

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
(NIV)

➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Jaycee Farris gives one of The Paper's roving photographers a precious smile while handling transactions for visitors of Shades State Park in southern Montgomery County.

➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 SnakeCelebrate World Snake Day with Clifty Falls on Saturday, July 16. At 10 a.m. at the Nature Center, meet one of the park's resident snakes and discover the unique adaptations of these scaly creatures. At 2 p.m., come to the pool to go on a Snake Stroll, or at 8 p.m. make your very own snake mobile at the campground amphitheater. Find more details about these programs and more at on.IN.gov/CliftyFalls.

2 Your average five-year-old may be content to have mom or dad read him or her a story once in a while. But Bella-Jay Dark, who lives in the town of Weymouth, UK, not only reads her books, she writes them, as well, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. Bella-Jay had her storybook, *The Lost Cat*, published by Ginger Fyre Press and it is available for purchase on Amazon. In addition to making her parents proud, Bella-Jay earned the Guinness Record title of youngest person to write and publish a book.

3 Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton would like to invite the public to the newly renovated Kathy Steele Park Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at 4 - 5 p.m. to start conversations about any concerns, input, or suggestions that the public may have concerning the city. The Kathy Steele Park is located at 801 W. Main Street Crawfordsville, IN 47933.

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Expanding Education Options



Sen. Phil Boots

Starting this school year, families of special needs students will have more options

in how they tailor their child's learning through the newly implemented Education Scholarship Account Program (ESA).

Created by the General Assembly, an ESA provides families access to portable funds so they can create an educational environment that best meets the learning needs of their children.

Families who meet the same income limits as the Choice Scholarship program will have the opportunity to spend dedicated scholarship money on approved educational programs, therapies, services, tuition and fees, and other expenses related to the student's education.

The ESA will allow parents to have an even more active role in their child's day-to-day routine and ensure students are getting the specific instruction they need to succeed.

Applications for this program are open from June 27 through Aug. 5. To learn more about the program, and to apply, go to <https://www.in.gov/tos/inesa/>

Sen. Phil Boots represents Montgomery, Fountain, Parke, Vermillion and Warren counties and a portion of Boone County. He is one of the shareholders of The Paper of Montgomery County.

Butch's Daughter Is Still His "Little Girl"



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

My wife and I recently attended dance recitals for two of our granddaughters. Ava is

10 years old and takes lessons at Dance by Deborah with Deborah Kochert, while Iris just turned 3 years old and takes lessons at Sophana with Sophie Lingen. Both of the girls love to dance and perform in front of a crowd. Every child on the stage had a big smile on their face...the same for all the parents, grandparents, and others who came to watch.

When I watch my granddaughters, I think of my daughter when she was a little girl, and I always get a little teary-eyed. My wife and I have three sons...all college graduates...two police officers and a soldier (now turned real estate bro-

ker)...who we are very proud of. If you are a father, you know that boys grow up and become men who have their own families to worry about and provide for. Most fathers are a little more strict with their sons, as we try to mold them into becoming strong and resilient, and good providers for their wives and children. But if you have a daughter, it's different. A father's instinct is to provide protection and security for all of his children, but I think a little more so for their daughters. And since daughters tend to be more expressive than sons, they

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A Few 'Over Groan' Words

It happens about this time every year. Despite meaning well and good intentions, I've again become the neighborhood pariah.

Situated smack dab between the two-story modern with the terraced wall and the wrap-around deck to my west, and the venerable ranch on the east, with the two stately oaks in front and the neatly trimmed front lawn, lies my sprawling home -- Shambly Stadium.

I mow my one-acre yard -- front and back -- every week, rain or shine, and still somehow my property looks overgrown and shabby. It is lush with volunteer trees, brambles, and twining vines filling every scratch of sunlit soil or sod. I have accidentally accrued an entire registry of unwanted weed varieties and woody-stemmed plant species, enough to rival any botanical garden.



