

**➔ TODAY'S VERSE**

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

**➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY**

People who call our community their own.



Alivia and Erick Curran smile while attending a wedding last weekend. Thanks for the smiles!

**➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:**

**1** Patoka Lake is hosting its 16th annual Thunder Over Patoka fireworks display at Patoka Lake beach on Saturday, July 2 at 10 p.m. The display can also be viewed from the section C viewing area in the 300-loop of the modern campground for those camping at Patoka. Music themed to the event will be played on WITZ-FM 104.7, at witzamfm.com or from WITZ- FM's smartphone app. The beach is expected to fill quickly, so plan to arrive early to secure a spot. Beach concessions will be open. The entrance fee of \$7 per vehicle for Indiana residents and \$9 for out-of-state vehicles is required for the Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area, located north of Wickliffe on State Road 164. For more information regarding this program or other interpretive events, call the Nature Center at 812-685-2447. Patoka Lake (on.IN.gov/patoka-lake) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.

**2** Love thy neighbor? 53% of Americans say they don't! Whether you share a wall, a fence, or live across the street, a new nationwide study is breaking down the biggest frustrations with our neighbors: 70% talk to neighbors...but 45% don't want to! 62% have confronted a neighbor over their behavior, whether it's leaving a note, arguing face-to-face, or leaving it to their spouse. Top 5 biggest annoyances: noise, not cleaning up after pets, being intrusive/nosy, parking issues, unsupervised children. When it comes to noise, what type of complaints are most common? The top five are loud music, loud adults talking/shouting, loud pets, and loud children.

**3** U.S. Coast Guard helicopter pilots stationed in Mobile, AL, Blake Morris and Maggie Morton, were browsing the Facebook Marketplace website when they came across a helicopter body for sale. They wasted no time in acquiring the hulk and quickly got into the task of repurposing it into a very unique camper. Their "helicamper" conversion is well on its way to completion. Meanwhile, Blake and Maggie have been busy gathering the chopper's history. According to Blake, it belonged to "the German military police first, then it got bought from there and used in Afghanistan with U.S. troops for a few years then it came here in about 2011 back in the states."

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## BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

### 2022 Boys & Girls Club Of Montgomery County Hosting Firecracker 5K Run/Walk

Looking for a competitive run on the 4th of July weekend? Look no more. The Boys & Girls Club of Montgomery County Firecracker 5k Run/Walk is scheduled for July 2. The Firecracker 5k Run/Walk will start and finish at the Wabash Avenue First Presbyterian Church parking lot, located at 307 S. Washington

Street. Event day registration will open at 8 a.m. with the Run/Walk beginning an hour later at 9.

Cost to participate is \$30 per individual, or \$80 for a family of three or more participants prior to June 25. After that the cost is \$35 and \$90 up to the day of the event. Every participant who registers prior to the

event will receive a T-shirt.

Prizes will be awarded for winners in several age groups, so come out and support the Club. You can register at active.com, bgcmoco.org or the day of the event. Please contact the Club at (765) 362-8912 if you have any questions. Money raised from this event will go to support the Clubs programs.

### Butch Meets A Person Who Had No Conscience



**BUTCH DALE**  
Columnist

The recent killing of those children and a teacher in Texas was an incomprehensible, senseless act by someone who had no conscience or sense of right and wrong. This terrible tragedy brought back memories of people who I came in contact with when I was a deputy sheriff here in Montgomery County. During my first year, I had to transport a convicted murderer to the courthouse. I asked him why he had shot the victim, who had caught him stealing. He could have just fled the scene, as the man was elderly and unarmed. His response..."What makes

the difference? He was old anyway. He would have died in a few years. I can't see why everyone made such a big deal out of it." I was stunned. I had never met anyone before who had no conscience. Sad to say, but during my years with the Sheriff's Department, I met several others like him...two of whom literally got away with murder (but that's a story for another time).

We all want our kids to grow up to develop a conscience and know right from wrong. Parents with strong moral values can set the standards of compassion, honesty, and courage to stand up for what is right. Kids must learn a sense of purpose, peaceful conflict resolution, and how to serve others. They must be taught that there are certain boundaries. Teachers can play a big part of this development, too. The teachers who I had in school in the 1950s and 1960s certainly demanded that we show kindness and compassion for our classmates.

