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TODAY'S VERSE

Psalm 119:9-11 "How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word. I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." (NIV)

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People who call our community their own.



Suzy of Suzy's soaps was pitching goat's milk and other homemade soap creations in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville. Thank you for your smile, Suzy!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 The Paper still offers any Montgomery County church a free ad to let folks know what time services are, sermon topics . . . or really, anything they want. We know we are the only local paper to do so. We're hoping that if we get people together in places of worship we can begin to find some common ground that unites us, instead of focusing on what divides us? If you represent a church and would like a free ad each week in our Faith section, just e-mail ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com.

2 North Carolina State University entomologist Matt Bertone was studying bark beetle larvae when he made a surprising find: the little creatures are quite the gymnasts. According to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC], Bertone said he "noticed they would crawl for a distance and then would hop. And it was really strange, and I didn't know if I was seeing things or not." Gymnastics Podcaster Jessica O'Beirne was among the first to report on Bertone's find. As she put it, "The thing that's amazing about this jump, it's taking off from a push-up position. It basically goes from playing dead to launching itself like [Olympic gymnast] Simone Biles."

3 AARP Indiana invites local organizations and governments across the state to apply for the 2022 AARP Community Challenge grant program, now through March 22, 2022. These grants fund quick-action projects that help communities become more livable in the long-term by improving public spaces, transportation, housing, civic engagement, coronavirus recovery, diversity and inclusion, and more. Now in its sixth year, the grant program is part of AARP's nationwide Livable Communities initiative, which supports the efforts of cities, towns, neighborhoods and rural areas to become great places to live.

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Crawfordsville Fire Department revives local man



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Last week, Crawfordsville Fire Department Firefighter/Paramedic Dayna Leonard lead a dispatch call to Donald Buck's residents for difficulty breathing. First responders arrived to the scene to find Buck in respiratory distress. He later fell unresponsive and pulseless. After multiple rounds of CPR and intubation, Buck was resuscitated and spent 5 days in the hospital following the event. Buck (second from left) later paid a visit to the Crawfordsville Fire Department to thank Leonard (far right), Lieutenant Dustin Harris, and Corporal Jody Endicott (far right) for their quick work and lifesaving skills on the run. Firefighter/EMT Gavin Waddell (not pictured) was also on the run.

2021 State of the County

On behalf of County Commissioners John Frey, Jim Fulwider and Dan Guard, the County Council, our 12 other elected officials and our 242 employees, we present the 2021 State of the County.

As we enter in to the County's 200th year, we are honored to work for the people of Montgomery County - who continue to make this a great place to live and raise a family.

2021 was both a challenging year and an exciting year. Our Health Department continued its response to the COVID-19 pandemic as it coordinated the distribution of vaccines, performed testing, and advised citizens of the best ways to work through the pandemic's challenges. The Health Department coordinated over 21,000 vaccinations and performed over 16,000 tests. Community volunteers logged over 5,000

Butch's buddy almost shoots an innocent person

During most of the years that I served as a police officer here in Montgomery County, I worked the night shift. Even after I was elected Sheriff, I preferred working at night. Officers who worked in the daytime often had to take people to court, serve papers, and take reports. The nighttime hours are when many burglars, thieves, and other offenders do their thing...and I wanted to catch them!

Many times during night shifts, alarms would go off at various businesses or residences in the county, and we would have to check to see if it was an intruder or a false alarm. Ninety-nine per cent of those alarms turned out to be a malfunction or

accidental set-off by the owner, but we still had to make sure. Another officer who worked with me and took those calls on the night shift for many years was Sgt. Larry Lough. He was a good friend and very dedicated officer who I had known since childhood. Through the years we responded to hundreds of calls together, backing each other up in various situations. He had a great sense of humor and could kid around, but when the going got tough, you could always count on Larry.

Late one night, we were dispatched to an alarm going off at the Larry Cummings Olds-GMC car dealership on Lafayette Road (now Christi Hubler Chevrolet). Their business alarm had gone off several times in the last few months, but all doors were secure, and the alarm was not malfunctioning. It was a puzzling and frus-



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

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HONEST HOOSIER

John Beard Allen, a Crawfordsville native who became a U.S. Congressman, passed away on this date in 1903.



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Read to your child every day instead of sitting her in front of the TV. 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

Bobbie Jean Masters Thompson
Dorothy Sorenson Allen
Jerry Janssen
Russell "Rusty" Max Hester

The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **MARILYN O'REILLY** of Crawfordsville for subscribing!

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THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Have you voted yet?

Readers' Choice '22 has kicked off and the most popular and largest contest in Montgomery County is already hot! The Paper's Readers' Choice contest debuted more than 15 years ago and has been copied and imitated, but no one else does it as good as the folks who originated it. Weigh in by simply going to www.thepaper24-7.com and clicking on the top Readers' Choice banner! It's that easy!

