Thank you for your smile, Chad!

#### **⇒** THREE THINGS You Should Know:

The Indianapolis Home Show is in full swing and if you'd like to score as many as eight free tickets), just send a selfie of your beautiful smiling face to ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com and tell us why you like The Paper. Also, be sure to let us know how many tickets you want. If we use your photo in The Paper, you win the tickets. It's that easy! The show ends Thursday so best hurry!

New York City is known for its lavishly roomy apartments for those with enough bucks to afford one. If not, there are plenty of affordable, but not so roomy, flats like the 100 square foot apartment that Axel Webber calls home, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. In fact, Webber boasts that it just might be the "smallest apartment" in all of the Big Apple. It's cramped, to say the least. But it's also relatively inexpensive, by New York City standards, at \$1,200 a month. He posted a video tour of his accommodations on social media recently and so far it has been times.

Sure, you can surf social media but where else can you find the wonderful writings of Butch Dale, Karen Zach, John Marlowe, Dick Wolfsie, Ken Thompson, the League of Women voters. Dr. John Roberts and even Tim Timmons? Why only right here on the pages of The Paper of Montgomery County! They are there bright and early every day if you subscribe to our Online Edition. It's only \$42 a year - yes, that's less than a dollar a week! Ready to join the thousands of others who have made The Paper Montgomery County's biggest? And if you do, let us be the first to say thank you, kindly!

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Since around 2005, Crawfordsville and Montgomery County residents have voted by the hundreds of thousands (and even went above 1 million

one year) for their favorite people, products and places.

To vote for all your favorites in the 2021 installment of The Paper's Readers' Choice Contest all you have to do is go to www.thepaper24-7.com and click on the Readers' Choice 2022 ad!

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#### CDPL to hold 2022 Display Reading Challenge

For our most passionate readers and regular library visitors, this year we are introducing a year-long reading challenge based on our displays!

2022 brings a new set of imaginative displays and the goal of the 2022 Display Reading Challenge is to read two books from two different library displays every month of 2022. Both the first and second floors of the library have at



EMMA LASHLEY Fresh off the Shelf

least 3 displays on them at any given time, so there are plenty of books for participants to choose from every month. The books also don't have to be physical.

if you prefer ebooks or audiobooks that is perfectly fine as long as the book choice is

featured on one of our displays. There is also no rush if you fall behind. If you miss a month you can check our previous displays online (or ask a librarian) to see which books you can choose from to catch up. This challenge is for pure enjoyment for those library patrons who want to expand their genre appreciation and try new things. We have booklets at the library

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By The Numbers, a look at what's in the news . . . by the numbers. These are just numbers, not suggestions that they mean more or less than what they are. We do not suggest that one number is connected to another. These are simply facts with no extra-

neous details, bias or slanted reporting. To borrow (and perhaps mangle a bit) a quote from legendary fictional detective Joe Friday, it's just the numbers, ma'am!



Crawfordsville Clerk-Treasurer Terri Gadd swore in new firefighter/paramedic Spencer Brown to the Crawfordsville Fire Department (CFD) after the Crawfordsville Board of Works meeting Wednesday, Jan. 12.

Athens Arts Gallery and The Art League of Montgomery County have scheduled an art exhibit featuring 2D artwork by artists that have a tie to the county, on the evening of Feb. 24 at Fusion 54 on the third floor from 6 to 8 p.m. The art will be displayed at the Government Center.

According to the

Indiana State Department of Health on Friday, that's how many Hoosiers have been diagnosed with the virus.

How many Hosiers have

died because of this pandemic.

Number of COVID-19

cases found so far in Montgomery County, according to the State Health Department.

How many people in Montgomery County who have

lost their lives to the pandemic.

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According to the CDC, that's how many Americans have been diagnosed with the virus.

