

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Psalms 89:1 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Makia Pierce smiles brightly while taking care of customers at Breakfast Company. Thank you for your smile, Makia!

➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Are you taking part in the 2022 Great Montgomery County Scavenger Hunt? If you're not, you are **missing out!** With clues designed to test your local knowledge and draw attention to the unique, beautiful and often strange history of our little slice of heaven, taking a shot at answering the questions each week is a no-brainer. And, on top of all that, you can win a cash prize and get your photo in The Paper! So, what are you waiting for? Look inside today's edition for Clue #2, as well as Clue #1, and take part in the best county scavenger hunt around.

2 This flock of swallows was late returning to Capistrano, CA this spring. The birds seem to have gotten lost and, somehow, wound up in Redding, CA, about 600 miles north of their intended destination. When they got there they decided to stop by the home of Gary and Patti Reitemeyer, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. The couple were away so hundreds of the birds made themselves at home, entering the Reitemeyer residence via the chimney. A neighbor saw at least 20 swallows "breaking and entering" the house and gave the Reitemeyers a heads up phone call. Gary later told a reporter from KRCR-TV: "As we pulled up, we were thinking you, know, 20 birds or so-that's no big deal. We open the door and it's like an Alfred Hitchcock movie. There were birds flying everywhere. I mean, it was crazy. We were ducking and dodging."

3 The dictionary defines the word "daredevil" as someone who is "reckless and daring." And that, says the Association of American Citizens [AMAC], describes Brazilian tightrope walker Rafael Zugno Bridi. His latest achievement - a not-so-casual stroll on a cable between two hot air balloons 6,236 feet in the air. The International Slackline Association verified the feat and, as a result, Rafael now has the distinction of being a Guinness World Record holder. Is there anyone out there who might want to try taking that award from him?

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Photo courtesy of Karen Zach

Silas Dunbar and his second wife Eliza Chenoweth

Thanks to Lyle Dunbar and Mary Jo Barton, both Dunbar gurus, I now know that Dunbar goes back to the Earls of Dunbar, back to the 1300s in Scotland, featuring Sir Patrick, owning a big chunk of land in the Southwestern portion of Scotland. Perhaps that explains the love of land for so many of the Dunbars.

Well, unlike Lewis M.

Silas - Number Two in the Continuing Dunbar Saga

Dunbar's first son, William Dunbar, his brother, Silas remained in MoCo or near for all but the first couple of years of his life since he was born 23 March 1825 in the Chillicothe, Ohio area and came here with his parents when he was about five years old. He first married Mary Jane Burkhalter, who was a sister to his brother, Will's second wife, Sarah Burkhalter. Silas and Mary Jane were married 19 August 1847 - she born 30 April 1825. They had two children to grow to adulthood, William Taylor and Thomas Cason. She passed away 13 April 1857. On my birth date (Dec 15, 1949) 100 years before, he married Eliza Jane Chenoweth in Tippecanoe County and they had five daughters: Mary Jane, Ollie, Nellie, Alma Iva and Susan as well as two sons, Frank E. and Arthur I. She too died fairly

young on 16 January 1889, she 15 or so years younger but he lived more than that longer than she did.

Silas lived to be over 80 years old but had stomach troubles much of the latter part of his life. There were many references to it in the newspapers from about 1890 until his death. He was also very sick a couple of months before he died when he had a cerebral hemorrhage, a stroke being a common death in this family.

There were four Silas Dunbars in the Colfax/Darlington area at the same time so it was sometimes hard to distinguish from the old papers which was which but here are some items I'm fairly sure were in relationship to this Silas. For one, he gave surety money for Mary E, John W, Charles, Anna C and

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Local Students Celebrated at 2022 Montgomery County Workforce Signing

Students from Crawfordsville High School, North Montgomery High School, and Southmont High School were recognized on Tuesday evening at the 3rd Annual Montgomery County Workforce Signing. The event celebrates graduating seniors' future commitment to the workforce, technical school, and branches of the military.

In conjunction with the City of Crawfordsville and West Central Indiana Career and Technical Education, the three Montgomery school corporations came together to honor

students as they signed certificates of intent with their local industry partners. Students also received a "Workforce Ready" lapel pin to wear on their graduation regalia later this month.

