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Montgomery County Is Booming: Local Firework Shows And Events For Independence Day



New Richmond
56th July 4th Festival
• Games
• Obstacle Courses
• Bingo
• Bounces Houses
• Ponies
• Slides
• More Inflatables
• Prizes & Gas Cards
• Fun For All
7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Breakfast served by local Masonic Lodge
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Cruise In & Ride In
10 a.m. - End
Food Vendors available for all

1 p.m. - Dark
Bounce Houses & Games
4 p.m. - Dusk
Bingo with Marvin Swick (56th Year)
1 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Drawings for freezer of meat from Masonic Lodge
PLUS 5 - \$100 Gas Cards
7 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Fly Over
9:30 p.m.
National Anthem/God Bless the USA
Stage Show
Open Stage
Local Band Abby
NMHS Chargers
Extreme Dance Team

Crawfordsville
Milligan Park
7 - 10 p.m.
There will be free activities for kids including face painting and inflatables.
Food trucks will include kettle corn, Wildfire 348, Hoosier Ice Queen, and Street Penguin Gelato

Ladoga
Annual 4th of July Parade
Lineup starts at 10:30 a.m. at the school
Corner of Taylor and Hickory Street
Parade starts at 11 a.m.
Hope you can join us as we celebrate our 1776 freedom!
If you have any questions please contact Dave Orwig
765-376-2800

Covington
62nd annual Covington Fourth of July Celebration will be held at the city park.
Entertainment, food, and bingo.
Fireworks will be at 10 p.m.

Everyone at The Paper of Montgomery County would like to wish you a Happy Fourth of July! Stay safe and enjoy the celebrations!

TODAY'S QUOTE

"True patriotism hates injustice in its own land more than anywhere else."
Clarence Darrow

TODAY'S JOKE

What does the U.S. and a healthy person have in common?
They both have good constitutions!

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

See your dentist regularly - dental disease can contribute to a number of health problems. 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.



HONEST HOOSIER

Before I take a break tomorrow, here's a tip of the seed corn cap to Uncle Sam and Lady Liberty - one of my most favoritest of couples! (And don't forget that on July 4, 1800, Congress created the great territory of Indiana!)



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



Position hiring for: Auto Body and Paint technician
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 Have an eye for design?
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 • There aren't many benefits. But you can qualify for unpaid vacations
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SUNDAY

Obituaries

Sunday, July 3, 2022

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Linda Sue (Updike) Richmond

Oct. 20, 1937 - June 23, 2022

Linda Sue Richmond passed away peacefully at her home in Whitford Place on June 23, 2022, at the age of 84.

She was born in Huntington, Ind. on October 20, 1937, to Claude and Helen Updike.

The family moved to Crawfordsville when she was a young girl. She was a 1955 graduate of Crawfordsville High School and still shared a close friendship with many lifelong friends.

On June 15, 1957, she married her husband of 64 years, Bill Richmond. He preceded her in death in January of this year. They had five children, Kathy Mola of Dayton, Ohio, Lisa (Bob) Kaeser of Lafayette, Leigh Ann (Pat) Vacendak of Crawfordsville, Kent (Kristie) Richmond of Crawfordsville, and Monica (Greg) of Elgin, Ill. She and Bill have 11 grandchildren, four great grandchildren, two nephews and three nieces. She is also survived by her beloved brother, Richard Updike, of West Lafayette.

She worked in the Montgomery County Auditors Office for many years and also worked for The California Pellet Mill for 25 years, retiring in 2000. After her retirement, she worked part time at Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church, where she is a member, as the Christian Education Director.

She loved playing cards and belonged to several bridge and euchre clubs. She volunteered for Meals on Wheels and in the clothing pantry at church. She belonged to the women's group and enjoyed working on the bazaar every year and making noodles with her friends.

She always maintained a close relationship with her brother and with all of her cousins from Huntington. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and her son in law Roger Mola.

Visitation will be held Monday, June 27 from 4-8 p.m. at Hunt and Son Funeral Home on Grant Ave. Funeral Services will be held Tuesday, June 28 at 11 a.m. at Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church with visitation one hour before the service. The Reverend John Van Nuyes will officiate. Burial will be immediately following service at Oak Hill Cemetery.

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.

Heather Brooke Stewart

Nov. 14, 1978 - June 25, 2022

Heather Brooke Stewart passed away June 25, 2022 surrounded by loved ones.

She was born Nov. 14, 1978 to James Stewart and Linda Brooks (Griggs).