How many Americans have lost their lives to the pandemic

# The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset RISE: 8:03 a.m.



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#### What Happened On This Day

- 1990 Japan launches its first lunar probe
- 1984 The Apple Macintosh computer goes on sale
- 1848 The California Gold Rush begins





#### **Births On This Day**

- 1943 Sharon Tate
- American actress • 1941 Neil Diamond American singer-songwriter

#### **Deaths On This Day**

- 1989 Ted Bundy
- American serial killer • 1965 Winston Churchill English politician

#### HONEST HOOSIER

Groundhog Day is just a week and a couple of days away. Never thought I'd say this but I'm looking forward to seeing that furry little rodent because it will mean January is in my rearview mirror!



INSIDE TODAY'S **EDITION** 

If you sit a lot at work, take walking breaks as often as you can to help keep your weight in check. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and



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#### TODAY'S HEALTH TIP





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#### THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Update from mayor, county

Don't forget that the rising COVID-19 cases in Montgomery County has pushed the State of the City / County Addresses by Mayor Todd Barton and Montgomery County Administrator Tom Klein scheduled for Jan. 27 to a virtual event. The speeches will be recorded and broadcast on radio station WCDQ at 7 p.m. on that date and will be available in podcast format so people can access them at their leisure and from the safety of their own

#### TODAY'S QUOTE

"All great deeds and all great thoughts have a ridiculous beginning. Great works are often born on a street corner or in a restaurant's revolving door." **Albert Camus** 



Part Two of what does a cow use to do math? Nothing. It's a cow.





OBITUARIES

NONE



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Monday, Jan. 24, 2022

#### Nothing is as fun as eating broccoli and breaking habits



Want **MORE**?

Carrie Classon's memoir, "Blue Yarn: A Memoir About Loss, Letting Go, & What Happens Next" is available at Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and other fine stores. Learn more at

"I bought more broccoli because I knew you were coming," my mother informed me.

You can never get enough broccoli, that is my belief.

I am lucky in that I never had to acquire a taste for vegetables out of some sort of concern for my health. I have always loved vegetables. My mother has a picture of me at three years old, sound asleep with a serving spoon in my hand. I had apparently offered to finish up the remaining peas. I did, then fell fast asleep at the table. I think I could still do that today.

My sister also loves broccoli, so I am inclined to think it was our upbringing that instilled our love of vegetables. She remembers the time when she had dinner at a friend's house as a child and realized the modest-sized bowl of broccoli was intended to feed the entire table—a bowl she could easily have eaten on her own. My broccoli-eating capacity exceeds my sister's, and this is why my mother (who prefers to buy things in small quantities) bought twice the normal amount of broccoli before my visit. We cooked it all. It was all eaten.

Eating vegetables is not something I have to worry about doing. I saw an advertisement for "vegetables in a pill" and was appalled. I have a hard time believing there is anything in those pills table but, even if there were, why would anyone want it? Eating vegetables is one of my favorite things in life.

I'm reading a book about habits right now. I hesitated to buy the book because I thought I had pretty good habits already, and I thought it would be about breaking a bunch of bad habits or training myself to eat broccoli.

But it turns out that habits are even more important than I imagined.

CarrieClasson.com. A lot of habits don't pay

off for a long time, which makes staying motivated to keep them hard. But habits will have more influence on accomplishing goals than actual goal-setting. Most of us have similar goals. Not everyone has habits that make accomplishing the goals possible.

The author suggests that, instead of celebrating big accomplishments, we should celebrate sticking to a good trajectory, staying the course, making and keeping good habits. It doesn't sound quite as exciting as celebrating a big success, but maybe that's OK because the morning after the big success usually means going right back to the boring habits that made the success possible. And that's a good thing. Especially if you like broccoli.

The year is still new, and I'm trying out some new habits. I want to read more. I want to spend less time scrolling the internet. I want to do more pushups. I want to try to learn a little more Spanish, since I'll be traveling to Mexico and I feel I've forgotten every word I ever knew. None of these activities will have any effect whatsoever if I only do them for a day or two. So I'm trying to get some new habits in my life and push out the things I'd be doing

Progress in Spanish is slow, and pushups make me tired. I usually start too late in the day to get much reading done. But I am going to keep trying.