Dr. Colleen Moran, Superintendent of North Montgomery Community School Corporation, welcomed the audience of students, families, and industry partners while additionally recognizing the Crawfordsville | Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, and Blue Marketing as sponsors.

"We are honoring these stu-

dents from the three Montgomery County school corporations. We are also recognizing their families, and the employers, technical programs, and military partners who are committed to ensuring the success of these students." Dr. Moran said. "Each of these students have chosen career paths that will better equip them for the skills needed to be successful as they navigate post-secondary life."

Crawfordsville Mayor Todd

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National Merit \$2500 Scholarship Competition Winners Announced



On Tuesday, Crawfordsville student Marshall T. Horton was announced among the winners of this year's National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) National Merit \$2500 Scholarship competition. The

2,500 Merit Scholar designees were chosen from a talent pool of more than 15,000 outstanding Finalists in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program. Marshall hopes to go on to study environmental sciences.

National Merit \$2500 Scholarship winners are the Finalists in each state judged to have the strongest combination of accomplishments, skills, and potential for success in rigorous college studies. The number of winners named in each state is

proportional to the state's percentage of the nation's graduating high school seniors.

These Scholars were selected by a committee of college admissions officers and high school counselors, who appraised a substantial amount of information submitted by both the Finalists and their high schools: the academic record, including difficulty level of subjects studied and grades earned; scores from the Pre-

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The Daily Almanac



Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:35 a.m.
SET: 8:53 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures
High: 86 °F
Low: 62 °F



Today is...

- International Nurses Day
- Limerick Day
- National Odometer Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1941 The world's first programmable, fully automatic computer is presented
- 1982 A Spanish priest attempts to assassinate Pope John Paul II
- 2008 A massive earthquake rocks China



Births On This Day

- 1820 Florence Nightingale Italian/English nurse
- 1907 Katharine Hepburn American actress, singer

Deaths On This Day

- 1884 Bedřich Smetana Czech composer
- 2001 Perry Como American singer, actor

➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Here's a big, ol' tip of the seed corn cap to Ma Nature! Thanks for the weather of late. It's felt more like mid-summer, which is just fine with me!



➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Mosquito repellants containing DEET are the most effective and are safe for anyone those older than two months.

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

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➔ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE Churches! Listen up!

The Paper is offering any Montgomery County church a free ad to let folks know what time services are, sermon topics . . . or really, anything they want - something that is especially valuable as we all try to get people together in places of worship so that 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.

➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Smart people learn from everything and everyone, average people from their experiences, stupid people already have all the answers." - Socrates

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

Why don't drivers eat before the 500? They don't want Indy-gestion!



The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank FRED PHELPS for subscribing!



WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

88 HURDY, BREEZY WED	62/86 WARM, BREEZY THU	62/85 SUNNY, LESS HUMID FRI	62/84 STRAY RAIN, STORM CHANCE SAT	62/82 P.M. SHOWERS & STORMS SUN	57/76 PARTLY CLOUDY MON	56/75 SPOTTY STORM CHANCE TUE
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OBITUARIES

Ariel Morgan Pearson

January 27, 1995 - May 9, 2022

Ariel Morgan Pearson returned to her Heavenly Father on May 9, 2022, at the young age of 27.

Ariel was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on January 27, 1995, to Angela Pearson Swazay and Scottie J. Pearson.

As a child, Ms. Pearson played softball, studied dancing, and was a dedicated swimmer in middle school and high school where she made a special friendship with her coach and English Lit teacher, John Walker.

After she graduated from North Montgomery High School in 2013, she went on to study and complete Dental Assistant courses at Ivy Tech in Lafayette, Indiana. After working a few years at Walker Dentistry, Ms. Pearson decided to pursue the esthetics program at Tricici University in Fishers, Indiana. She was set to successfully complete that program later this month. She looked forward to her career in this field. While attending courses fulltime she also worked at Greencycle in Danville and in Avon, Indiana; she was driven and ambitious.