JOHN O. MARLOWE
With the Grain

It is never my intention to let my landscape get away from me. It's not like I rush out each year to buy the first copy of *Better Homes and Jungles*. I care about my residence, even though you can't always see it from the street.

I could use the excuse that my home is more than 60 years

old. However, there are older homes on my street that are kempt, if not immaculate. I could also use the fact that four of my five neighbors are now retired or approaching retirement, so they have lots of time on their hands for yard work. The fifth neighbor, however, works two jobs, is studying for his real estate license, and has two preschool age children. Explain to me why his yard looks gorgeous and mine doesn't, will you?

To be honest, I actually like having a wood lot in back. The extra revenue gleaned from harvesting the giant walnut trees -- the ones that the squirrels planted for me by burying the seeds -- could come in handy when it comes time to shuffle me off to the home.

I save money on curtains,

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:21 a.m.
SET: 9:20 p.m.

High/Low Temperatures
High: 81 °F
Low: 57 °F

Today is...

- Insurance Awareness Day
- Paul Bunyan Day

What Happened On This Day

- 1846 The saxophone is patented
- 1969 A police raid of a gay tavern sparks a series of violent clashes

Births On This Day

- 1491 Henry VIII of England
- 1926 Mel Brooks American actor, director, producer, writer

Deaths On This Day

- 1836 James Madison 4th President of the U.S.
- 1975 Rod Serling American screenwriter, producer, created *The Twilight Zone*



C'Ville Fireworks Hours

The City of Crawfordsville will be enforcing firework hours for the upcoming holiday. Fireworks may be used June 29 - July 3 and July 5 - July 9 from 5 p.m. - 12 a.m., and July 4 from 10 a.m.-12 a.m.

Stay safe and have a happy Fourth of July!

➔ HONEST HOOSIER

June is coming to a close, which means August is just around the corner. Wonder when we'll see the first Halloween store pop up?



➔ INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION

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➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Exercising at least five days a week can cut sick days in half. 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.



➔ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE
Want TO GO?

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

"You can waste your lives drawing lines. Or you can live your life crossing them."
Shonda Rhimes

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

If you ever choke to death on gummy bears, leave instructions to put in your obituary that you were killed by bears, and leave it at that.

➔ OBITUARIES
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OBITUARIES

Linda Jo Alexander

Dec. 7, 1945 - June 23, 2022

Linda Jo (Zimmerman) Alexander, age 76, of Crawfordsville, passed away on June 23, 2022, at Franciscan Health Lafayette.

She was born in Crawfordsville on Dec. 7, 1945, to the late Paul Robert and Wilma Jean (Hughes) Zimmerman.

She was married to Arch Alexander for 57 years.

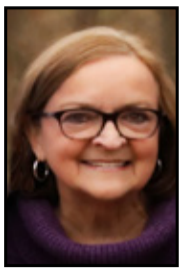
She graduated from New Market High School in 1963 and received a Bachelor's Degree in Home Economics Education and a Master's Degree in School Counseling and Personnel Services from Purdue University. She married Arch Alexander on Sept. 4, 1965; he survives. She retired from St. Elizabeth hospital where she worked as a histologist for many years.

She enjoyed crocheting, knitting, and sewing. She would knit hats for all her grandchildren and many other friends and family members. She sewed many costumes for grandkids that were in musicals and their cast mates. She loved to play board games and her favorite game was Settlers of Catan. She enjoyed outdoor activities such as camping and canoeing with her family or relaxing at the family cabin. She was an avid Purdue University Basketball fan, and she also loved attending all the sporting events that her 10 grandchildren participated in. She also enjoyed going to garage sales, antiquing, visiting new restaurants, trying new foods, and collecting many new recipes. She loved life, spending time with her family and cooking with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, Arch; three children, Angie (Matt) Williams, Brad (Lauren) Alexander and Archie (Alisa) Alexander; 10 grandchildren, Alivia, Marlin, Audrey, Molly, Caroline, Tabitha, Archie, Wesley, Willis and Adam; two brothers, Steve Zimmerman and Mike (Chris) Zimmerman; two nephews, Rodney Zimmerman, Brodie (Sheri) Zimmerman; and a niece, Steve (Tyler) Cornelius.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her nephew, Aaron Zimmerman.