She grew up in Crawfordsville, and graduated from South Montgomery High School. She went on to graduate from PJ's College of Cosmetology.

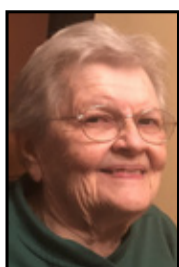
She loved doing her hair and make up. She loved her friends and most importantly her family. Her favorite thing in life was to spend time with her granddaughters. She will be missed by many.

Survivors include her mother and step father, Linda (Brooks) and Harry Griggs; her daughter, Jacelyn Stewart; granddaughters, Odessa and Olivia; and son, Ian Lane. And many, many friends.

She is preceded in death by her father, James Stewart.

Her memorial service will be held Saturday July 2 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Hunt and Son Funeral Home.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.huntandson.com



Patricia Ann (Bold) Reimondo

June 13, 1943 - June 23, 2022

Patricia Ann (Bold) Reimondo, 79, of Crawfordsville, passed away peacefully - surrounded by her family - June 23, 2022, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

She was born June 13, 1943, in Titusville, Penn., the first of four children born to Joseph and Ann Bold.

She married Norman J. Reimondo on July 10, 1965 and he survives.

Survivors include her children, Susan (Keith) Stark, St. Charles, Ill., Lynda Reimondo, Barrington, Ill. and Robert (Nicki) Reimondo, Crawfordsville; grandchildren, Matthew and Jacob Stark, Lauren Hough, and Jack (Tayla), Sophie, Ryan, Vince and Rachel Reimondo. She is also survived by her sister, Beverly Cauvel, Titusville; and brothers, John Bold, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Tom Bold, Titusville.

She loved her friends and family dearly and enriched their lives more than words can explain.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Services will be at St. Bernard Catholic Church, 1306 E Main St, Crawfordsville on Friday, July 1, 2022.

Calling hours: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., with Celebration of Life Mass: 12 p.m. Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery.

Donations in memory of Patricia Reimondo may be made to the Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County, 1104 Big Four Arch Road, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 or by visiting mcawll.com.

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, antiques, 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. Share memories and condolences online at www.sandersfuneralcare.com



Zachary T. Carter

Feb. 14, 2001 - June 22, 2022

On Wednesday, June 22, 2022, Zachary (Zach) Thomas Carter, loving son, brother, grandson, nephew and cousin, passed away at the age of 21.

He was born Feb. 14, 2001 in Crawfordsville, Ind. to Robert (Chris) and Lisa (Crowder) Carter.

He worked along side his uncle, Thomas Crowder, at S.T.A.R Ambulance in Crawfordsville, Ind. as a medical dispatcher. He had a passion for photography and used that to help inspire friends and family with the beauty of the world. He was enrolled to continue his education in Computer and Information Science this fall at Vincennes University in Vincennes, Ind.

Survivors include his mother Lisa; step-father, Patrick Russell both of Veedersburg; two brothers, Blake (Lindsay) Carter, Crawfordsville, Ind. and Dawson (Allyson) Carter, Fort Worth, Texas; grandparents, Tom and Patty Crowder of Hillsboro, Ind. and Bob and Melody Carter of Paxton, Ill., several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert.

Friends may call at the Hillsboro Church of the Nazarene, 453 S. State Road 341, Hillsboro on Tuesday, June 28 from 3 p.m. until service time at 7 p.m., with Pastor Greg McDonald officiating. The family asks that you make a donation to NAMI or AFSP. Family asks that you wear your crocs in memory of Zachary.

~ "Keep shining your way through the dark, because you have no idea who might be following your light. Keep shining your way through the dark, because you have no idea who might be following your light in search of peace."

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

Gary L. Bullock

July 27, 1952 - June 27, 2022

Gary L. Bullock, 69 of Crawfordsville passed away at home Monday.

He was born July 27, 1952 in Crawfordsville to Lawrence and Janet Harnisch Bullock.

Mr. Bullock was a 1970 graduate of Crawfordsville High School. He worked for the Norfolk Southern Railroad retiring in 2012. He enjoyed going to Elston Park to watch softball games. He loved bowling having bowled 5 "300's". He bowled for 25 consecutive years in the Nationals and was inducted in the Hall of Fame March 27, 2018.

He was married to Arlanda Jo Kendricks on March 13, 2004, she survives.