Ms. Pearson's caring spirit and generous heart could be felt by anyone she came in contact with. She had a special gift of not only seeing the good in people but bringing out the best in them as well. She was an avid lover of the outdoors and spent much of her time in oceans, lakes, and creeks enjoying the serene beauty they encompassed. Observing Ms. Pearson in nature was something to behold as she had a way of drawing out butterflies and other animals to her. Her love for the outdoors and traveling brought the happy free spirit that defined her. She also had a love of music which was an expression of her emotions and her individuality. Her love for traveling, outdoors, and music were only surpassed by the love she had for her family.

The relationship she had with her mother was like no other. They shared an unbreakable bond. Ms. Pearson was a wonderful sister and always made sure she spent quality time with her sisters, Layton and Courtney. She adored her nieces, Karson and Elena. She was also a special aunt to the children of her closest friends, whom she loved so much. She had a loving bond with her father. They always enjoyed their annual Cub games in Chicago, cooking out, and watching movies.

Ms. Pearson was selfless and put others first, she was fun loving, outgoing, and vivacious. She was an example to so many and a shining light to all who knew her. When you think of her, celebrate the memories you have of her. We will all miss her beautiful unmatched laughter and love. Ms. Pearson was full of sunshine.

She was close and loving with her aunt and uncles, enjoying many special events together. She was the best granddaughter and had a way of making them feel so loved.

Survivors include her mother Angela Pearson Swazay and bonus dad Hank Swazay; father Scottie J. Pearson and his significant other Julie Hall; sisters Layton Pearson and Courtney Swazay; nieces Karson Swazay and Elena Acres; grandparents James Wesley and Cheryl Lynn Baker, Garry and Connie Pearson and Beth and Merlin Cox; fur son; Findlay; Kayleigh Snyder; uncles and aunts Mindy and Jason Choate of Comins, Michigan, Jason Willoughby of Ladoga, Indiana, Garry and Lori Pearson of Darlington, Indiana, Chass Pearson and Gary Comonyak of Frankfort, Indiana and Jason Swazay of Indianapolis.

Rebecca (Becky) Peacock

March 17, 1959 - May 8, 2022

Rebecca (Becky) Peacock, 63, of Crawfordsville, Indiana, passed away peacefully on May 8, 2022 from pancreatic cancer.

She was born March 17, 1959 in Crawfordsville to the late Jack Walton and Barbara Manion Walton Nixon.

Mrs. Peacock graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 1977, attended beauty school at House of James Beauty College, and received her cosmetology degree in 1978. She is an auxiliary member of the American Legion Post 72. She met the love of her life, Terry Peacock in 1993 and they were married on December 24th. They were married for 28 years.

Mrs. Peacock owned her own salon, Rebecca's Hair-care, for 17 years where she met many wonderful people. She later got her real estate license and worked as a licensed insurance agent. She was progressive, creative, and committed to whatever she set her mind to.

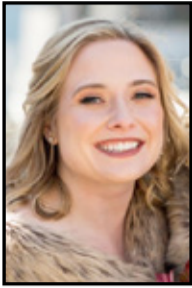
She was an animal lover - and most recently rescued a four week old kitten. Mrs. Peacock was dedicated to her family, and a caretaker for many. She was an avid gardener with an incredible green thumb (more like a green arm). She was an outstanding cook and is remembered for preparing family favorites. She was a loving, caring person with a heart of gold. Mrs. Peacock loved trips to Jamaica and spending time with her husband on Harley motorcycle trips across the country, especially to Sturgis.

Survivors include her loving husband Terry (Crawfordsville, IN) and their kitten, Gracie; sister Linda (Jack Dawson) of Iowa City, IA; step-mother Donna Walton of Crawfordsville; many nieces and nephews; and long-time friends Debbie Cruea, Kay Davis, Laurie Miller, Susan Plank and Deb Slater.

She is preceded in death by her parents; grandparents; aunts and uncles; brother Gregory (Pete) Walton (Crawfordsville); and many beloved pets, Gunther, Bunny, Strider, Brody.

Memorial service to be held later this summer. Donations may be made to the Montgomery County Animal Welfare League, 1104 Big 4 Arch Rd, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 or the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network at www.pancan.org/.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Burkhart Funeral Home.