There will be a service at the Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church, 307 S. Washington Street, in Crawfordsville on Thursday, July 7 at 5 p.m. Following the service, there will be a celebration of her life to be held at Stone Creek Lodge, 2865 Indiana 47 until 8 p.m. Linda did not love funerals. The family asks that you wear bright colors to these events as we remember all the great things about her life.



Larry W. Hall

Dec. 23, 2021

Larry Wayne Hall, 76, a former resident of Hillsboro, who passed away on Dec. 23, 2021 in Dallas, Texas. A memorial gravesite service will be held in the Rose Hill Cemetery, Hillsboro, Ind. on Friday, July 1, 2022 at 11 a.m.

Condolences may be sent on line to www.mausfuneralhome.com.



Glory In Failure



SLIM RANDES
Columnist

Doc didn't expect any patients before 10 o'clock this morning, so he was up and coffee'd and gone by 6:30. Lewis Creek. The Lunker's hole on Lewis Creek.

The Lunker is a huge rainbow trout that everyone knows about and no one has caught. So far he has resisted flies, worms, salmon eggs, spinners, and even an imitation mouse that Dud tossed in there one time just to see if the Lunker had a bass's appetite.

Fish aren't really all that bright, but the Lunker seems to deserve membership to Fish Mensa. No matter how fine the leader a guy used, it didn't fool him. Trying to figure out what to use and how to use it has fueled arguments for several years now.

But Doc thinks he has figured out now. He has a super-fine tippet on his fly line, and used his magnifying glasses to tie a

midge that is so small that if he dropped it, it would be gone forever. Doc realizes that with that fine a line, he stands a good chance of having the Lunker simply snap it off and swim away. But that would be all right with Doc if the fish just came and took that fly, because no one else had come that close to catching him yet.

And there's that wonderful new fly rod that Doc made himself from a Sage blank he bought himself at Christmas. With that rod, he believes, he should be able to feel a fish breathe in that creek.

He was in the Mule Barn before 9 a.m., holding court at the philosophy counter and told the boys what happened.

"The Lunker came up from under that big rock ledge, you know?" Doc said. "And he came within ... maybe four inches of my fly as it went by."

"Four inches!" said Dud. "Hey, Doc, can you show me the pattern you tied for that?"

"Sure thing, Dud," said Doc, grinning.

Sometimes there can be great glory in failure.

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Diego Morales, Destiny Wells And Judge J. Michael Luttig

Two days before the Indiana Republican Convention gathered, we heard conservative retired federal Judge J. Michael Luttig tell the U.S. House Jan. 6 Select Committee what would have happened if Vice President Mike Pence had done President Trump's bidding in overturning the 2020 election. It would have been a "revolution within a constitutional crisis."

Three days after Hoosier Republicans convened, we heard Republican Arizona House Speaker Rusty Bowers recall the pressure from Rudy Giuliani to throw out the people's will and, instead, opt for illegal "contingent electors" to reinstall Trump despite losing the popular vote to Joe Biden by 7 million, as well as the Electoral College 306-232. Bowers said Giuliani told him, "We've got lots of theories; we just don't have the evidence."

And Republican Georgia Sec. of State Brad Raffensperger described the soundbite of the century from Trump ("I just want to find 11,780 votes" and "give me a break") and Trump's twisted description of non-existent fraud and 5,000 dead people voting. The actual number was four, Raffensperger said. "That's one, two, three, four people - not 4,000. But just a total of four, not 10,000, not 5,000."