Survivors also include his mother; his children, Brandy (Brent) Harrison and Jennifer (Stanley) Nisonger; siblings, Brenda (Chris) Priebe, Sandi (Dick) Butler and Wayne Bullock; two grandchildren, Shania Harrison and Naomi Sermersheim; as well as several cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his father; brothers, Keith and Duane; and mother-in-law, Delores Kendricks.

Funeral services will be held 7 p.m. Thursday at Hunt & Son Funeral Home with Pastor Aaron Bridgman officiating. Visitation will be from 4 - 7 p.m. Cremation will follow the service.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.huntandson.com



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Jasper

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1. What percentage of people live in Rensselaer? \geq
2. How old is Jasper County? \leq
3. How old was Jasper County when the courthouse was built? \geq
4. What is the population density of the county? \leq

Answers: 1. 17.5 2. 181 Years 3. 60 Years Old 4. 59 / sq. mi.

Did You Know?

- Jasper County was formed in 1838 and was named for Sgt. William Jasper, a famous scout for the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War
- Rensselaer, the county seat, has a total population of 5,859 residents.
- Former home to Saint Joseph's College.
- The Jasper County courthouse was built in 1898 at a total cost of \$141,731.94.
- The county is 561.39 square miles and has a population of 33,478 residents.

Got Words?

The Jasper County Courthouse has a historic clock tower on top of the building. Montgomery County recently added a clock tower to our courthouse. What do you think is the cultural impact of having a landmark such as that atop a courthouse?

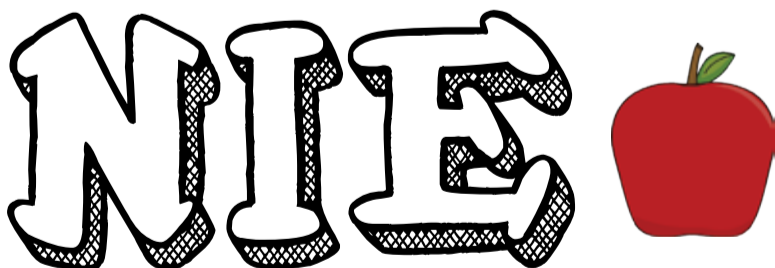
Word Scrambler

Unscramble the words below!

1. ILAWMLI JSRAEP
2. SATIN JSHOPES
3. ESERAERNLS
4. EPSJRA YUOCTN
5. ORSCUHEUOT

Answers: 1. William Jasper 2. Saint Josephs 3. Rensselaer 4. Jasper County 5. Courthouse

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Fossils In The 'Cradle Of Humankind' May Be More Than A Million Years Older Than Previously Thought

The earth doesn't give up its secrets easily – not even in the “Cradle of Humankind” in South Africa, where a wealth of fossils relating to human evolution have been found.

For decades, scientists have studied these fossils of early human ancestors and their long-lost relatives. Now, a dating method developed by a Purdue University geologist just pushed the age of some of these fossils found at the site of Sterkfontein Caves back more than a million years. This would make them older than Dinkinesh, also called Lucy, the world's most famous Australopithecus fossil.

The “Cradle of Humankind” is a UNESCO World Heritage Site in South Africa that comprises a variety of fossil-bearing cave deposits, including at Sterkfontein Caves. Sterkfontein was made famous by the discovery of the first adult Australopithecus, an ancient hominin, in 1936. Hominins includes humans and our ancestral relatives, but not the other great apes. Since then, hundreds of Australopithecus fossils have been found there, including the well-known Mrs. Ples, and the nearly complete skeleton known as Little Foot. Paleoanthropologists and other scientists have studied Sterkfontein and other cave sites in the Cradle of Humankind for decades to shed light on human and environmental evolution over the past 4 million years.

Darryl Granger, a professor of earth, atmospheric, and planetary sciences in Purdue University's College of Science, is one of those scientists, working as part of an international team. Granger specializes in dating geologic deposits,

including those in caves. As a doctoral student, he devised a method for dating buried cave sediments that is now used by researchers all over the world. His previous work at Sterkfontein dated the Little Foot skeleton to about 3.7 million years old, but scientists are still debating the age of other fossils at the site.

In a study published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Granger and a team of scientists including researchers from the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa and the University Toulouse Jean Jaurès in France, have discovered that not only Little Foot, but all of the Australopithecus-bearing cave sediments date from about 3.4 to 3.7 million years old, rather than 2-2.5 million years old as scientists previously theorized. That age places these fossils toward the beginning of the Australopithecus era, rather than near the end. Dinkinesh, who hails from Ethiopia, is 3.2 million years old, and her species, Australopithecus africanus, hails back to about 3.9 million years old.