I like the idea that getting a little stronger or a little smarter or a little more fluent might become easier with time. None of these habits will ever be as fun as eating broccoli, but that's a lot to ask.

Till next time, Carrie

Carrie Classon's memoir is called "Blue Yarn." Learn more at CarrieClasson.com.



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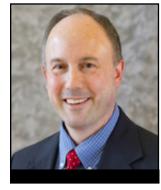
## Do you have concerning swelling in your legs? You may have venous stasis

A patient of mine came in last week suffering from swelling and pain in his legs. He was suffering from a problem that is becoming more common - pooling of blood in his legs causing unsightly enlarged veins.

To understand how vein problems develop you need a rudimentary understanding of the anatomy and physiology of the vascular system. Fresh blood that contains oxygen and nutrients is pumped from the heart to the legs via arteries. The blood then moves through very tiny blood vessels called capillaries where the oxygen and nutrients move out of the blood into the surrounding tissues. Waste products and carbon dioxide then move from the tissues into the capillaries and then into veins for the trip back up to the heart and eventually to the lungs, liver and kidneys where the waste products are removed from the body.

Venous blood has a hard time moving against gravity from the legs to the heart (unless you stand on your head). To get around this problem, the body utilizes two nifty mechanisms. The first is the contractions of the muscles in the legs that push the blood upward like squeezing toothpaste out of a tube. The second is one-way valves that prevent venous blood from moving back down toward the feet.

When you understand how the physiology of venous blood flow works, it makes it easier to understand how things can go awry. Gravity is the major obstacle to overcome. People who stand all day



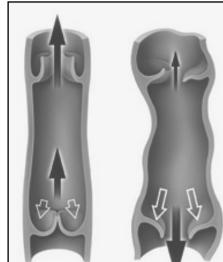
JOHN R. ROBERTS, M.D. **Montgomery Medicine** 

long are battling the force of gravity as it constantly pulls the blood back toward the feet. This is why our feet tend to swell as the day progresses. Obese individuals are more likely to develop problems since their weight puts additional force on the blood in their veins causing even more downward pressure and swelling.

People who are inactive also tend to have more problems. Since they are not walking around, they don't receive the benefit of muscular contractions to squeeze the blood upward.

Gravity causes our veins to enlarge as we age. When this occurs, the valves in the veins no longer meet to stop the downward flow and they become leaky (see diagram). This results in more blood pooling in the leg veins causing more dilation and more leaking a vicious cycle leading to unsightly varicose veins.

Pooling of blood in the legs is called venous stasis. The blood can't move upward to have the waste products removed and the leg tissues, especially the skin, become unhealthy and start to break down. This can lead to rashes and itching called "stasis



Normal valves

Abnormal valves normal flow backward flow

dermatitis" as well as ulcer formation and infections that can sometimes be very serious.

Treatment of venous stasis can be very difficult depending on the how advanced the problem is at the time a patient presents to a medical provider. Sometimes the dilated veins need to be tied off or surgically removed. Some veins can be closed by injecting them with solutions to scar them closed.

Less severe cases of venous stasis can usually be treated with compression stockings and elevating the feet above the level of the heart. The stockings provide a compressive force to counteract gravity. People who have developed rashes and ulcers may need to have medicated dressings. Response to treatment can be slow and may require referral to a specialized wound care center. Serious infections may require antibiotics and surgery. Diuretics (water pills) are not very effective at treating the root cause.

way to treat venous stasis is to prevent it in the first place. People who spend a lot of time on their feet or take long trips in planes, trains or automobiles should walk frequently or do calf pumps or toe raises to help pump the blood out of the

legs. They should also consider elevating the legs above the level of their chest on their breaks and after work. If they can't walk, they should wear compression stockings during their work shift. Good hydration is very important to keep the blood from becoming too thick that may lead to blood clot formation.