In addition, our local religious leaders can definitely

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### The Cat Who Came At Midnight



**JOHN O. MARLOWE**  
With the Grain

Lilian Jackson Braun was an American novelist, who was famous for writing cozy mysteries. Cozy mysteries are a sub-genre. Some readers like them, because all of the sex happens "off stage," leaving a more comfortable reading experience.

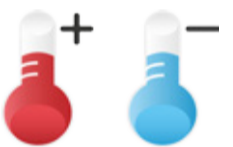
All of Ms. Braun's bestselling stories have titles that begin "The Cat Who . . ." For example, my favorite title is The Cat

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### The Daily Almanac



**Sunrise/Sunset**  
RISE: 6:18 a.m.  
SET: 9:20 p.m.



**High/Low Temperatures**  
High: 97 °F  
Low: 63 °F



**Today is.....**

- The Summer Solstice
- International Yoga Day
- Anne and Samantha Day



**What Happened On This Day**

- 1985 The body of Josef Mengele is identified
- 2004 SpaceShipOne completes the world's first manned private spaceflight
- 2009 Greenland assumes self-rule



**Births On This Day**

- 1964 David Morrissey English actor
- 1986 Lana Del Rey American singer-songwriter, model

**Deaths On This Day**

- 1527 Niccolò Machiavelli Historian, philosopher
- 1970 Sukarno Indonesian politician, 1st President of Indonesia

**➔ HONEST HOOSIER**

RIP Joe Ewing McDonald, who passed away on this date in 1891. The former Wabash student, ended up being a United States Senator as well as a U.S. Representative.



**➔ INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION**

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**➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

Walking at least six miles per week can help reduce age-related memory loss.

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 Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank Larrie Patton for subscribing!



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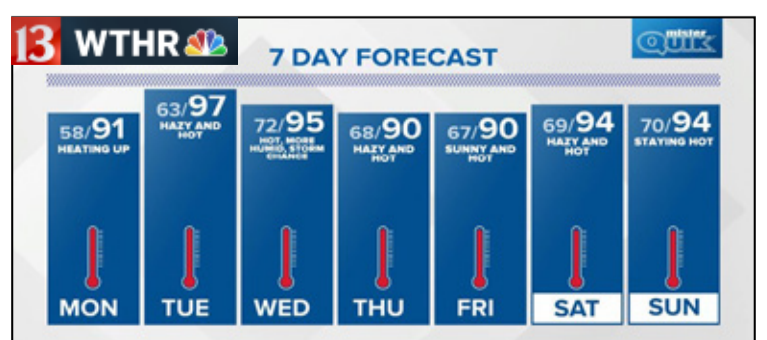
TAF is excited to announce the return of the August Art Fair, an outdoor art sale held the front lawn of the Wells Community Cultural Center. This year's fair will be held on Friday, August 5, from 5 - 8 pm. Interested artists will need to submit an online application by 5 pm on July 15. Spots will be filled in the order applications are received. Accepted vendors will be able to reserve a 10' x 10' booth space at TAF on the evening of August 5 from 5 - 8 p.m. Artists will be responsible for running their own booth and processing their own sales. Artists will keep 100% of their sales. This opportunity is open only to TAF Individual Artist Members.

**➔ TODAY'S QUOTE**

"The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one."  
Oscar Wilde

**➔ TODAY'S JOKE**

As the detective suspected, someone was adding dirt to the gravesite. Ah, the plot thickens!





# WHO'S HIRING?

Companies are searching high and low for good help. Are you in the market for a job? Are you perhaps tired of retirement? Looking to move up and earn more income? Maybe it's time for a career change? Then take a look at these fine companies and open up new doors to a brighter future!

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## ABOUT THE JOB

## RATE OF PAY

Up to \$16 per hour

## HOW TO APPLY

Go to [www.rahncost.com/apply](http://www.rahncost.com/apply)



If you are knowledgeable about cars, have a friendly demeanor and look forward to helping customers in a fast-paced environment, NAPA is looking for you. The local auto parts store has an immediate opening for talented people to work the counter. In addition to being a great place to work, NAPA offers health, dental and vision insurance as well as paid time off after just one year of employment.