Sterkfontein is a deep and complex cave system that preserves a long history of hominin occupation of the area. Understanding the dates of the fossils here can be tricky, as rocks and bones tumbled to the bottom of a deep hole in the ground, and there are few ways to date cave sediments.

In East Africa, where many hominin fossils have been found, the Great Rift Valley volcanoes lay down layers of ash that can be dated. Researchers use those layers to estimate how old a fossil is. In South Africa – especially

in a cave – the scientists don't have that luxury. They typically use other animal fossils found around the bones to estimate their age or calcite flowstone deposited in the cave. But bones can shift in the cave, and young flowstone can be deposited in old sediment, making those methods potentially incorrect. A more accurate method is to date the actual rocks in which the fossils were found. The concrete-like matrix that embeds the fossil, called breccia, is the material Granger and his team analyze.

“Sterkfontein has more Australopithecus fossils than anywhere else in the world,” Granger said. “But it's hard to get a good date on them. People have looked at the animal fossils found near them and compared the ages of cave features like flowstones and gotten a range of different dates. What our data does is resolve these controversies. It shows that these fossils are old – much older than we originally thought.”

Granger and the team used accelerator mass spectrometry to measure radioactive nuclides in the rocks, as well as geologic mapping and an intimate understanding of how cave sediments accumulate to determine the age of the Australopithecus-bearing sediments at Sterkfontein.

Granger and the research group at the Purdue Rare Isotope Measurement Laboratory (PRIME Lab) study so-called cosmogenic nuclides and what they can reveal about the history of fossils, geological features and rock. Cosmogenic nuclides are extremely rare isotopes produced by cosmic rays – high-energy particles that constantly bombard the earth. These incoming

cosmic rays have enough energy to cause nuclear reactions inside rocks at the ground surface, creating new, radioactive isotopes within the mineral crystals. An example is aluminum-26: aluminum that is missing a neutron and slowly decays to turn into magnesium over a period of millions of years. Since aluminum-26 is formed when a rock is exposed at the surface, but not after it has been deeply buried in a cave, PRIME lab researchers can date cave sediments (and the fossils within them) by measuring levels of aluminum-26 in tandem with another cosmogenic nuclide, beryllium-10.

In addition to the new dates at Sterkfontein based on cosmogenic nuclides, the research team made careful maps of the cave deposits and showed how animal fossils of different ages would have been mixed together during excavations in the 1930s and 1940s, leading to decades of confusion with the previous ages. “What I hope is that this convinces people that this dating method gives reliable results,” Granger said. “Using this method, we can more accurately place ancient humans and their relatives in the correct time periods, in Africa, and elsewhere across the world.”

The age of the fossils matters because it influences scientists' understanding of the living landscape of the time. How and where humans evolved, how they fit into the ecosystem, and who their closest relatives are and were, are pressing and complex questions. Putting the fossils at Sterkfontein into their proper context is one step towards solving the entire puzzle.

Lt. Gov. Crouch, OCRA Announce Availability Of Historic Renovation Grant Program Funding

The Historic Renovation Grant Program will open for applications on July 6, according to Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. The program is designed to preserve and rehabilitate historic properties to further incentivize downtown economic development across Indiana.

“Indiana is home to many beautiful, historic buildings, however maintaining these structures can often be costly,” Crouch said. “This grant provides financial support to communities to carry out necessary projects for their historic buildings, helping keep Indiana's rich history alive.”

Applicants with an eligible historic commercial structure can apply for project funding between \$5,000 and \$100,000. The request must be no more than 50% of eligible project costs, with the local match being greater than or equal to 50% of the total eligible project costs.

“The Historic Renovation Grant Program

has already helped many communities around the state preserve and restore important structures,” said OCRA Executive Director Denny Spinner. “The program will have a lasting impact and help keep history alive within the communities awarded.”

Since the creation of HRGP in 2016, OCRA has funded 71 projects for over \$4 million in state funds and leveraged more than \$25 million in private investment.

To be considered for funding, applicants must receive an approved Certificate of Approval from the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology by Aug. 28, 2022. Completed grant applications must be received by OCRA before 4 p.m. ET on Oct. 5, 2022. Eligible applicants include non-profits, individuals, partnerships, firms, associations, joint ventures, limited liability companies, corporation or non-profit affordable housing organization.

For more information, visit in.gov/ocra/hrgp.