Kayla N. Bowling

August 4, 1994 - May 6, 2022

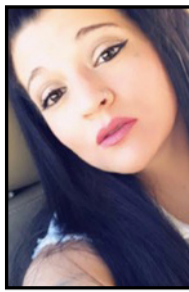
Kayla N. Bowling of Crawfordsville passed away Friday May 6, 2022, at Franciscan Health. She was 27.

She was born August 4, 1994 in Fort Thomas, Kentucky, the daughter of Calvin Bowling and Paula Bowling. She had many talents but being a tattoo artist was her greatest talent.

Even though Ms. Bowling was taken too soon, she lived as a free spirit, singing and dancing through life.

Survivors include parents Calvin and Paula Bowling; three beautiful children Lili, Zayden and Trenton; three sisters; and four brothers.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 14th at Burkhart Funeral Home with a memorial service scheduled for 4 p.m.



Marilyn Joyce (Ball) Rubley

June, 30, 1936 - May 9, 2022

Marilyn Joyce (Ball) Rubley, age 85, of Waynetown, passed away on Monday, May 9, 2022 at St. Vincent Hospital Indianapolis.

She was born in Judson, Indiana on June, 30, 1936 to the late Ronald and Martha (Alexander) Ball.

Mrs. Rubley graduated from Marshall High School in 1954. At the age of 18, she went to work at RR Donnelley, where she met her husband, Charles Rubley. They later married on February 14, 1956. She was a volunteer nurse at North Montgomery High School and was the neighborhood mother.

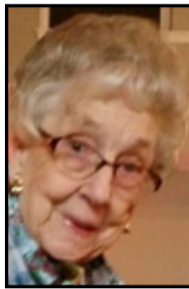
Mrs. Rubley was a member of the Judson Baptist Church. She enjoyed working in the garden, crocheting, knitting, sewing, and playing the organ. She enjoyed visiting Wallace with Charles, where they would visit HWY 341 Café to dance. She was an avid collector of tea pots.

Survivors include her son Daryl (Sheila) Rubley of Waynetown; daughter Cheryl Huse of Waynetown; sister Susie (Bobby) Alexander of Stoneville N.C.; four grandchildren Rachel (Evan) Zafir, Christopher Rubley, Ashley (Josh) Posthauer and Amy Wise; three great-grandchildren Alex Trinkle, Jaycen Posthauer and Hope Zafir; two brother-in-law James Earl Rubley and Ernest Cline (Dean) Rubley; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; and six sisters Lorraine Leatherman, Ethel Cullin, Betty Irelan, Loretta Hobbs, Ruth Hayes and Helen Armstrong.

Cremation was chosen with a celebration of life at a later date.

Sanders Priebe Funeral Care is entrusted with care. Share memories and condolences online at www.sandersfuneralcare.com



Meeting Notes

Crawfordsville Board of Works and Public Safety

Meeting Agenda
 May 11, 2022 at 10 a.m.

City Building, 300 E Pike St., Crawfordsville, IN 47933

1. Approval of the minutes from April 27, 2022.

2. Approval of the claims for the week of May 2, 2022

3. Approval of the claims for the week of May 9, 2022

4. Old Business
 A. Unsafe Building Order follow up - 35 Center Drive

5. New Business
 A. Jennifer Coyle with a request to close Pike Street at Pike Place on

June 2, 2022 from 7-9 am for Character Counts

B. Julia Perry with a request to get route approved for the Boys and Girls 5K on July 2, 2022

C. Approval of payment to Butler, Fairman & Seufert for the Wastewater Department

D. Barry Lewis, Code Enforcement Officer, with multiple work order requests

i. 1024 E. Chestnut, Janis Hart

ii. 710 E. Elmore, William Congleton

iii. 810 E. Market, David Heary

iv. 313 N. Grant, Dan Malek

v. 509 W. North, Wiper Corp.

vi. 713 S. Washington, Daniel Kamin

6. Miscellaneous

7. Department Heads

8. Adjournment



Obituary deadline
 The Times publishes obituaries daily at www.thetimes24-7.com, and in its print product every day with the exception of Sundays and Tuesdays. All obituaries must come from a funeral home. A photo may be included and should be sent as a high-resolution JPEG. Daily obituary deadline is 4 p.m. for the following day's print publication. To read more obituaries, visit www.thetimes24-7.com.