TODAY'S QUOTE

"You can't be that kid standing at the top of the water slide, overthinking it. You have to go down the chute."
Tina Fey

TODAY'S JOKE

Why did Grandpa's projector cross the road?
To get to the other slide!



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OBITUARIES

Bobbie Jean Masters Thompson

Aug. 18, 1932 - Jan. 26, 2022

Bobbie Jean Masters Thompson, 89, Crawfordsville passed away Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022 at home with her family by her side.

She was born Aug. 18, 1932 in Tuckerman, Ark. to Raymond Robert and Mary Elizabeth Bowman Masters.

She earned her Masters in Education from the University of Arkansas. She worked as a teacher, Realtor and Apartment developer. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church. She had been active in the Vanity Theater, Sugar Creek Players, Red Cross, Art League and Tri Kappa Sorority.

On Dec. 22, 1962 she married Dr. Claude Thompson. He preceded her in death July 17, 2012.

Survivors include her children, Elizabeth Ann (Blake) Herrin and James Monte (Suzanne) Thompson; her sister, Mary Tinsley; and her grandchildren, Will Herrin, Andrew Thompson, Sam Herrin, Davis Thompson, Jay Herrin and Kristen Thompson.

Funeral services are scheduled on Sunday at the First United Methodist Church with Pastor Brian Campbell officiating. Visitation is scheduled 2-3:30 p.m. Sunday. A family graveside service will take place at Oak Hill Cemetery on Monday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Sugar Creek Players or the Dr. Claude Thompson Free Clinic Fund at the Montgomery County Community Foundation. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.huntandson.com



Jerry Janssen

Feb. 25, 1947 - Jan. 24, 2022

Jerry Janssen, 74, Wingate, passed away at 4:00 AM Monday, Jan. 24, 2022 in his home following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Janssen was born in Lafayette, Ind. on Feb. 25, 1947, son of the late Harry and Edith Lorene Thomas Janssen.

He married Susan Beedle Howell in Wingate, July 1, 2000 and she survives. He was a graduate of Otterbein High School and served with the US Navy 1966-1970 serving in Vietnam on the USS Coral Sea as an aircraft mechanic. Returning from the service he had several jobs, he enjoyed helping friends on the farm and was employed at Eli Lily. He and Susan operated a small excavating and commercial mowing business serving the Montgomery-Fountain County areas, until he his health failed a year ago.

Visitation hours are scheduled noon - 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, 2022 at Family and Friends of Wingate with funeral services immediately following at 2:30 p.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Duane Mycroft officiating. Military honors by the US Navy and Crawfordsville American Legion/VFW Honor Guard. Interment will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Wingate. Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers may be directed to Pleasant Hill United Church of Christ, Pleasant Hill Cemetery or Greenlawn Cemetery. Visit us at www.familyandfriends-fh.com for complete obituary and service information.



Russell "Rusty" Max Hester

July 11, 1951 - Jan. 24, 2022

Russell "Rusty" Max Hester, 70, passed into his heavenly home, Monday, Jan. 24, 2022 in the afternoon at Franciscan Health Lafayette.

He was born in Crawfordsville on July 11, 1951 to Albert H. & Virginia "Irene" (Crow) Hester.

He was a 1969 graduate of New Market High School. He was involved with basketball, track, cross country and band. He was also active in 4-H showing Angus cattle.

He drove school bus No. 6 for 34 years as a contract driver for South Montgomery School Corporation. He was a life-long farmer, being a good steward of God's land. He was one of the first in the area to go no-till in his farming practices. He first started farming with his father and brother. Most recently farming with his sons, third generation. He enjoyed croquet, ping pong and playing euchre.

He was a member of Whitesville Christian Church where he was involved in the music ministry. Previously he was a member of the Parkersburg Christian Church where he was involved with the music of the church. He was also a deacon and church treasurer for over 30 years.

He was a loving and caring husband to Sallie Lou (Simpson) Hester. They were married June 28, 1975 at Browns Valley Christian Church. They enjoyed singing duets together. She survives.

Survivors include his two sons that he was very proud of, Brian (Meagan) and Todd (Morgan); his precious grandchildren, Hailey, Hannah and Tad; his brother, Albert "Dale" Hester; his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Peggy (Brad) Grayson, Patti (James) McCollum, Polly (Larry) Rhoads and Brad (Ellen) Simpson; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister-in-law, Nelda Hester; and his in-laws, Austin and Lucy Simpson

Visitation is scheduled at Whitesville Christian Church, 3603 S Ladoga Road, Crawfordsville on Friday, Jan. 28, 2022 from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. The funeral service is scheduled at the church on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2022 at 10:30 a.m., with Pastor's Mike Whitacre, David Bower and Andy Schindler officiating. The service will be live-streamed and recorded which can be viewed on his obituary page at www.sandersfuneralcare.com. Burial will follow at Russellville Cemetery. Memorial donations may be sent to Whitesville Christian Church, Building Fund, 3603 S Ladoga Road, Crawfordsville, IN 47933. Share memories and condolences online at www.sandersfuneralcare.com



Dorothy Sorenson Allen

Jan. 18, 1934 - Jan. 25, 2022

Dorothy Sorenson Allen died on Jan. 25, 2022, one week after her 88th birthday, following a brief illness.