Last Saturday, Hoosier Republicans voted on a second ballot to nominate Diego Morales over incumbent Sec. Holli Sullivan. There had been an Associated Press report in which he had referred to the 2020 presidential election as a "scam." The Morales campaign texted this, "I proudly voted for Trump twice, but Joe Biden was elected president in 2020 and legitimately occupies that office today. There were a number of irregularities in that election. Those kinds of actions are unacceptable."

But in a March 8 article appearing on the website "Hoosier State Today," Morales describes "deep skepticism regarding the accuracy of the 2020 presidential election. Let me make my own position on 2020 crystal clear: The 2020 election was flawed and the outcome is questionable."

Morales continues: "America First patriots remain committed, because it is the wound that will not heal until it is honestly addressed. Electing the right secretaries of state in every state of our union now represents a more important task than ever, as the stewards of our elections."

Morales' Democratic opponent, Destiny Wells, said on Tuesday, "He's saying he was misquoted in calling it a scam. I have the article printed where it was written by him. Diego wrote it. How is it that Diego misquoted himself?"

Wells added, "He is a part of the America First coalition of secretaries of state who have other agendas. That means he's part of that pack, that he's



BRIAN HOWEY
Howey Political Report

beholden to the notion that the election was stolen. I know he's walking that back right now."

Asked what his victory over Sullivan means, Morales answered, "I will say one word: Praise the Lord." Morales, who accused Gov. Eric Holcomb of "abusing his power" during the COVID-19 pandemic, added, "The vision today is to keep that American dream alive. We must secure our elections ... so we can increase voter confidence."

Morales vowed to purge voter rolls, limit absentee ballots, and allow voting only on election day. "No one in Indiana cemeteries will be allowed to vote," Morales told GOP delegates. The problem with that is, there is no evidence of dead Hoosiers voting.

"On Sunday I was

getting calls from Republicans," Wells said on Tuesday. "I mean, I'm from Martinsville. I am the black sheep of the family. I do not like it when people vilify Republicans. That's my family, that's my hometown, that's my best friend, who is treasurer on my campaign and is a Republican. I told her, 'If you don't have a party, come and hang out with us for the year' and she obliged. I know I'm going to have Republicans voting for me."

While Indiana isn't a swing state and will almost certainly vote for a Republican presidential nominee in 2024, the notion of installing an election denier as the state's top elections official is a dicey proposition.

Now, if you're a Hoosier Republican, this is probably the biggest take-away from Tuesday's Jan. 6 hearing: Raffensperger was asked why Donald Trump lost Georgia. "I've been traveling through the state of Georgia for a year now, and simply put, in a nutshell, what happened in fall of 2020 is that 28,000 Georgians skipped the presidential race, and yet they voted down-ballot in other races," Raffensperger said. "And the Republi-

can congressman ended up getting 33,000 more votes than President Trump, and that's why President Trump came up short."

Judge Luttig parted last Tuesday with this chilling warning: "Donald Trump and his allies and supporters are a clear and present danger to American democracy. They would attempt to overturn that 2024 election in the same way that they attempted to overturn the 2020 election, but succeed in 2024 where they failed in 2020. I don't speak those words lightly. I would have never spoken those words ever in my life, except that that's what the former president and his allies are telling us."

This is not a conspiracy cloaked in secret meetings in shadowy Washington alcoves. It was brazenly performed in plain sight, and it continues to this very day ... even here in Indiana.

The opinion piece from Diego Morales can be found at <https://hoosierstatetoday.com/stories/621591355-opinion-holli-sullivan-dodges-on-election-sanctity-i-will-lead>

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Indiana Chamber Of Commerce Gives Indiana Talent Network A New Home

The Indiana Chamber of Commerce is taking another step in reinforcing its commitment to lifting up the educational attainment and workforce skills of Hoosiers. The organization announced yesterday that through its Institute for Workforce Excellence it will be the new home for the Indiana Talent Network, which connects statewide stakeholders and regional collaborations in support of equitable talent policies and strategies.