Crouch, FSSA Accepting 2022 Golden Hoosier Award Nominations



Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, in collaboration with the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration's Division of Aging has announced nominations are now being accepted for the 2022 Golden Hoosier Award. This is the 15th year for the program.

"Our state is filled with generous Hoosiers who are constantly giving back to their neighborhoods and communities," Crouch said. "I am excited to once again partner with FSSA and AARP Indiana to honor those who are going above and

beyond to better their town and our state. The best thing about Indiana are her people, men and women who find ways to leave Indiana in a better place for their children and future generations."

Crouch said that the award began in 2008 and annually honors older Hoosiers for their lifetime of service and commitment to their communities.

To be eligible for the Golden Hoosier Award, the nominee must currently be an Indiana resident, aged 65 or older and have been a volunteer in the community for the past three years.

The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, June 10, 2022. Nomination forms can be accessed electronically by clicking here. A ceremony honoring those selected will be held later this year at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center.

Since 2008, more than 200 Hoosiers have received the Golden Hoosier Award.

Indiana DOR to Host In-Person and Virtual Annual Public Hearing



The Indiana Department of Revenue (DOR) will host this year's annual public hearing on May 26, 2022, at 10 a.m. The public hearing provides customers with a general overview of the agency's progress and provides a forum for the agency to hear directly from its customers and stakeholders.

"This hearing is a chance for Hoosiers to share their valuable feedback, helping us embody our core value of continuous improvement and deliver best-in-class service," stated DOR Commissioner Bob Grennes. During the hearing, the Commissioner will be providing a brief update on major DOR initiatives.

Interested customers and stakeholders may attend the hearing in-person, or choose to attend online.

To attend in-person:
 The hearing will be held in Conference Room B in the Indiana Government Center South Building located at 302 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

To attend virtually:
 To watch live online, visit dor.in.gov/news-media-and-publications and select "Annual Public Hearings." Online viewers can log in to the meeting starting on May 26, which will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

To provide comment:
 Individuals wishing to attend in-person and speak during the hearing should email their request to Biz outreach@dor.IN.gov by May 23 to reserve a speaker slot. In addition, individuals attending in-person or watching online may submit comments to DOR prior to the meeting by emailing Biz outreach@dor.IN.gov.

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The Paper of Montgomery County is
joining the Crawfordsville Kiwanis Club in their
fundraising efforts to purchase a special trike for
a three-year old Crawfordsville boy
named Kyson Shidler.

Kyson was born with spina bifida, a birth
defect where the spine and spinal cord
don't form properly.

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CURRENT CLUE

IN A SMALL CEMETERY INSIDE THE COUNTY, A MAN HAS A UNIQUE WHITE-BRONZE TOMBSTONE WITH AN URN ON THE TOP. MUCH INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND THERE. HE DIED IN 1863 AND HE WAS 64 YEARS OLD. THERE'S ALSO AN UNUSUAL MESSAGE TO HIS FAMILY, "FAREWELL MY WIFE AND CHILDREN ALL, FROM YOU A FATHER CHRIST DOTH CALL; MOURN NOT FOR ME IT IS IN VAIN, TO CALL ME TO YOUR SIGHT AGAIN!" THERE ARE OTHER VERSES AND IMAGES. WHO DOES THE TOMBSTONE BELONG TO AND IN WHICH CEMETERY CAN IT BE FOUND?

PREVIOUS CLUES

CLUE 1 -WHERE WOULD THESE NAMES BE FOUND IN CRAWFORDSVILLE AND WHY WOULD THEY BE LISTED TOGETHER? ZEPHANIAH BALL; JAMES R. CARNAHAN; ISAAC C. ELSON; SAMUEL B. FERGUSON; SMITH S. FRY; THOMAS W. FRY; JOHN P. HAWKINS; JESSE L. HOLMAN; LYCURCUS RAILBACK; ROBERT SPIKMAN; SAMUEL C. VANCE; WILLIAM C. WILSON; JOSEPH M. WISHARD; AND A LOT MORE.