She was born Jan. 18, 1934. Her parents were Mabel and Dale Melton and John Sorenson.

She worked at Keystone Consolidated Industries as a secretary, and it was while working there that she met her husband, Wayne. They were married on March 3, 1961.

Residing in many different states throughout the years, she and Wayne shared cross-country adventures. They started their life together in Bartonville, Ill. and then moved to Crawfordsville, Ind. From there, they moved to Cypress, Calif., followed by moves to Germantown, Tenn., Whittier, Calif., and finally - at her persuasion - back to Crawfordsville to be near their grandkids.

Growing up in Pekin, Ill., she graduated from Pekin High School in 1952. In her youth, she enjoyed playing cards, bowling and going on vacations with her friends. As a young woman in the 1950s, she belonged to the Job's Daughters organization.

Never one to back down from a challenge or activity, Mrs. Allen was a survivor of non-Hodgkins lymphoma and an active participant in a variety of clubs, serving as secretary at many of the organizations she participated in. She was a member - and also president - of the Mothers of Twins club in Bartonville, Ill. in the 1970s. She was a member of the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Crawfordsville, Ind., also serving as their historian for some time.

In addition, she was a member of the Crawfordsville Red Hat Society, serving as president for several years, and greatly enjoyed organizing their monthly gatherings. She also served for 20 years as a volunteer 'pink lady' at Franciscan Health Crawfordsville, an activity she loved.

As you can see, Mrs. Allen was extremely social and considered no one a stranger. She enjoyed filling her time with friends, clubs, volunteering, hosting dinners and celebrations. She especially loved birthdays, and she still sent handwritten Christmas cards to her friends and family. Her greatest joy was spending time with her family. She never missed one of her grandchildren's events and will always be their number one fan. Her smile and friendly personality will be greatly missed by many.

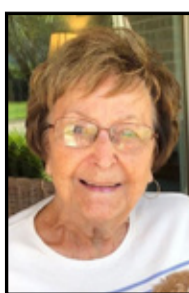
She was preceded in death by her parents; and her beloved husband, who passed away on Dec. 20, 2011.

Survivors include her three children, Suzi (Ray) Gephart, Cindy (Rod) Bryant and Scott Allen; and eight grandchildren, Dana Gephart, Cary (Karese) Gephart, Alexis (Clay) Pierce, Adam (Taylor) Davis, Conner Davis, Sarah Davis; Cody (Jessica) Allen and Isabella Allen; and 11 great-grandchildren. Her half-brother John Sorenson Jr. also survives.

A Celebration of Life is scheduled on Saturday, Feb. 5 at The Vine Church, 1004 Wayne Avenue, Crawfordsville. Visitation will be from 3 to 4 p.m. with the celebration beginning at 4 p.m.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.BurkhartFH.com.

Gifts may be made to Mt. Zion United Methodist Church.



F.C. Tucker West Central announces listing and sales leader

F.C. Tucker West Central is pleased to announce their December Listing and Sales leader. With an outstanding month, Agent John Downey was the December Listing and Sales leader for F.C. Tucker West Central. John led the way with 3 listings for \$ 564,700 in listing volume and John helped 2 buyers find their dream home for \$ 519,800 in sales volume.

John Downey is a life-long resident of Montgomery County. He has been married to his wife Thoma for 22 years. They have three children, Jarrett, Clayton and Gavin. He received his bachelor's degree from Wabash College in 1989 and MBA from Indiana Wesleyan in 1999.

John has worked in real estate as an appraiser in Montgomery, Tippecanoe, Fountain and Warren counties since 2006. He joined F.C. Tucker in 2016 and currently specializes in residential listings in West Central Indiana.

Call John with all of your real estate ques-



John Downey

tions at 765-230-6335 or visit his website at TalkToTucker.com/John.Downey.

F.C. Tucker West Central has been helping serve the real estate needs in west central Indiana for the last 14 years. The local real estate market is seeing a reduced number of homes for sale, if you have been thinking about selling now is a great time to contact your F.C. Tucker West Central REALTOR® for a free Comparative Market Analysis (CMA) on your home. F.C. Tucker West Central has offices in Crawfordsville and Covington. To buy or sell a home in our area, please call 765-362-4700 to speak with one of our 16 experienced realtors.