The Indiana Talent Network has been coordinated by the Community Education Coalition, in partnership with its CivicLab, since its inception in 2017. With the Institute for Workforce Excellence's talent-centric mission, it's a natural resource to promote the Indiana Talent Network and have it reach more Hoosiers, says Todd Hurst, executive director of the Institute.

"In the coming months,

we will take full responsibility for coordinating and convening the Indiana Talent Network and look forward to partnering with its team to continue to identify priorities and establish goals around talent attraction, connection and development that will most aid the workforce and employers," he explains. "We also acknowledge the great work that has been done with the Network to date and especially applaud (CEO) John Burnett, (network strategist) Jeanna Berdel and (CivicLab executive director) Jack Hess for their efforts and dedication."

Adds Burnett, CEO of the Community Education Coalition and CivicLab co-founder, "We thank Jeanna Berdel for her amazing service to Indiana Talent Network. We have been searching for the right state-level partner to carry the program forward. The Institute for Workforce Excellence is a perfect fit.

We are grateful for the arrangement."

Historically, the Indiana Talent Network's mission has centered on enhancing best practices, providing interactive opportunities, fostering learning and creating a shared understanding of Indiana's workforce development systems. Hurst shares, "We intend to build on that foundation even more in order to prepare individuals and businesses to compete in today's talent-driven economy."

The Indiana Talent Network currently consists of representatives from nearly every region of the state and includes ongoing professional development and awareness experiences, as well as quarterly meetings that bring together regional education/workforce leaders to discuss and share information.

Offers Hurst, "We know that having regional intermediaries is critical

to effectively addressing systems-level workforce challenges so they can learn from one another. Perhaps more importantly, the Indiana Talent Network creates an avenue of communication to and from the state from regional partners who are doing the work on a daily basis within our communities across the state."

The Indiana Talent Network is part of a growing umbrella of workforce services offered by the Indiana Chamber via the Institute for Workforce Excellence. Work and Learn Indiana is the group's free work-based learning marketplace that matches employers with those looking to gain experience in that field. Also this summer, the Talent Resource Navigator tool will launch to serve employers, individuals and providers with the convenience of one-stop shopping for workforce-related needs.

Meeting Notes

Drainage Board Special Meeting Agenda

Monday, June 27, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.
Montgomery County Government Center, Community Meeting Room
1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, IN 47933

- I. Call To Order
- ii. Pledge Of Allegiance & Prayer
- iii. Bid Award
Claude Moody #583 - Reconstruction
- iv. Old Business
- v. Other Business
- vi. New Business
- vii. Public Comment
- viii. Adjournment

Senior Golf Results

The Crawfordsville Senior Golf League returned last week for another night on the course, and yet again it was a barn-burner.

The team consisting of Jim Long, Steve McLaughlin, Jay Fumia and Bill Combs shot 12-under par finished in third place.

Right behind them in second place, shooting 11-under par, was made up of Dave Hart, Dale

Wilson, John Lewis and Bill Sheldon.

One back from them at nine-under, finishing in third place, were Denny Wilson, Lou Mason, Steve Wingham and Larry Manlove.

The longest drive of the day from the 80 years and older group came from Dave Hart. Seems age is no obstacle to getting the ball down the fairway!

Crowdfunding Campaign Launched by State

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority launched a crowdfunding campaign this week to expand and preserve George Ade's historic estate into a community gathering space. If this crowdfunding campaign reaches its goal of raising \$50,000 by Aug. 25, the project led by George Ade Historic Preservation Commission will receive a matching grant as part of IHCD's CreatINg Places program. "So many influential writers and artists have called the Hoosier state their home," Crouch said. "We're thrilled for this opportunity to revitalize George Ade's estate while creating opportunities for community engagement for years to come."

Funds from this campaign will be used to create a one-of-a-kind community gathering place and garden to continue the legacy of George Ade, world-renowned author and playwright. The goal is to create a distinctive and inviting destination for the future while honoring the past. "We see this project

as a celebration of the history of Newton County," said Mike Davis, a member of the George Ade Historic Preservation Commission. "It's a renewed vision for Hazelden Estate that will not only recreate George Ade's historic gardens, but also bring families and communities together through its distinct museum, visitors center, and event space."