CLUE 2-A SHIP WAS SUNK AND HOSTILITIES BROKE OUT. HUNDREDS OF MEN LOST THEIR LIVES AND NOT LONG AFTER THE UNITED STATES WAS INVOLVED IN A WAR. ULTIMATELY, THAT LED TO THE ERECTION OF A MONUMENT RIGHT HERE IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY. WHAT IS THE MONUMENT, WHERE IS IT LOCATED AND NAME ONE OF THE MEN INCLUDED ON THAT MONUMENT WHO FOUGHT IN THAT WAR?

CLUE 3-FIND THE NAME AND PLACE OF A HOME WHICH SERVED AS AN INN AND HAD SEVERAL IMPORTANT VISITORS, INCLUDING WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON AND HIS MEN. THIS CLAPBOARD HOME EXISTED FOR CLOSE TO 100 YEARS IN OUR COUNTY AS A TRADING POST, TAVERN, POLITICAL AND CIVIC CENTER. IT WAS A PERFECT STOPPING PLACE BETWEEN TWO CITIES BEGINNING TO GROW AS IMPORTANT INDIANA CENTERS (LAFAYETTE AND TERRE HAUTE).

RULES



1. RANDOM CLUES WILL APPEAR ON THIS PAGE SEVERAL TIMES DURING THE MONTH OF MAY. TO ENTER, SIMPLY ANSWER THE QUESTION AND TURN IN THAT ANSWER PER THE RULES BELOW. ANSWERS ARE WRITTEN, NOT OBJECTS.
2. THIS SCAVENGER HUNT REQUIRES PARTICIPANTS TO PICK UP NOTHING. RATHER, SIMPLY IDENTIFY AND WRITE OR TYPE THE EXACT INFORMATION THE CLUE REFERS TO.
3. E-MAIL THOSE ANSWERS TO TTIMMONS@THEPAPER24-7.COM. OR YOU CAN DROP THEM OFF AT THE PAPER'S OFFICE BETWEEN 9 AM AND 4 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 127 E. MAIN IN DOWNTOWN CRAWFORDSVILLE. NO PHONE CALLS OR ORAL ANSWERS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOON, JUNE 3, 2022.
4. ABSOLUTELY NO OBJECTS OR ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED AS ANSWERS.
5. MULTIPLE GUESSES ARE ACCEPTED, BUT EACH ONE MUST BE IN A SEPARATE E-MAIL OR ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER IF DROPPED OFF AT OUR OFFICES.
6. PLEASE INCLUDE NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION WITH EACH ANSWER.
7. WINNERS WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE BEST PERCENTAGE OF CORRECT ANSWERS. IN CASE OF TIES, A RANDOM DRAWING OF THOSE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE USED TO BREAK THE TIES.
8. NO PURCHASE REQUIRED TO PLAY.
9. WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BASED ON THE CONTACT INFORMATION THEY PROVIDE. PRIZES MUST BE PICKED UP AT OUR OFFICE AND WILL NOT BE MAILED OR DELIVERED.
10. PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO ALLOW THEIR NAME TO BE USED FOR PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES WITH THIS CONTEST. WINNERS WILL BE ASKED TO COME TO OUR OFFICE TO PICK UP THEIR PRIZE AND HAVE THEIR PICTURE TAKEN.

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The Dunbar family headstone

Francis Dunbar, heirs of Amanda Dunbar, with Robert Dunbar as their guardian. I also think that the Lewis who purchased AJ Bowers farm (AJ was going west) in April 1873 was him, as well. He owned quite a bit of property and accumulated it bit by bit, perhaps reflecting his ancestor, Sir Patrick.

William Taylor Dunbar was the oldest of Silas and Mary Jane Burkhalter's children, born 22 May 1850 in Sugar Creek Township, and married Atlanta Peterson daughter of Solomon and Jane Dains Peterson, both fathers being fairly large farmers there. He lived

until 17 May 1909 when he passed, having several months with cancer of the liver. They were parents of Jennie, Roy and Grace and raised a niece, Clara, possibly adopting her as she was listed as a daughter in Atlanta's obituary.

Silas and Mary Jane's second son was Thomas Cason Dunbar, and he married Mary Shriver. They stayed in the White Church area (north of Darlington) farming until 1910 when they went to California. They had two children, Bertha and Albert who remained in California with Thomas and Mary buried there.