Baird recognizes the importance of rural broadband

This week, Rep. Jim Baird (IN-04) introduced a resolution recognizing the importance of rural broadband and emphasizing the need to invest in broadband expansion. This bipartisan resolution was cosponsored by 47 Members of Congress.

"As Congress continues to make legislative decisions regarding broadband, we must ensure that rural America is not left behind," said Congressman Baird. "High-quality internet access is essential for millions of Americans to learn and work in this increasingly digitally-dependent world, and I'm committed to working with my colleagues in Congress to eliminate the digital divide and bring reliable broadband to our rural communities."

Background:



Jim Baird

Downloads, video streaming, and many common digital activities require high-speed internet connections. According to a 2020 report from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), 22.3 percent of rural Americans lack access to 25 Mbps/3Mbps service, which is the FCC's minimum standard for broadband internet. Conversely, only 1.5 percent of urban Americans are without access to these same speeds.

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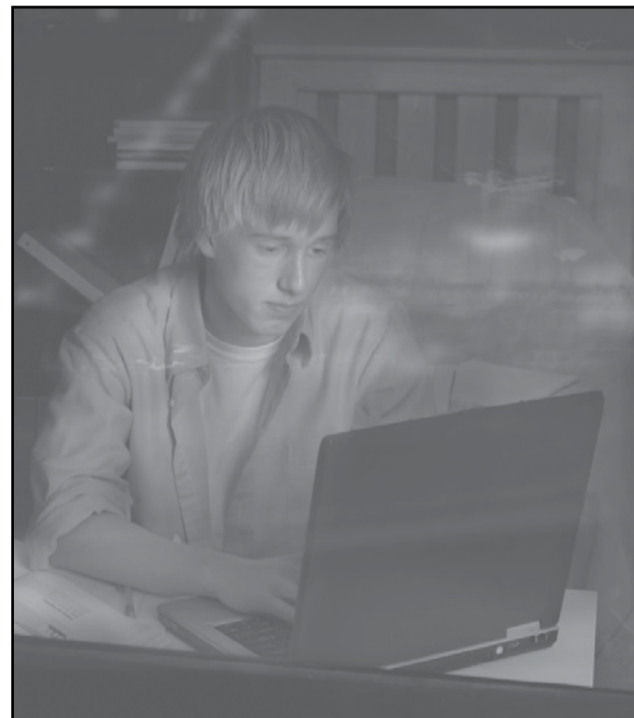
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Painter catches "Piggy": remembering Ward Lambert, some "little giant"

A milestone almost went unnoticed this past Sunday afternoon in Mackey Arena.

Matt Painter earned his 371st victory at Purdue thanks to an 80-60 triumph against Northwestern.

Victory No. 371 matched the total achieved by Ward "Piggy" Lambert over 29 seasons at the helm of the Boilermakers. Painter reached his 371st victory during his 17th season, but Lambert's teams never played more than a 21-game schedule up to his retirement during the 1945-46 season.

Painter caught Lambert in the victory column with an extra 35 games on his resume. Not to disparage Painter, who has continued a string of successful Purdue basketball coaches from George King to Fred Schaus to Lee Rose to Gene Keady, but he's still eight Big Ten regular season championships behind Lambert.

The "father of Purdue basketball" was born May 28, 1888, in Deadwood, South Dakota, a mere 12 years after the legendary "Wild Bill" Hickok met his end holding aces and eights. There, Lambert earned his nickname thanks to his hair poking out of his stocking cap like a pigtail while riding his sled.

However, Lambert spent his formative years in Crawfordsville, arriving just about the same time as the game that would make him famous. As a 10-year-old, Lambert got the job of knocking the basketball out of a peach basket with a stick.

Lambert was a 5-foot-6, 114-pound sophomore when he led Wabash College in scoring. His coaching career began the next season, taking the helm at Crawfordsville High School while still playing for the Little Giants. As a senior, Lambert was player/coach for Wabash.

Basketball, however, was never first in Lambert's life. He held a postgraduate degree in chemistry from the University of Minnesota and used that degree to become a chemistry and physics teacher at Lebanon High School. His coaching experience led school officials to appoint



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

him coach of the Tigers' athletic teams in 1912.

Today, Lambert's move from Lebanon to Purdue in 1916 would generate headlines and plenty of skepticism. But Lambert revived a program that had gone 14-27 the three previous seasons, leading Purdue to an 11-3 record. For 25 of the next 26 seasons – taking a year to serve as a field artillery lieutenant in the Army during World War I – Purdue would win considerably more games than it lost.

His peak years at Purdue were from 1928 to 1932, and it's no coincidence that those years featured the two best players to suit up for Lambert: Charles "Stretch" Murphy and John Wooden. During that period, Purdue won 70 of 84 games and were awarded the Helms national championship in 1932.