Researching Your Irish Ancestors Online – Searching And Browsing For Success

By Debra M. Dudek

You will learn online tools and resources to help solve the puzzle of your Irish heritage. This lecture will introduce you to a variety of online sites, new search strategies and what steps to take to further your research objectives online and abroad.

Debra M. Dudek is Head of Adult and Teen Services at the Fountaindale Public Library District in Bolingbrook, IL. She holds a post graduate certificate in Genealogical, Palaeographic & Heraldic Studies from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland. Ms. Dudek is the Book Review Editor of the Illinois State genealogical Society, a board member of the Illinois State Historical Society, Chapter Librarian of the Chicago Chapter NSDAR, and is the author of the World War 1 Research Guide: Tracing American Military and Non-Combatant Ancestors.

This program is FREE

to WVGS members, and will be held via Zoom on July 11 2022 at 6:30 p.m. If you are not a member, you may join this meeting and all of the following meetings in 2022 by sending \$15 per individual, or \$20 per family to Wabash Valley Genealogy Society, P O Box 7012, Terre Haute, IN 47802-7012. If you wish to pay using Paypal, add \$2 to each choice. You can obtain the application by going to www.inwvgs.org. Click on membership. Watch this site to see more upcoming events or check WVGS Facebook page. Send application at least one week before the meeting date.

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Walleye And Saugeye Stocked This Spring Await Anglers

The outlook for walleye and saugeye fishing looks good for upcoming years after a total of 28.3 million walleye fry, 529,404 walleye fingerlings, and 101,800 saugeye were at various locations around Indiana this spring.

Stocking for these species is scheduled annually because they don't reproduce naturally in most locations.

Fry were stocked at the end of April, while walleye and hybrid walleye fingerlings were stocked at the end of May and early this month. Typically, walleye and hybrid walleye will reach 14 inches two years after being stocked and 16 inches after three years.

Because this year was successful for egg collection, hatching rates for fry,

and fingerling production, hatchery staff and biologists were able to fully stock all requested locations, including a few that were on the surplus list.

“Expect good walleye fishing to continue in future years,” said Tom Bacula, DNR fisheries biologist.

These lakes, with their counties in parentheses, were stocked as follows:

Walleye fry were stocked at Bass (Starke), Brookville (Franklin and Union), Eagle Creek (Marion), Mississinewa (Wabash), Monroe (Brown and Monroe), and Patoka (Orange, Dubois, and Crawford).

Walleye fingerlings were stocked at Cagles Mill (Owen and Putnam), Freeman (Carroll), Kokomo Reservoir (Howard), Lake

of the Woods (Marshall), Pike (Kosciusko), Prairie Creek Reservoir (Delaware), Shafer (White), Summit (Henry), and Oakdale Dam on Tippecanoe River (Carroll).

Saugeye fingerlings were stocked at Glenn Flint (Putnam), Huntingburg (Dubois), Koteewi Park (Hamilton), and Sullivan (Sullivan).

The statewide bag limit for walleye, sauger, and saugeye is six fish per day in combination. For walleye, the minimum size limit is 14 inches for waters south of State Road 26 and 16 inches for waters north of State Road 26. Lakes with walleye exceptions are Bass (Starke) and Wolf (Lake) where the minimum is 14 inches, Lake George (Steuben) where the minimum

is 15 inches, and Wall (LaGrange) where the minimum is 16 inches with a two fish daily bag limit.

There is no size limit on saugeye (or on sauger) except on Huntingburg Lake (Dubois), Glenn Flint Lake (Putnam), and Sullivan Lake (Sullivan) where the minimum size limit is 14 inches. Ohio River has a minimum size limit of 14 inches and a six fish combination limit per day for walleye, sauger, and saugeye.

Learn more about fishing for walleye: wildlife. IN.gov/fishing/walleye-fishing. Read about fish stocking in Indiana: <https://www.in.gov/dnr/fish-and-wildlife/fishing/indiana-fish-stocking/>

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Military Tribute Banner Program Honors Those Who Served

The Dorothy Q Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) has a long history of honoring those who serve in the military. They are now offering Montgomery County residents an opportunity to recognize and honor veterans and active military in a very special manner. To date, the towns of Lebanon, Brownsburg, Danville and Plainfield, Pittsboro, Clayton have approved the program to display military banners on their street light poles.

Chapter Member, Michele Borden, is excited about the banner project. "This is a wonderful way to honor and recognize those who served or are still serving our country in the military. The public is very excited about the program. Although, we are just now publicly

announcing the endeavor, we have several requests from those who have heard of the project, with some families purchasing multiple banners." Borden added, "The chapter has never undertaken a project of this type so in addition to the public's enthusiasm, the officials of Crawfordsville have been very supportive and accommodating as we begin this new venture."