The CreatINg Places program began in 2016, projects have raised more than \$6.2 million in public funds and an additional \$5.2 million in matching IHCD funds. The program is available to projects located in Indiana communities. Non-profit entities (with 501c3 or 501c4 status) and Local Units of Government are eligible to apply.

Eligible projects must have a minimum total development cost of \$10,000, where the recipient will receive \$5,000 in IHCD matching funds should it successfully raise \$5,000 through Patronicity. IHCD will provide matching grant funds up to \$10,000 per project.



Karen Thada received the Area 4 Outstanding Volunteer Clock Award for her many hours of volunteering in the community at the Indiana Retired Teachers Association Meeting on June 8.

Meeting Notes

MCRTA

June 13, 2022
The June 13, 2022 meeting of the Montgomery County Retired Teachers Association was held at the Crawfordsville Public Library. President Kathy Steele led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation was given by Lynn Robison. Summer birthdays were recognized. President Steele welcomed guests and turned the program over to Sue Mullendore for the memorial service for those teachers from our county who had passed away this past year. Those remembered were: Dixie Boyles, Shari Larew, Bob Baird, Bob Nabors, Bill Richmond, Andy Anderson, Curt Allen, Nancy Servies, Chet Henson, Dick Walke, Jim Spenser, Mary Lynn Harris, and Wayne Tate. Many friends and family members of the deceased attended the ceremony and told the group wonderful memories of their loved ones.

Following the ceremony, a lunch was served by Trish Schwabe. Trish has been our caterer this past year and was thanked for her many delicious meals. President Steele called the

business meeting to order. Secretary Karen Patton read the minutes of the May meeting. Treasurer Larry Manlove gave the Treasurer's report. Both reports were approved by the membership. Pam Crull requested that someone take over the Membership Contact responsibility. She has done it for many years and needs someone to contact Kim Nixon if they are interested. Don Armbruster gave the Community Service Report. During the meeting \$144 was collected for the county backpack program. Kim Nixon reported that money is available for distribution from our MCCF account. The membership was asked for suggestions on how to distribute the money. The Foundation committee will meet to decide. It was announced that the Teacher-Friend program has started again. Interested members should contact Denise Walker.

President Steele brought to the membership the concern about safety in our schools. She suggested that members contact legislators to give them guidance. Nancy Buckles reported for the Member Concerns and Services Committee. Sever-

al get well cards have been sent out and congratulations to teachers Cynda Mellish, Kathy Steele, Karen Thada, Mary Lou Dawald, and Cherlyn Hunter who were recognized for their volunteer service the last two years. Membership chairs Debbie and Darrell Howard were recognized for their years of service. The constitution committee has made changes to the constitution for the organization and a copy of the changes will be sent to members by email. The changes will be voted on at the next meeting. Because of his many years of service, Larry Manlove and Darrell Howard were awarded honorary memberships.

President Steele reported on the Representative Assembly that was attended by Kathy Steele, Kim Nixon, Steve Frees, Larry Manlove, and Cherlyn Hunter on June 8th. Member Karen Thada received the Area 4 Outstanding Volunteer Clock award for her service to the community during 2021. Awards were also given to Cherlyn Hunter and Kathy Steele for community volunteer service during 2021. Since the Indiana Retired Teach-

ers Association Representative Assembly had not met during COVID, Kim Nixon (2020) and Mary Lou Dawald (2019) were mentioned as CASA award winners. Carol Homan (2020) and Cynda Mellish (2019) were also honored as Area 4 Outstanding Volunteer Clock award winners for community service.

President Steele announced that we will have a Retirement Planning Committee. Members would meet with teachers considering retirement and show a program from the state organization. Kathy also talked about the Ten Commandments of Human Relations.