The 6-7 Murphy and Wooden each were three-time All-Americans. Fittingly, Lambert and his two stars were inducted into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame together in 1960.

Years later, Wooden would praise Lambert as an influence on and off the court during his string of 10 national championships at UCLA in the 1960s and 1970s. To the end of his life, Wooden always referred to his coach as "Mr. Lambert."

"He was a man of extremely high principles," Wooden said in 2006. "And I think my basic coaching philosophy came more from him. At the heart of my pyramid I have three things: condition, skill and team spirit. And I think that came from Mr. Lambert, as much as anybody else."

More than once, Wooden spoke of Lambert's moral character, which

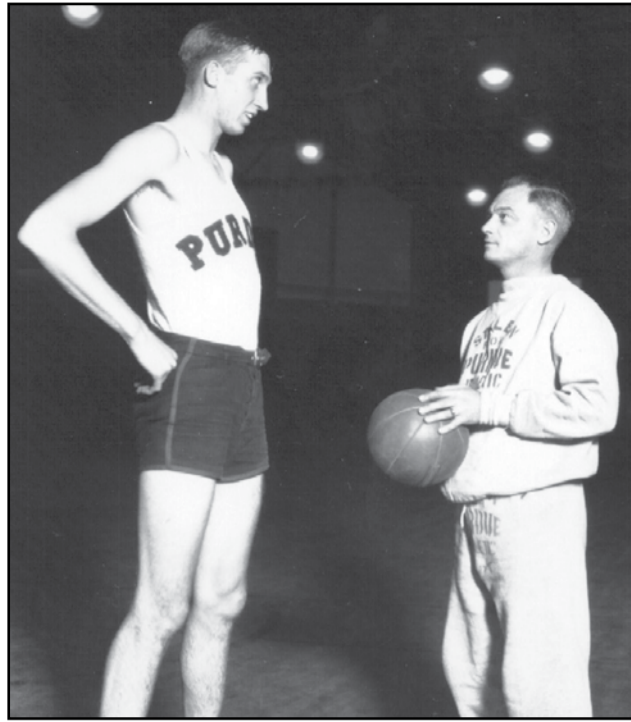


Photo courtesy of Purdue Athletic Communications

Ward "Piggy" Lambert with one of his star Purdue players, Charles "Stretch" Murphy

in Lambert's time. Lambert changed the game by installing the fast break, which quickly gained widespread acceptance. His teams smashed Big Ten scoring marks year after year with an exciting "run, run, run" style. But Lambert also believed in defense.

Retirement, though, wasn't for Lambert. He became commissioner of the National Basketball League from 1946-49, when it merged with the Basketball Association of America to become today's NBA.

Lambert returned to Purdue in 1950 to coach freshman basketball and baseball. He was still freshman baseball coach at the time of his death on Jan. 20, 1958.

Journal and Courier sports editor Gordon Graham noted that Lambert Fieldhouse – then home to the Purdue basketball team – stood as a monument "to a little man who was well over 7 feet tall."

Lambert was such a tough act to follow in West Lafayette that it took 11 years after his death for Purdue to win its first Big Ten championship since 1940. Also notable is that the Boilermakers only had two conference titles before Lambert became head coach in 1917.

"He genuinely cared

igan State's Tom Izzo (659-658) for first place after the Spartans lost at short-handed Illinois on Tuesday night. The late Lou Henson is fourth with 421 wins at Illinois.

Noteworthy Purdue sophomore guard Jaden Ivey was selected a third-team Midseason All-American by the Sporting News last week.

Ivey, who sat out this past Sunday's 80-60 victory against Northwestern with an injury, leads the sixth-ranked Boilermakers in scoring at 16.7 points a game to go with averages of 5 rebounds and 2.9 assists. ...

While 70 points has been the magic number this season for Purdue basketball when it comes to winning, its 96-88 double overtime victory at then-No. 17 Illinois was the Boilermakers' nation-leading ninth game with at least 90 points this season.

Purdue has won 111 consecutive games when scoring 90 or more points, going all the way back to Nov. 24, 1987.

Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.

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I'm in a lot of trouble. I tried to sneak in the back door without my wife seeing me, but I got caught with you-know-what on my breath: salami.

Yes, I had been out carousing. At Kroger. Ever since Covid started, my wife prefers that we not go into stores, but instead pick up food curbside. I'm sorry, but you can't indulge yourself in guilty delights on a computer screen, so...I put on my N95 and silently slipped out the door. Sounds mysterious, doesn't it?

The other day I returned home with a bagful of goodies. I usually shop while Mary Ellen is walking in the woods behind our house so when I get home I can take my stash and stuff it away without her seeing what I bought. I've devised many clever places to hide questionable food choices. I once got caught hiding a Johnsonville sausage link in an empty lamp socket. "What is that?" she asked.

"It's a 40 brat bulb," I told her.