To be eligible, an individual must have served, be honorably discharged or currently serving in the United States Armed Forces and have a valid connection to Montgomery County, past or present. The individual may be living, deceased, POW or MIA. Each banner will include the name, branch of service and conflict, if any. This program honors all veterans, whether in

time of conflict or peace.

The vinyl banners, measuring approximately 30" x 65", will depict the individual on both sides and will be displayed for 1 year, from November 2022 to November 2023. Once the banners are removed, they will be returned to the purchaser.

Applicants purchasing banners must complete and sign an application attesting information submitted is true and correct (the chapter does reserve the right to request verification of military service), and will agree to not hold Dorothy Q Chapter or the individual town responsible for damage, theft, or acts of violence to banners, nor should they expect replacement should these instances occur.

Applications are being taken on a first come, first serve basis and will

continue through September 1, 2022. Applications must be fully completed and submitted with payment of \$125 and a high-quality photo in uniform. An 8x10 photo is desired. Photos may be black and white or color. Low quality photos and photos less than 5x7 will not be accepted. Photos will be returned.

Borden urges anyone wishing to participate in the program to apply early to ensure securing space on one of the allotted poles.

If you would like to honor a family member who served or is currently serving in the United States military, contact Michele Borden at 765-366-7708 mlborden@mymetronet.net or contact Judy Fifer at 765-362-5641 judithfifer56@gmail.com

New Abortion Law Goes Into Effect

New protections for pregnant women and girls against coerced abortions goes into effect Thursday in Indiana. The new law makes it a level six felony to knowingly or intentionally coerce a woman to have an abortion, and requires abortion providers and other professionals to report coercion to law enforcement.

Violation of the new law is punishable by a prison term ranging from six months to two-and-a-half years and a fine of up to \$10,000. Any medical facility that employs a mandatory reporter who fails to report coercion is subject to a Class C infraction.

"This is a law everyone on either side of the issue should be able to get behind," said Indiana Right to Life Chief Executive Officer Mike Fichter. "Coercion is a real problem, especially for women and girls who are victims of domestic abuse and human trafficking – and women who feel powerless to fight aggressive pressure to have an abortion. And this new law has a lot of safeguards that have never existed before in Indiana statute."

The full list of safeguards include:

- A woman must be asked at least 18 hours before an abortion, in a private setting, if she is being coerced into having an abortion.

- If coercion is suspected, she must be informed that coercion is illegal.

- She must also be informed that a demand by the father to have an abortion does not relieve him of financial responsibilities if she wants to continue her pregnancy and parent her baby. He would still be responsible for child support.

- Suspected victims of coerced abortion must be provided with information about assistance, counseling, protective services, access to a phone if they need to make a private call, and access to an alternative exit from the facility.

- A mandatory reporter must report every instance of coerced abortion to law enforcement.

- An abortion on a woman who is a suspected victim of coercion cannot be done during the 24-hour period after a report is made to law enforcement.

- Law enforcement is required to immediately

initiate an investigation into the reported coercion.

"We know women can face tremendous outside pressure from their partners or family to make the life-changing decision to end their pregnancy," State Representative Joanna King said. "We crafted this law to protect these women from coercion, and give them an opportunity to escape a bad situation and connect to resources that can help."

A study of 1,000 women in the Journal of American Physicians and Surgeons, found that 75 percent of survey participants who had an abortion said they experienced "at least subtle forms of pressure to terminate their pregnancies."

Among Indiana's more than 100 pregnancy resource centers, their directors know that traffickers bring women and girls into their facilities for free pregnancy tests before going the route of an abortion.

And statistics show that more than half of trafficking victims have had at least one abortion.

According to a report from The Charlotte Lozier Institute, 71 percent of women trapped in trafficking got pregnant at least once; 21 percent got pregnant five or more times; 55 percent had at least one abortion; and 30 percent reported multiple abortions.

"Protecting Hoosier women against a coerced abortion is an important step in upholding human dignity," State Senator Liz Brown said. "HEA 1217 implements safeguards to ensure women pressured into ending a pregnancy can protect themselves and their child, and I am pleased to have sponsored a law that will make Indiana a safer place for women."