Open for discussion during interview

Apply at 200 W. Market St. in Crawfordsville. Ask for Rod.



**JOB DUTIES:** Roachdale owns and operates its own municipal water, sewer, stormwater and natural gas utilities, as well as a street department. This job involves various as-needed tasks for all these departments, as a town supervisor would assign, including digging for and repairing leaks, cleaning and maintaining equipment, patching and plowing streets, and operating vehicles and machinery (no CDL required).

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:** Work Monday – Friday, 7: am - 3:30 p.m. with occasional overtime - Be able to be on-call - Valid Indiana Driver's License - Ability to lift 50lbs - Ability to operate utility machinery and tools - Be able to perform manual labor like digging - Work well under pressure - Be able to work at a fast pace and have good time - management skills - Have good communication skills - Have the ability to pay attention to details - Be able to follow directions - Be friendly and courteous to customers.

Dental, Health & Vision Insurance, Paid Time Off, Holiday, Sick & Vacation Pay, and Public Employee Retirement.

Interested candidates may pick up an application at the Town Hall, 205 North Indiana Street, Roachdale IN 46172, during business hours or download the application at [townfroachdale.org](http://townfroachdale.org).



**Position Hiring for:** Associates and stylists  
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 • Pays attention to detail.  
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 Someone who is:  
 • Dependable  
 • A hard worker  
 • Likes to work with the public  
 Full time or part time.

\$10 an hour or more if you have experience!

Stop at 107 E Washington St, in Waynetown, talk to Mike and fill out an application!



**Position hiring for:** Auto Body and Paint technician  
 Do you love working on cars?  
 Helping your neighbors and friends get the most out of their vehicle?  
 Have an eye for design?  
 Then this is the job for you!  
 • There aren't many benefits. But you can qualify for unpaid vacations  
 • Hours would be 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday  
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Stop in and get an application at Zippy Lube at 707 B Eaglewood Dr., Crawfordsville! Ask for Tim



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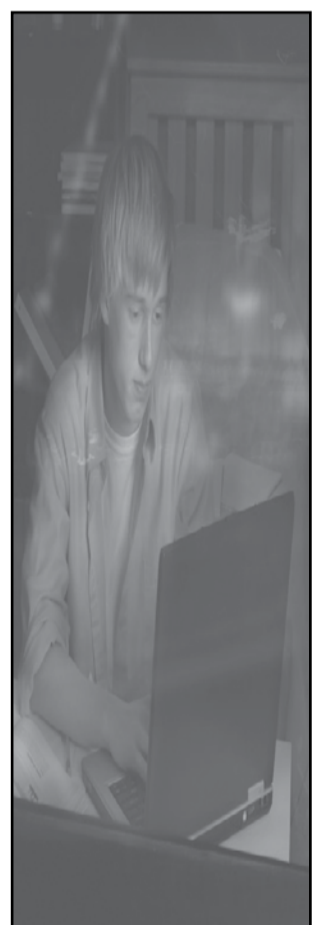
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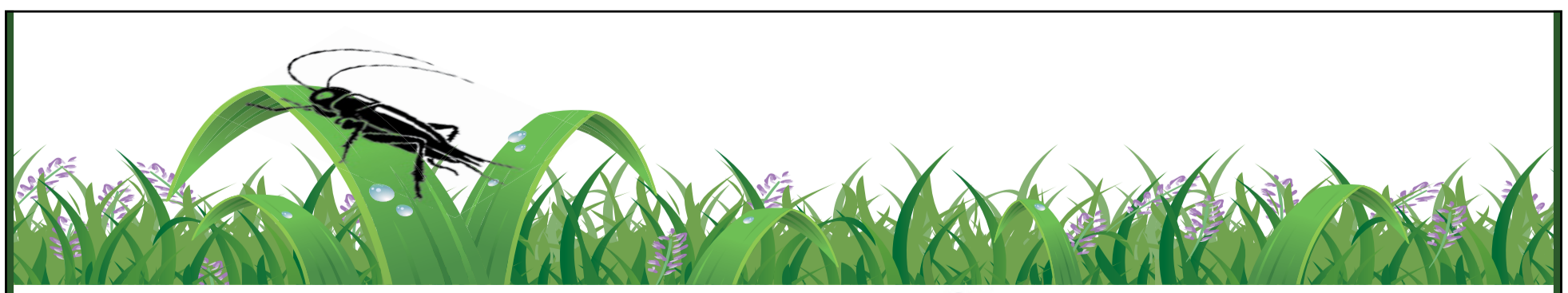
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### Meeting Notes