Back to my attempted covert entry into the house. Mary Ellen carefully eyed each item as I unloaded my bag onto the counter...

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PISTACHIO NUTS: "Why did you buy those? You know we're just going to eat them. Almonds are better for us."

MILK: "A quart? It's so much cheaper by the gallon. And how many grown men still drink chocolate milk?"



DICK WOLFSIE
Life in a Nutshell

CHEESE DIP: "That reminds me, did you remember to pick up your Lipitor?"

My wife doesn't have food cravings like I do. If Mary Ellen turned to me one night and said, "I have this hankering for a pastrami sandwich and a half sour pickle," well, I can tell you right now, I'd want to check her photo ID before we spent the rest of the night together.

Last week I was yearning for a jumbo shrimp cocktail. By the time I got to the store, I had lost that desire, and opted instead for a bag of Spicy Nacho Doritos. That poor nutritional choice required finding the perfect hiding place at home to avoid my wife's disapproving eye. I can never use the space under the back porch. The raccoons know exactly what I'm up to.

Another drawback to this trickery is that I forget where I've hidden things. I've found a half-eaten burrito in the laundry cabinet, a Twinkie in an old eyeglasses case and Peppermint Patties in a tennis ball can.

Truth is, I get a kick out of the game of Hide and Eat. I recently stashed a chocolate chip cookie under my pillow. That night just after we turned off our bedroom TV, Mary Ellen made me promise to think about laying off bad food. I told her I'd sleep on it.

Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper of Montgomery County. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.

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Starting Jan. 31, customers can visit their local participating

McDonald's or go on McDonald's App to order the custom 'Menu Hacks' by name and receive all the delicious menu items needed to build them by hand (because that's half the fun!).

So, which of the many mashups seen on social media were chosen as the lucky four for our menu? To help introduce these craveable combos, we asked a few self-identified 'menu hack masters' to share their favorites:

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"I've been saying for years that the Hash Brown goes inside of the Sausage McMuffin with Egg ... that extra little



crispy bite is the real breakfast cheat code." - Sarah Sandlin (@sarah-margaretsandlin)
The Crunchy Double
"It's simple, yet so tasty...Chicken McNuggets topped with a Double Cheeseburger, then drizzled with Tangy Barbeque

Sauce. Order it now and thank me later." - Greg Simms (@grubwithgreg)
The Land, Air & Sea
"A McChicken**, stacked on a Big Mac, stacked on a Filet-O-Fish... it's the flavor I never knew I needed, until I needed it. Go big

baby!" - Julian Broadway (@julianbroadway)

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"Sometimes I'm craving the flaky crunch of a Filet-O-Fish, sometimes I want the juiciness of a Double Cheeseburger, and sometimes I want both. So why choose?" - PJ Mattingly (@heavy-hands94)

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trating situation. On this night, however, Larry arrived before me and discovered an unlocked door. He got on his radio and told me to park behind the business in case there was an intruder who might try to escape out the back. The owner had left a couple of dimmed lights on inside the building, but there were many areas where someone could be hiding. Larry entered the unlocked door as I covered the back and south side. He unholstered his revolver as he slowly entered the showroom.



Butch Dale

with both hands and had it aimed at the intruder in the shadows. I drew my revolver and ran around the counter towards Larry.

As I peered around the wall, I shined my light in the direction where Larry was pointing his gun...and there was the burglar! But guess what? The intruder was no danger at all. Larry had stopped him dead in his tracks. And there... motionless...and smiling at both us was... "Mr. Goodwrench," a six foot tall cardboard image of a repairman that GM used as an advertisement in those days. Oh...my... God! We looked at each other, Larry just about swallowed his "chew"... and then we both laughed

so hard that we had tears rolling down our cheeks. As the manager pulled into the lot to meet with us, we were still chuckling, "I can't believe it was Mr. Goodwrench. Everyone will think I'm an idiot," Larry quipped.

I tried to reassure him, "Well, Larry, look at this way... At least you didn't shoot him. Mr. Goodwrench can keep his job, go on with his life, and be with his wife and kids tomorrow... safe and sound." Folks, police work was serious business, but sometimes crazy and funny things happened. Larry passed away a few years ago, and Mr. Goodwrench is gone, too...but I'll bet both of them are up in heaven right now... telling everyone how they first met... and having a great laugh together!

John "Butch" Dale is a retired teacher and County Sheriff. He has also been the librarian at Darlington the past 32 years, and is a well-known artist and author of local history.

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of life outside of 4-H. The educational experiences that youth have through the 4-H program helps them gain a better understanding of setting SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, timely) goals and learning what steps need to be taken to achieve a goal.

At the Junior Leader meeting in January, part of the officer team led members in identifying a word that they would like to focus on in 2022. This word represents an area of their life that they would like to improve in. To keep this inspirational word at the forefront of their minds when life gets busy, they creatively displayed their word on a canvas that they can hang in their room or locker.