Eliza Jane Chizum and Silas Dunbar's first child

was Mary Jane and she was quite a hoot. She enjoyed partying and on her 37th birthday she invited her Stilwell Relief Corps of Colfax to her home to celebrate. There were 14 who came and they feasted and quilted all day long. In appreciation for all her work in the group they gave her a beautiful lamp and an elegant pin of opals and diamonds. John Blacker the only bachelor in Colfax even sent her a ready to wear bonnet. Everyone loved Mary Jane. And, who knows he may have been wooing her as she was divorced. She had been married to David Miller and was the mother of three children: Silas, Roscoe, and Lew. She later married Richard Russell and remained with him for life which ended in April 1936 after a lengthy illness. But, back to her party on her 37th birthday. After her gal friends left, and as evening light approached, here came a whole new batch to help her celebrate - families of Dr. Wilson, Dr. Wisheart, John Waugh, Doug Mitchell, John Blacker (see that name again - think he was wooing

her), Emma Swallon, and Mary Jane's sister, Nellie Dunbar. They all had such a good time they didn't depart until midnight. Mary Jane was an active member of the Christian Church, Order of Eastern Star and American War Mothers. She was a people lover and everyone loved her.

Daughter Ollie married Charles Buser and they had two children: Fred Elwood and Zola. Fred passed in Las Vegas at age 70; and Zola died at the young age of 30 in Los Angeles. I believe the Busers likely divorced as Ollie died as a Magness in Los Angeles 2 Feb 1919 of valvular heart disease at age 53.

Frank Elmer, Silas' son was (also) born on my birthday (15 December) in 1866 and passed away at age 78 years and 28 days. He was a retired plumber and also ran a garage. Not sure why there was an inquest over his death as he died of angina pectoris which is basically a natural cause, except his obituary noted "presumably of a heart attack." He was a 32nd degree Mason. Twice married, he was survived by two stepdaughters,

Florence and Anna. Buried IOOF Cemetery at Darlington.

Next up is Nellie born 20 Oct 1871 in upper Montgomery and passed away 9 Feb 1945 age 73 in Frankfort. She married John Archie Evans and they were parents of one child, Byron Dunbar Evans. All three are buried at Greenlawn Cemetery in Frankfort.

Daughter, Alma lived but five years, born 1875 passed not long after the 1880 census and her brother Arthur Lewis married on Christmas Eve 1899 to Fannie Brown daughter of John Brown and Kansas Cook. Sadly, she passed away six years later of ovarian cancer which she had been sick with for seven months. He remarried Sarah Belle Blake who was 13 years older than he. Buried in Darlington IOOF, he passed away at age 66 as a retired farmer, having had stomach ulcers tallied just a few days.

The last child was Susanna Elizabeth. or Susie as she was known (also Sue but only Susannah on important papers) by all. Susie married William T. McBee at the Crawfords-

ville United Methodist Church March 5, 1902. He was a farmer in the Linden area. She passed in late March 1951 and he the 2nd day of January 1958 and are buried in Linden. Be careful following them in Ancestry as it is wrong as she was definitely Susan Dunbar not Susan Avery and other mistakes.

Silas was a religious man, went forth and prospered with nine children to his name, tallying eleven in the next generation. He lived in and did business in our county as well as next door in the Colfax area and is buried next door in Clarks Hill, Tippecanoe County (Union Cemetery - thanks to Kara Edie of FindAGrave for the photo - he's one of the few without his picture in the Saga), Mary Jane buried there as well as Eliza Jane - rest in peace, all!

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CELEBRATED From Page A1



Photo courtesy of Southmont School Corporation

Mayor Todd Barton speaks at the 3rd Annual Montgomery County Workforce Signing event on Tuesday.

Barton opened the event by encouraging the students to recognize the value of joining the workforce locally in Montgomery County. He himself joined the workforce after high school and commended the students on their first steps in building their future.

Attendees heard from Keynote Speaker Tracy Mobley, a Dairy Sourcing Leader at Kroger and current Board President

of the Crawfordsville | Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Mobley spoke to the current need for workforce, and the benefits of entering a career directly out of high school.