#### Montgomery County Board Of Zoning Appeals

Minutes  
 Wednesday March 23, 2022  
 The Montgomery County Board of Zoning Appeals met on Wednesday March 23, 2022. Board members present were

Seth Howell, Todd Douglas, Steve Canfield, Steve Loy and John Hedrick. Staff present were Marc Bonwell and Jim Peck. Seth Howell made a motion to approve the January minutes. The motion was seconded by John Hedrick. The motion carried 5-0.  
 ZV2204:  
 The public hearing was

opened up at 10:03. As there were not public comments, the public hearing was closed at 10:06. Seth Howell made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Steve Loy. The motion was carried 5-0.  
 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

### Meeting Notes

#### Montgomery County Board Of Zoning Appeals

Agenda  
 Wednesday June 22nd, 2022, 10:00 Am

Montgomery County Government Center  
 Community Room  
 1580 Constitution Row,  
 Crawfordsville, In 47933  
 I. Call To Order  
 Ii. Approval Of Minutes

Iii. New Business  
 A. Zv2205- Public Hearing, Development Standard Variance, Cecil Gill  
 Iv. Other Business  
 V. Adjournment

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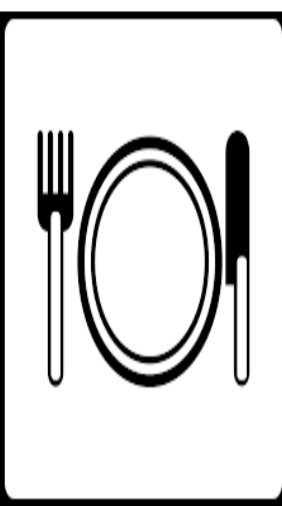
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**BUTCH** From Page A1



Photo courtesy of Dora Dale Cohee

**Vacation Bible School students posing on the steps of the Darlington Methodist Church in July 1947**

teach right from wrong. The Ten Commandments are rules that everyone should live by. I attended Sunday school and church as a child, as did the vast majority of youngsters here in the Darlington community. We also attended Vacation Bible School during the summer. Now I will say this...going to church does not necessarily guarantee that a child will grow up to be a good person. Some of the most evil and disgusting people who I ever arrested... went to church every Sunday...and I know many good, compassionate people who never attended church their entire life. But when youngsters attend Sunday school and church, in most instances it can lay the groundwork for knowing right from wrong, develop kindness and compassion, and forge a conscience.

However, as you may know, religion, for the most part, has been removed from our schools, and church attendance is certainly not what it used

to be. I have a photo of the boys and girls who attended Vacation Bible School in the summer of 1947, and according to a news article in the Darlington Herald, 110 children, from three churches, attended that summer. Last year (in 2021), even though our town's population is still around 800 as it was in 1947, only 45 children attended Vacation Bible School.

As a youngster, my favorite movies were "Wizard of Oz" and "National Velvet." Unfortunately a few kids today have been brought up on... and their minds saturated with violent movies... in addition to violent video games, violent so-called sports like WWE, violent music, and yes... social media. They have become desensitized to violence. Watching Bruce Willis, Matt Damon, Nicholas Cage, and other Hollywood actors kill hundreds of people in the movies, annihilating people in gory video games, watching "fake athletes"

hurt one another, listening to disgusting rap music, and seeing hurtful postings on Facebook can have detrimental psychological effects on anyone. The results are teenagers who have no compassion, no moral compass, and no respect for human life.