As members of the Junior Leader program, this exceptional group of 4-H members are already interested in enhancing their leadership, communication, and teamwork skills. However, despite having a common interest of enhancing their leadership



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skills and being a part of Junior Leaders, each 4-H member picked a unique word that resonated with them and then used their creativity to make their word even more personal.

As we are well on our way into the new year, I would encourage you to talk with youth that you know about setting a goal to enroll in 4-H. This program helps youth enhance life skills through fun, hands-on learning experiences. 4-H enrollment is open and we would love to

have more youth join! To enroll in the Montgomery County 4-H program, visit <https://v2.4honline.com> or visit the Montgomery County Extension office at 400 Parke Avenue, Crawfordsville, IN 47933. The program fee for enrolling in 4-H is \$15 per child and mini 4-H (grades K-2) is free. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Abby Morgan at the Extension office at (765)364-6363 or e-mail asweet@purdue.edu.

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hours to help make this happen.

But 2021 was also an exciting year of economic development as Tempur Sealy announced that it would locate its newest and largest manufacturing facility in Montgomery County, bringing 300 new jobs and over \$180 Million in capital investment here. As part of our commitment to Tempur Sealy, the County agreed to improve our roads and extend water and sanitary sewer lines along Nucor Road, and these infrastructure improvements will strengthen our efforts to bring additional economic development to the County.

This success would not have occurred without the efforts of the County Council, Commissioners, Redevelopment Commission, Economic Development Commission, Indiana American Water Company, CEL&P, the Regional Sewer District, Metronet, the City of Crawfordsville and the State of Indiana.

The teamwork exhibited was a great example of what we can accomplish when we work together to achieve a common goal.

These efforts have also helped with attracting residents as homebuilding continued apace in the County with 67 new housing starts. To continue attracting residents, broadband services need to be improved and our residents are well aware of the challenges of broadband.

The Commissioners took the steps necessary to become a State certified Broadband Ready County and we continue to support our internet providers' efforts to secure state funding to expand broadband to rural areas of our County. One of the most import-

ant services that we provide is ensuring the safety of our residents and businesses.

Our Sheriff's Deputies responded to over 15,000 calls for service.

Our centralized emergency dispatch service, in partnership with Mayor Barton, answered over 71,000 calls and completed an operational study of its services.

Our emergency management agency assessed and repaired inoperable tornado sirens, initiated an emergency mass notification system and secured a grant to purchase a new SWAT vehicle for the County.

Our court system is also an important part of ensuring the safety of our residents and businesses.

Our Judges, Prosecutors, Probation Officers, Public Defenders and the County Clerk worked together to ensure that our residents received a fair and just administration of the law.

Our Probation officers secured over \$441,000 in grants to provide services.

And Our Clerk processed over \$4,000,000 of court related payments.

Our departments have collaborated to provide services to our residents and businesses.

Our Auditor, Assessor and Recorder worked together to offer new on line services.

Our new Mapping Department worked with our Central Communications Center to establish a program to alert departments to road closures and to ensure that our database for emergency responses was continually updated.

And Our Treasurer and Auditor worked together to collect property taxes and distributed \$45,000,000 in revenue to fund the operations of our schools, towns,

townships, libraries and the City of Crawfordsville.

The maintenance of our infrastructure is a responsibility that we take seriously.

Our Highway Department paved 16 miles of roads, chip and sealed 24 miles of roads and replaced 53 drainage culverts. They also increased their efficiency by constructing a new salt barn that will store more material for snow fights and replaced the 30 year old paving machine.

Our Surveyor's Office repaired or reconstructed 69 drains.

Our Engineering Department repaired two significant bridges over Sugar Creek, built a new bridge that eliminated a safety hazard and secured a grant to pave 7 miles of road in 2022.

Also, our Weights and Measures Department continued to ensure that our citizens receive fair value at stores and gas pumps by conducting over 1000 inspections.

Our Veteran Services Officer welcomed 188 veterans to the office for assistance, and worked hard to see that the men and women who fought for our freedom were cared for properly.

The County also provided financial support to other organizations to meet the needs of our community. This includes the Soil

and Water Conservation Service, Purdue Extension Office, Abilities Services, Animal Welfare League and Ivy Tech. These institutions provide key assistance to our farmers, 4-H participants, students, animals and those with disabilities who are looking for jobs.

All of these services would not have been possible without our employees and we want to recognize a few of them for their accomplishments.

First, we want to recognize Sheriff Deputies Monica Downing and Shelby Curtis. Monica was recognized as the Correctional Officer of the Year and Shelby received a Life Saving Award for saving a life. Their service is greatly appreciated.