Obese people with venous stasis must work hard on weight loss in addition to the prevention strategies above. I would be remiss if I did not mention that smoking also greatly increases the risk for developing vein deterioration and slows healing. It also greatly increases the risk for tissue breakdown, ulcer formation due to decreased oxygen delivery, and promotes the formation of blood clots.

Dr. John Roberts is a member of the Franciscan Physician Network specializing in Family Medicine as well as the Deputy County Health Officer in Montgomery County.



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## **New Market Elementary 3rd Six Weeks Honor Roll**

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Character Counts (Responsibility): Charlotte Stull, Briley Malone, Addie Lindsay

High Honor Roll: Tyberius Anglin, Sylis Barnett, Alden Bray, Peyton Doss, Hudson McCandless, Audrey Porter, Amariah Pyle, Charlotte Stull, Lucille Fishero, Karleigh Johnson, Henry Jones, Elyse Langevin, Mallory Morphew-High, Nora Stetler, Oliver Vice, Derrick Ward, Vera Carrell, Eli Brown, Ace Charles, Sawyer Cohee, Sutton Cohee, Oliver Cook, Avelyn Gleason, Beckett Jones, Addie Lindsay, Henley Surface, Gage Van Dorn, Colton Watson A/B Honor Roll: Levi

Maxine Hartman, Reyna Hernandez, Liam Howard, Carley Meseraull, Brent Rector, Conner Sexton, Kaison Steiner, Zane Turner, Roran Alesi, Isla Beach, Audri Cohee, Briley Malone, Josh Rosenbaum, Nolan Rothrock, Jackson Surber, Paislie Barnes, Harmony Cheesman, Lux Highland, Stella Hughes, Sawyer O'Neal, Levi Rhodes, Katana Willhite

2nd Grade **Character Counts** (Responsibility): Marlaina Halstead, Holly Priddy, Dot Cotten

High Honor Roll: Branch Blakley, Brogan Blakley, Noah Carr, Mackenzie Bullock, Baine Franklin, McCoy Gomez, Autumn Hunt, Stella Livingston, Dot Cotten

A/B Honor Roll: Marlaina Halstead, Elizabeth Parker, Jackson Parrish,

Isaiah Smith, Riley Thompson, Eli Van Dorn, Klaeton Caudill, Caden Clark, Alexis Howard, Alex Langevin, Julien Ogle, Coree Perez, Holly Priddy, Adelle Shannon, Cyrus Cooper, Paaije Guyton, McLaren Mason, Braxton Whitlow 3rd Grade

**Character Counts** (Responsibility): Anna Lindsey, Karsyn Charles, Hillary McCandless

High Honor Roll: August Ashment, Mila Barsotti, Ryan Gilliland, Jolene Kappel, Anna Lindsey, Elouise McGaughey and Sully Roark, Kaitlyn Burkhart, Aaleeah Carrell, Karsyn Charles, Ruger Foster, Ryder Fruits, Zayden Gross, Aiyanna Haslam, Thomas Fishero, Hillary McCand-

A/B Honor Roll: Abigail Badillo, William Boots, Jett Cummins, Tori Frazier,

Joslynn Gray, Kinzlie Price, Remy Stetler, Rayleigh Thomas and Addilynn Wood, Phoebe Buckler, Adalyn Caswell, Raylan Hester, Jason Lairson, Karter Maddock, Lainey Sheldon, River Eller, James Ethington, Adalyn Hood, Colby Kessler, Presley Lesko, Charlie Moore, Corynne Morris, Rachel Reimondo, Logan Rosenbaum, Harrison Simmons, Angel Waddell

4th Grade **Character Counts** (Responsibility): Kailyn Howard, Alexa Whitlow, Charles Maddock

High Honor Roll: Lea Gregg, Kailyn Howard, Ryder Kessler, Taylor Sering, Judah Smith, Kenzie Turner, Gunnar Williams, Grant Albertson, Brolin Burris, Maddox Clark, Molly Cregger, Emily Needham, Marilyn