"When I graduated high school, I wish this would have been there for me," Mobley said. "I went to college, but why? I didn't realize that I could start a path in manufacturing directly out of high school

and be in the same place I am today in my career."

Newly-signed Crawfordsville Fire Department firefighter Colton Meadows, a 2021 North Montgomery High School graduate, served as this year's Alumni Speaker. Mr. Meadows emphasized to this year's Workforce Signing class that "the only source of knowledge is experience," and that taking opportunities to learn a variety of trades

or skills can help to find a career that students can be passionate about.

A wide variety of organizations were recognized Tuesday evening in the North Montgomery High School auditorium. Those students recognized were:

- Trinity Darby, Crawfordsville High School
- Erskine Greene Training Institute
- Kyle Fruits, Crawfordsville High School - United States Navy
- Thatcher Gambrel, Crawfordsville High School - Nucor Technical Academy
- Peyton Groumoutis, Crawfordsville High School - Prime Body & Paint
- Jacob Halupka, Crawfordsville High School - United States Marine Corps
- Emma Lyons, Crawfordsville High School - Lincoln Technical Institute
- Liddy McCarty, Crawfordsville High School - Ben Hur Health & Rehabilitation
- Owen Rush, Crawfordsville High School - United States Army National Guard
- Kyle Schick, Crawfordsville High School - United States Marine Corps
- Lauren Carr, North Montgomery High School - United States Army National Guard
- Nolan Graham, North Montgomery High School - United States Marine Corps
- Brock Hagan, North Montgomery High School - Lincoln Technical Institute
- Donovan Haworth, North Montgomery High School - Secure Fence & Deck
- Lindsey Jaimez-Gonzalez, North Montgomery High School - United States Army National Guard
- Sean Kilgour, North Montgomery High School - Newton Welding Fabrication
- Noah Leonhardt, North Montgomery High School - Vincennes Aviation Technology
- Carter Livingston, North Montgomery High School - Cook Home Services
- Blaine Pate, North Montgomery High School - Secure Fence & Deck
- Donnie Reyes, North Montgomery High School - Perry Equipment
- Mackenzie Shepherd, North Montgomery High School - Franciscan Health Crawfordsville

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- Sydnee Turner, North Montgomery High School - United States Army National Guard
- Noah Henge, Southmont High School - International Paper
- Gavin Haltom, Southmont High School - Maxwell Drainage Innovations
- Dayton Hastings, Southmont High School - Maxwell Drainage Innovations
- Jarrett McKinney, Southmont High School - Hendrickson International
- Carson McKinney, Southmont High School - Vincennes Aviation Technology
- Nash Young, Southmont High School - United States Army

"This type of event is a great way to showcase the strength of our local industries and to recognize a variety of students," said Sara Nicodemus, West Central Indiana Career & Technical Education Director. "These students are about to close a chapter of high school as graduating seniors, but begin a new journey with new opportunities to develop and grow their careers."

WINNERS From Page A1

liminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT); contributions and leadership in school and community activities; an essay written by the Finalist; and a recommendation written by a high school official.

NMSC finances most of these single-payment National Merit \$2500 Scholarships. Corporations and company foundations that sponsor awards through NMSC also help underwrite these scholarships with grants they provide in lieu of paying administrative fees. Scholars may use their awards at any regionally accredited U.S. college or university.

This year's National Merit Scholarship Program began in October 2020 when high school juniors took the PSAT/NMSQT, which served as an initial screen of program entrants. Last fall, the highest-scoring participants in each state, representing less than one percent of the nation's high school seniors, were named Semifinalists on

a state-representational basis. More than 16,000 Semifinalists had an opportunity to continue in the competition.

From the Semifinalist group, over 15,000 students met the very high academic standards and other requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. By the conclusion of the 2022 program, about 7,500 Finalists will have earned the "Merit Scholar" title and received a total of nearly \$28 million in college scholarships.

NMSC, a not-for-profit corporation that operates without government assistance, was founded in 1955 specifically to conduct the National Merit Scholarship Program. The majority of scholarships offered each year are underwritten by approximately 400 independent corporate and college sponsors that share NMSC's goals of honoring scholastically talented youth and encouraging academic excellence at all levels of education.

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