The officers for next year were installed. They are President: Kim Nixon, Vice-President: Steve Frees, Secretary: Karen Patton, and Treasurer: Larry Manlove. New President, Kim Nixon, passed out a clipboard for members to sign up for committees and other responsibilities for the next school year.

The meeting was adjourned, and members were thanked for their contributions to the organization this past year. Door prizes were awarded.



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How the scam works: You receive a telephone call, email, text message, or a message on social media by someone alleging to be from a law enforcement agency. Scammers claim to represent agencies ranging from the local police to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to United States Border Services.

These impostors tell you there is a problem you need to resolve immediately—usually by sending them a fee. In one recent version of this scam, the impostor claims to have seized a package with your name on it. Now, they need a copy of your driver's license and mon-

ey to fix the issue. Scammers often threaten fines, arrest, or other penalties in an attempt to scare you into immediate action.

Here's the new twist! If you are hesitant, the scammers will offer to text or email doctored credentials to you, to confirm their identity. The badge is either stolen or has been edited to include a different name. But no matter how convincing the "badge" or the impostor's story may be, always do your research before acting. If you send these scammers money, they will disappear, and you won't be able to get it back.

How to avoid law enforcement impersonator scams

- Don't give into pressure. Even if the threats scare you, do not take immediate action. Hang up or ignore the message. If you think there is a possibility you have been contacted by a real law enforcement agent, call the agency directly using a

non-emergency number to confirm.

- Never send money to strangers. Scammers will probably ask you to wire funds or buy prepaid gift cards to pay the required "fines." Scammers prefer to receive money this way because it is hard to trace. Plus, you won't be able to get your money back.

- Guard your personal information carefully. Don't share information like your address, social security number, or bank account information without first making sure you are speaking to a legitimate official – even if they already have some of your information.

- Don't answer messages from strangers. Don't click on links or attachments in messages from strangers. They are probably part of a phishing scam. Block unsolicited calls and text messages immediately.

For more information Learn more about this scam from the Office of the Inspector General.

Read more about a similar government impostor scam and visit BBB.org/AvoidScams for more ways to avoid getting scammed.

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Missouri S&T Announces Honor List

Missouri University of Science and Technology announces Ross Lippencott of Waveland made the honor list for the Spring 2022 semester. Ross is a senior and is studying mechanical engineering.

To be included on the honor list, students must have carried a minimum of 12 hours and had grade point averages of 3.2 or above out of a possible 4.0.

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are usually more eager to show affection with simple gestures and expressions. Many fathers believe that their daughters will always take care of them and provide emotional support.

Shelle is our only daughter, and we are so proud of her, too. She worked for three years after high school, and then decided that she wanted to attend college. Although she made good grades in high school, she was worried that she might not be able to be successful at Purdue, but I knew otherwise. I told her, "You can do it!" She took a full-time class load and also worked part-time, gaining more confidence each semester...and graduated Phi Beta Kappa! She has been a teacher at Southmont for the last twenty years, and also now serves as the librarian at the high school. In May, she was voted as "Teacher of the Month," and deservedly so.

Shelle has been married for twenty years and has two children in high school, and even though she is now in her 40s,



I still think of her as if she is still 8 years old! There is just some natural instinct in men to be that way. I will never forget the time that she tripped and fell at my parents' house when she was 3 years old. When her head hit a screen door, she sustained a large gash in her eyebrow, and I took her to Culver Hospital to get stitches. As the nurse and I held her down so the doctor could numb the wound, she cried and

said, "Dad, please don't let them hurt me." It just tore my heart up. Like other parents in that situation, I wanted to trade places with her so she would suffer no pain. I have always wanted to be her "protector." My sons are that way with their daughters, too.

My wife is an only child, so Shelle has become not only a daughter to her, but also like the sister she never had. They talk all the time on



the phone, go shopping together, and both enjoy the 4-H and sports activities of Shelle's two children. I enjoy watching all of our grandkids, too, but when I watch Shelle's daughter, Macee, or when she stays overnight with us, it's like watching Shelle again. I guess I am secretly wishing that she was still a little girl and living with us.