Prado, Eli Endicott

A/B Honor Roll: Keiarra Archer, Hudson Beach, Ailise Bradshaw, Abigail Brown, Harper Cornelius, Cole Fullenwider, Carter Harshbarger, Lorelei Hoskins, Ethan Langevin, Ryder Newkirk, Jagger Rector, David Rhodes, Andrea Allen, Maci Epps, McKinzie Stoner, Abigail Thomas, Ayden Thomas, Alexa Whitlow, Delilah Amstutz, Gracie Brown, Bolten Hagenow, Arabella Jackson, Carter Kessler, Emery Light, Tracy Long, Charles Maddock, Hadley McArthur, Oliver Pattengale, Hunter Tallman

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Character Counts: (Responsibility) Clay Sering, Briellah Halstead, Brody Tolliver

High Honor Roll: Andrew Badertscher, Elijah

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#### Meeting Notes

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Meeting Agenda Monday, Jan. 24, 2022 8 a.m.

100 E. Main Street -Room 103

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Call to Order: Board President John E. Frey Pledge of Allegiance and

Consent Agenda Approval of Claims: 1-10-22 to 1-24-22 Accounts Payable & Payroll Claims:

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Jan. 10, 2022 2022 Contracts Treasurer's Office Government Utilities Technology Service

2021 Annual Sugar Creek Advisory Board Report

**New Business** 

Commissioners' Award Appointment - Darlington Public Library Board Petition to Vacate a Portion of Old Oak Hill Road

- Schedule for Hearing Ritter Strategic Services, LLC - EMS Strategic Planning Study

Surveyor Tom Cummins - Section Corner & Regulated Drain Certification Report

Ordinances

Introduction Ordinance 2022-2 - Create 2022 VA-SIA Grant Special Condition Fund

Introduction Ordinance 2022-3 – Re-establishing the Cumulative Capital Development Fund **Introduction Ordinance** 2022-4 – Re-establishing the Cumulative Bridge

Other Business Adjournment \*Agenda subject to change\*

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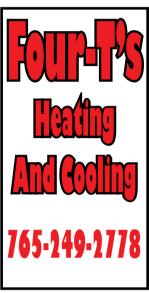
























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#### Chevrolet updates Silverado pickup ahead of all-electric version in 2024

Upon launch a few years ago at the Detroit Auto Show, the current-generation Chevrolet Silverado wore controversial exterior styling and an interior not nearly changed enough. At the same show, Ram rolled out its beautiful pickup with tablet-sized touchscreen. While the Silverado is a very good truck, Chevrolet heard the complaints and updates the truck for 2022 ahead of an all-new all-electric version for 2024.

2022 Silverado Receives Welcome Updates

The biggest angst about the Silverado was its interior. It's easy to use, but the tiny infotainment screen and monotone theme fell flat. For 2022, all trim levels from LT and above receive a wide 13.4-inch color touchscreen that puts a glassy high-tech finish to a dashboard enhanced by authentic open-pore wood trim on High Country editions. Nightshift Blue leather and stainless Bose speaker grilles glorify High Country and LTZ models. GM's Super Cruise hands-off driving system is also available on luxury High Country.

Off-road enthusiasts will want to check out the new Silverado ZR2. Taking style inspiration from the Trail Boss, it sports specific 33-inch off-road tires, reshaped bumper for enhanced approach/departure angles, and full skid plate package to protect its underbits. Special shocks better absorb rough trails and allow improved wheel articulation. Front and rear e-lockers and one-pedal rock crawling are aimed at serious drivers,

but all will appreciate the ZR2's 6.2-liter V8 that delivers 420 horsepower and 460 lb.-ft. of torque.

While impressive, we'll soon forget the ZR2 ever

2024 Silverado EV Debuts at CES

At the recent Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, Chevrolet debuted an all-electric Silverado that will arrive for 2024 to do battle with the Ford F-150 Lightning. It's built on GM's new Ultium Platform that also underpins the Hummer EV, Cadillac Lyriq, and electric version of the Equinox crossover that arrives next year.