Second, we want to recognize our Emergency Management Agency Director Shari Harrington and our Central Communications Center Director Sherri Henry. Both have continued their professional training and have received certification as managers in their respective fields. Their dedication to continual learning helps them provide vital emergency services when things matter the most.

Finally, we want to recognize our employees that have served the County for over 25 years. Earlene Garrard, Laren Myers, Ron

Blanton, Missy Goforth, Matt Olin, Mark Bickel, Jennifer Bentley, John Conkright, Angela Swazay and Jeremy Hughes. As with any endeavor, longevity of service gives the citizens of Montgomery County the benefits of experience and expertise. We appreciate the dedication and commitment of these members of our team who serve you.

We also want to acknowledge all of the members that serve on our 34 Boards, Commissions and Committees. Their participation is important in order to serve our residents and businesses, and they are citizens, just like all of us who give of their time to keep our County government representative of all of the citizens of our County.

We are blessed that we live in a caring community. Our Community Foundation has one of the largest per capita asset valuations of any Community Foundation in the state and that tells us how generous the people of Montgomery County are but also how generous our citizens have been for generations. Our residents pay for the meals of those in need, they make donations to the United Way to help

our children's programs and programs for those in need, our churches are a vital part of neighbors helping neighbors and the people of Montgomery County volunteer their time, talent and treasure in many community events and organizations giving freely of themselves for others. A little more than a year ago, my family moved here and we are amazed by the generosity, friendliness and strength of this community. We are glad to call Montgomery County our home.

So, the state of the County is good. 200 years ago, our first citizens braved harsh and difficult conditions as they settled in a land that was undeveloped and lacking in the amenities we now take for granted. They embodied the pioneer spirit, they were members of a young democracy who knew that they lived in the land of freedom and opportunity. They banded together to protect and serve one another. This is our heritage. And we think that heritage is the foundation for what makes us good and strong today. We are strong and even stronger together. We will rise to meet challenges, and we will overcome them.

PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

Crawfordsville Electric Light & Power has made a filing for a purchase power and energy tracking factor with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission in order to implement an average change in its rates for electric service charged by its supplier, Indiana Municipal Power Agency, pursuant to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission Order in Cause Number 36835-53. The filing, if approved by the Commission, will be effective for energy consumed on or after the date of approval.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LEASE BY THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

You are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held before the Montgomery County Redevelopment Commission on February 9, 2022, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. (local time) in the South Boulevard County Building, 110 West South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana, upon a proposed lease ("Lease") to be entered into between the Montgomery County Redevelopment Authority ("Authority"), as lessor, and the Montgomery County Redevelopment Commission ("Commission"), as lessee. The Lease is for the benefit of the citizens of Montgomery County, Indiana ("County") and the Nucor Road Economic Development Area and Tempur Sealy Allocation Area (collectively, "Area"), located in the County.

The proposed Lease upon which the hearing will be held is for a maximum term of twenty-five (25) years, commencing upon acquisition of the Project (as described below). The Project consists of the acquisition of Nucor Road from the intersection at State Road 32, south to the intersection at Ladoga Road, as further described in Exhibit A attached to the Lease, in, serving or benefiting the Area, and incidental costs associated therewith. The lease provides for a maximum annual lease rental of \$500,000 payable semiannually on January 15 and July 15 of each year during the term of the lease, commencing with the acquisition of the Project on July 15, 2024, whichever is later.

After the sale by the Authority of its Economic Development Lease Rental Bonds of 2022 ("Bonds"), issued to pay for the cost of the Project and other expenses incidental thereto and costs of issuance, the annual rental shall be reduced to an amount equal to the multiple of \$1,000 next higher than the sum of principal and interest due on the Bonds in each twelve-month period ending on February 1 (Bond Year) plus Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000), payable in semiannual installments. Lease rentals shall be payable from Tax Increment (as defined in the Lease) collected in the Area, senior to the Outstanding Obligations (as defined in the Lease) and, to the extent Tax Increment is not sufficient, from LIT Revenues (as defined in the Lease), on a parity with the Outstanding Obligations.

The Lease gives an option to the lessee to purchase the Project on any rental payment date. The estimates for the cost of the Project, as well as a copy of the proposed Lease, is available for inspection by the public on all business days, during business hours, at the office of the Department of Redevelopment, 100 Main Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

At such hearing all persons interested shall have a right to be heard upon the necessity for the execution of the Lease, and upon whether the lease rentals provided for therein to be paid to the Authority are fair and reasonable rentals for the proposed Project, whether the services provided by the Project will serve the public purpose of the County and are in the best interests of its residents and whether the purpose of the Lease is necessary and wise. Such hearing may be adjourned to a later date or dates and following such hearing the Commission may either authorize the execution of the Lease as originally agreed upon or may make modifications therein as may be agreed upon with the Authority.

Dated this 28th day of January, 2022
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