Annually, more than 8,000 babies are aborted in Indiana each year, with nearly 3,000 of those preborn children being babies of color. Since Roe was decided 50 years ago, medical science has proven that unborn babies have a heartbeat, develop brain-wave activity, can hear, develop noses, mouths, fingernails, organs and nervous system, and can kick, grasp objects and hiccup – all well before 15 weeks of development.

Since 1973, almost 540,000 babies have been aborted in Indiana.

New Report Shows Rural Voters Rely On Vote By Mail And Early Voting

Voters in rural areas across the country heavily rely on alternative ways to vote, including voting by mail and in-person early voting, and newly proposed state legislation would restrict their ability to cast a ballot, according to a new report by the nonpartisan election policy group Secure Democracy USA. The report, *The Forgotten Voters: How Current Threats to Voting Hurt Rural Americans*, found that nearly half of all rural voters in the United States voted by mail or voted early in-person in the 2020 election.

"Nothing should restrict an American's ability to make their voice heard and vote, regardless of where you live or what method you use to cast your ballot," said Daniel Griffith, Senior Policy Director at Secure Democracy USA who helped author the report. "Rural voters are often forgotten in policy debates around election changes, but this report shows that voters in rural areas are often most at risk when our freedom to vote is restricted."

As we approach the 2022 general election and see the impact of the new

wave of voting restrictions passed at the state level over the last two years, this report previews the barriers rural voters will face when casting their ballot. The report provides a glimpse into the demographics and voting preferences of voters living in rural counties across the country and makes policy recommendations to increase voting access and improve election administration.

The key findings of the report include:

- Nearly half of all rural voters voted early in 2020. In the 2020 general election, roughly 47% of voters living in rural areas voted before Election Day, either by in-person early voting (25%) or mail-in voting (22%). Overall, Election Day voting declined by 30% in rural counties from 2016 to 2020.

- Voting rates are higher in rural areas with at-will absentee voting. While rural voters' use of mail-in voting significantly increased in the 2020 election, the availability of mail-in voting also appears to have increased turnout in rural areas. The rate of turnout among voters in

rural counties that did not require an excuse to vote by mail in 2020 was nearly 8 percent higher than in rural counties that required a qualifying reason to vote by mail.

- Many rural voters depend on same day voter registration. In the 2020 general election, 9% of all same day registrations came from voters living in rural counties, despite the fact that rural counties accounted for only 6% of registrants.

- When voting in-person, rural voters generally have to travel farther to cast their ballot. 50% of urban polling places serve an area of less than 2 square miles, while 50% of rural county polling places serve an area greater than 62 square miles.

- Voters in states with higher rural populations are more likely to face barriers to voting by mail. These barriers include needing an excuse to vote by mail; strict witness, notary, or photocopy requirements for ballot verification; limited postal service coverage that makes it hard to meet ballot receipt deadlines; no process to fix (cure) common, minor mistakes such as forgetting

a signature; no offerings of drop boxes; and no prepared paid postage for mail ballots.

- Many rural voters lack access to online voter registration. Only seven states provide no online voter registration option, instead requiring voters to register by mail or in-person. Those states (Arkansas, Mississippi, Montana, New Hampshire, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming) have large rural populations. This is burdensome on rural voters who often live far from their municipal or county clerk's office or post office.

Secure Democracy USA is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that works to build confidence in our elections and improve voter access across the United States. We educate policymakers and the public about what it takes to safeguard our voting systems. We use sophisticated survey and messaging research to inform our strategy and we collaborate with state leaders, election administrators, policy experts, and allies to ensure that all eligible citizens have the freedom to vote how they choose.

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POP UP Cooking Creativity

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As an important life skill, learning to cook and becoming familiar with kitchen basics can be an exciting adventure for kids from toddlers to teens. Using a delicious childhood favorite like popcorn as the key ingredient at the center of your lessons can spur interest and enthusiasm.

Along with understanding measurements and safety, teaching your children how to make simple recipes also offers opportunities to bond and make memories that can last a lifetime. Popcorn is a snack food associated with good times and it's versatile enough to encourage creativity.

While it's important to start with easy techniques that introduce future chefs to the culinary world, it's also helpful to ensure they'll enjoy eating their first creations so they'll be eager for more time in the kitchen.

As a whole grain that's 100% unprocessed with no additional additives, hidden ingredients or GMOs, air-popped popcorn has only 30 calories per cup and offers a whole grain that provides energy-producing complex carbohydrates. Because whole grains are important sources of nutrients such as zinc, magnesium, B vitamins and fiber, you can instill the values of nutritious snacking all while having some fun.