The digits are impressive. Chevrolet claims the Silverado EV will have a 400-mile range and the ability to add 100 miles in 10 minutes on a commercial fast charger. Given 510 horsepower and 615 lb.-ft. of torque, performance is impressive as it runs 0-60 mph in 4.5 seconds and can tow 10,000 lbs. Range will be a less if fully loaded.

Styling merges a Chevy Avalanche with the Bolt EV, which means futuristic without being Cybertruck crazy. As with the Avalanche, a "midgate" between the cab and bed folds to fit longer items. GM's Multi-Flex tailgate converts to different configurations, including a convenient workbench. Four-wheel steering improves maneuverability while adaptive air suspension improves ride and off-road performance. A color widescreen head-up display and Super Cruise hands-off driving add further driver

"We had no constraints when it came to designing the Silverado EV with dramatic style and flexible utility because we didn't need to work around a traditional propulsion system," said Phil Zak, Chevrolet Design. "The Ultium Platform allowed



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us to redefine what it means to offer expansive new storage and utility possibilities."

If you want to own the first-ever all-electric Silverado, get in line now. And, be prepared to pay. The high-performance RST edition will cost \$105,000, but a Work Truck version will follow for under \$40,000. Other trim levels presumably will fall between when shipments begin during Spring 2023.

Storm Forward!

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#### **UBACK** From Page A1

Last year and once again there were more than half a million votes.

Paper readers have been voting by the hundreds of thousands for their favorite people, products and places for year and this year looks to be no

exception.

"We started the Readers' Choice Awards as a way to have some fun and let people recognize their favorite things," Paper **Publisher Tim Timmons** said. "It seems that we always hear about the bad

things. Readers' Choice is a great opportunity to point out the many, many good things and good people all over Montgomery County.'

The entire process is simple. The 2022 ballots are online at www.thepa-

per24-7.com. In addition, you can e-mail your choices to Timmons at ttimmons@thepaper24-7. com – and this can include a write-in vote in

Everyone is encouraged to vote in all categories,

any category.

and you can vote for as many or as few - or as often – as you want.

"It's a fun event," Timmons added. "Think of it like Chicago politics - vote early and vote often!"

What is changing this

year is the timing. The actual campaign will run throughout the month of February. When voting wraps up in March, the results will be announced in categories rather than all at once. Stay tuned. We think you'll like it!

#### CDPL From Page A1

that you can pick up to record what books you read, as well as your thoughts on the books. You are however more than welcome to create your list at home too!

Each month our librarians lovingly curate custom book displays based on different unique themes. We hope these displays help our visitors discover books that they wouldn't have found otherwise and introduce

them to new genres and types of books. Last year we had some remarkable and creative displays. My personal favorite was our "Literary Tour of Mars" which featured books by authors who have spots on Mars named after them (in honor of the Perseverance rover landing site being named for author Octavia Butler). I also really enjoyed our "Ergodic Literature" display which was all about books that tell a story in a nontraditional way, either through an exchange of letters, through documents, in dictionary entries, or in one case with a single letter being removed from each chapter (e.g., Ella Minnow Pea: A Novel, Fic Dun). My favorite display to curate was our time travel and time loop display because

this is one of my favorite sub-genres to read. Most of the books on this display were my own personal recommendations. Last year we even created some displays based on internet memes, like our "Bones, No Bones" and "Good Soup" Displays. Of course, we also had more traditional displays like "Whodunit? Murder Mysteries" and "Stellar

Sci-fi". We are planning to bring you even more fun and unique displays in 2022! If you would like to see what books were featured on our past displays visit our website at www. cdpl.lib.in.us, click on Econtent > Discover New Reads > Library Displays.

We hope you consider taking part in this new reading challenge and wish you an entertaining

and rewarding reading experience in 2022! Need more information? Stop at the reference desk on the second floor. You may also reach us by phone at (765)362-2242, ext. 117 or by email at ref@cdpl.lib. in.us.

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