As my favorite poet Edgar Guest stated: "Pudgy nose or freck-

led face, Fairy-like or plain to see, God has surely blessed the place, Where a little girl may be; They're the jewels of His crown, Dropped to earth from Heaven above, Like wee angel souls sent down, To remind us of His love. God has made some lovely things, Roses red and skies of blue, Trees and babbling silver springs, Gardens glistening with dew; But take every gift to man, Big and little...great and

small, Judge it on its merits, and...Little girls are best of all!"

Well, we love all of our children the same. They are very special to us, and we are glad that God blessed us with four great kids. My little boys are now grown men with their own ideas and ways of doing things. And yes, Shelle is a grown woman with her own ideas and ways of doing things, too. But two years ago, for Christmas, she gave me a sterling silver key ring with the following inscription... "I'll always be your little girl...you'll always be my hero." It wasn't an expensive gift, but it was one of the best presents I have ever received. And yes...my eyes watered up again! Because she knows that I will always think of her as "my little girl." Shelle, dear...I love you. You are the best daughter I could ever ask for!

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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too. Curtains are totally unnecessary when right outside your window is Tarzan's front yard.

On the other hand, it bothers me that the neighbors talk about me. I hear them use words that I know are directed at me. Words like:

Hedge Fund noun

Money needed for the law suit. You know, the one when I can't see around the untrimmed bushes by the driveway, and back into the mail-man?

Triskaidekaphobia noun

The extreme fear that my rickety deck will collapse under the weight of

one more

Trisket-eunymus verb

Suggesting that I don't know who planted the clinging vine now engulfing my neighbor's fence.

Sarcasm noun

The giant hole in my vegetable garden that I fill with sardine heads, like

the pilgrims did.

Zero-Turning Radius adjective

Failing to correctly install the steering shaft into the steering gear on my mower, and running through my neighbor's privet hedge.

Porch Swing verb

Action taken to ward

off carpenter bees while sitting on my porch.

Deadheading verb

Trimming tree branches with a pole saw.

Meadow noun

Medical bills from the above.

When I hear these words coming from my

friends, it upsets me.

I'm half tempted to stop pulling out my poison ivy, and let it roam across the street. But then, I like my neighbors. I wouldn't want to do something rash.

John O. Marlowe is an award-winning columnist for Sagamore News Media

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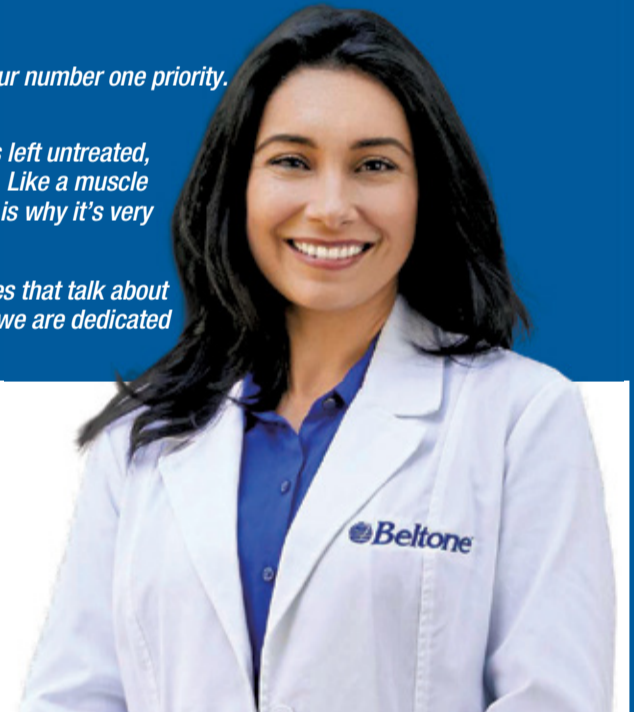
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