Don't get me wrong... the vast majority of kids today are good, compassionate, and caring individuals who do have a conscience. They do know right from wrong. I see those kids every week at the library. But it's the small percentage of the ones with no conscience and no sense of right and wrong who we need to help...before it's too late. And folks, if we don't help those teenagers and get them on the right path, this country is in for more tragedies like the one in Texas.

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Who Sniffed Glue (1988).

From 1966 to 1968, she wrote three "Cat" novels to critical acclaim, and then -- much like a mystery in one of her books -- disappeared from the publishing world entirely for over 18 years. Equally as mysteriously, she reappeared in 1986 to release 27 more books before her death at age 97, in 2011.

It is believed that the two main characters in her novels, felines Koko and Yum Yum, were modeled after her own two Siamese cats. Cat lovers everywhere were enrapt, and waited impatiently for the release of her latest whodunit.

One of them was NOT my Cousin Jim.

Although Cousin Jim lives only about 40 minutes from Ms. Braun's residence in Tryon, N.C., I would have to say that Jim's love of cats is fur-deep at best. Cats are aloof and stand-offish, withdrawn and reserved, and Jim likes to maintain a reciprocal amount of affection. Jim might throw a box on the back porch for a cat to sleep in, but he's not about to let the critter curl up in bed with him to read one of Ms. Braun's novels.

Earlier this year, Cousin Jim was reclining on the sun porch after a long day writing software code -- unwinding in the gentle North Carolina night breeze -- when an uninvited visitor showed up. If not for the river of white fur flanking the right side of her face, or the four white boots on her feet, the cat was as dark as the lightless sky.

After a cordial greeting, the two spent the first encounter just staring at each other through the blackness. Then about

midnight, the cat slinked again into the darkness.

The next night, the cat showed up again, and again the two shared the general space of his back porch, until the cat sauntered off - again around midnight - into the tall undergrowth of the ravine behind Jim's house.

This routine continued over the course of several weeks, each one gaining confidence in the other, until a rather wobbly bond was formed. Jim ultimately began furnishing cat treats, and an occasional bowl of premium cat food. The cat provided the entertainment and affection, eventually willing to curl up on the wicker recliner at Jim's feet.

It was obvious that Cousin Jim was becoming attached to the cat, and probably the same could be said of Gabby. Jim named the cat Gabby, because "the dumb thing won't shut up while I'm trying to work."

Gabby presented a problem for Jim. The only reason Jim was in North Carolina was to take care of my Aunt Sharon in her enfeebled last few years. Jim's Mother had retired to North Carolina to escape the cold, harsh Chicago winters, and Jim really had no other connection to the place. He had no intentions of remaining there after her passing. In fact, a pending purchase of Jim's new software meant he may have to move to Austin, maybe as soon as summer's end.

"What if she actually belongs to someone?" asked Jim just a week ago. "I can't just take her with me. That's cat-napping!"

"You might just leave her there to wander wild," I suggested.

"No! What if she falls

off one of these cliffs around here?" he said, although I thought the likelihood was as remote as the terrain.

"You'll know what to do," I reassured him. "Things nearly always work themselves out."

I heard from Jim, Wednesday. His voice was weak, and carried an undertone of melancholy in each word.

"What's wrong?" I asked.

"It's Gabby," he said.

"Oh, no! Did something happen to her?"

"Well, kind of."

Jim told me the story. Gabby was missing. She didn't show up in the evening. Instead, she wandered in at midnight -- the time she usually departs. She was disheveled and distressed. She wouldn't let Jim touch her. She wouldn't eat. He called his friend, Troy, who has cats. Troy was little help.

Gabby staggered about, wanting to lie down, yet unable to decide where or how. She was belligerent, and caterwauled her anguish nonstop.

"Oh no!" I said.

"Yep," replied Jim.

"The first kitten was born right at midnight. Jet black. One each for the next two hours."

"What are you going to do, now?" I asked.

"I really don't know," said Jim with zero enthusiasm. "I really don't know."

Jim's got a real Lilian Jackson Braun cozy mystery on his hands, I thought. I can't say he's finding it very comfortable, though. Nevertheless, he was right about one thing:

It has a whale of a cliffhanger.

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