These simple yet delicious recipes and tips can help you get your kids involved in the kitchen.

Encourage Creativity

Making learning fun is an important introduction to the world of cooking. Starting with a versatile base ingredient like popcorn that's naturally low in fat and calories, encourage your child to get creative with a recipe like Pop-a-rific Popcorn Balls. With simple variations like adding food coloring or mixing in candies, nuts or dried fruit, it's a colorful way for little ones to build confidence in their skills.

Measure Ingredients

A key component to recipes of all difficulty levels, teaching measurements from teaspoons and tablespoons to cups, ounces and more is valuable knowledge. Start with the basics like these Simple Popcorn S'mores that call for popcorn and graham crackers to be measured out in cups so your child can focus on one unit of measurement. Then, if little ones are helping, have an adult melt the chocolate and drizzle for a family-favorite snack.

Get Messy

Learning how to create and explore is often productive (and fun) when children can get their hands dirty. Sweet 'n' Salty Popcorn Pretzel Sticks are a perfect canvas for letting kiddos work directly with the ingredients as they can roll pretzels in peanut butter, add sprinkles to their heart's content and press popcorn into their newfound favorite treat.

Find more kid-friendly recipes to get the whole family involved in the kitchen at popcorn.org.

Sweet 'n' Salty Popcorn Pretzel Sticks

Servings: 6

- 6 tablespoons peanut butter
- 6 large pretzel rods
- 3 cups popped popcorn
- sugar sprinkles
- 3/4 cup mini chocolate chips (optional)

Spread 1 tablespoon peanut butter over one pretzel, leaving 2-inch "handle" without peanut butter. Repeat with remaining peanut butter and pretzels.

Press and roll popcorn onto peanut butter to coat each pretzel. Sprinkle with sugar sprinkles.

To make optional chocolate drizzle: Place chocolate chips in small resealable plastic bag and seal bag. Microwave 30 seconds, or until chocolate is melted.

Clip small corner from bag and squeeze to drizzle chocolate over popcorn.

Sprinkle with additional sugar sprinkles. Allow chocolate to harden before serving.



Simple Popcorn S'mores

Yield: 10 cups

- 10 cups freshly popped popcorn
- 1 package (10 1/2 ounces) miniature marshmallows
- 2 cups graham crackers, broken into small pieces
- 1/2 cup milk chocolate, melted

On baking sheet, combine popcorn, marshmallows and graham crackers. Drizzle with melted chocolate and cool.

Pop-a-rific Popcorn Balls

Yield: 14 balls

- 3 quarts popped popcorn, unsalted
- 1 package (1 pound) marshmallows
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine

Place popped popcorn in large bowl.

In large saucepan over low heat, cook marshmallows and butter or margarine until melted and smooth. Pour over popcorn, tossing gently to mix well. Cool 5 minutes.

Butter hands well and form into 2 1/2-inch balls.

Variations: To color popcorn balls, add 3-4 drops of food coloring to smooth marshmallow mixture. Mix well to distribute color evenly then pour over popcorn as instructed.

Mix in candies, nuts or dried fruit after mixing popcorn and melted marshmallows. Stir to distribute then form into balls.

Place nonpareils in shallow bowl or plate. Roll popcorn balls in nonpareils after forming.



DIY Popcorn Bar



Whether you're entertaining guests, hosting a houseful of kids or simply enjoying a weekend at home, a DIY popcorn bar provides a tasty and joyful way for children and adults alike to create their own version of an afternoon snack. Just set out a few ingredients and watch the fun unfold.

- Small popcorn bags, bowls or cups
- Scoops or spoons
- Popped popcorn
- Peanuts (remember to ask fellow parents if their children may have an allergy)
- Candies
- Raisins
- Chocolate chips
- Seasonings
- ❖❖❖ Shredded cheese
- Shredded coconut
- Melted butter

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Sweet Summer Treats that Beat the Heat

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Whether your family's ideal summer day consists of swimming, hiking, biking or simply enjoying the sunshine, all that time in the heat calls for a sweet way to cool off. It's hard to beat a homemade treat loaded with favorite summertime flavors that's as cold and creamy as it is sweet and delicious.

For a lighter, better-for-you solution, this Watermelon Gelato has about half the fat and fewer calories than traditional ice cream but with equally mouthwatering flavor. In fact, the word "gelato" means "ice cream" in Italian, and while the two frozen desserts have much in common, gelato is typically lower in fat with more density.

If you're looking for an added touch of tastiness, try adding a few chocolate chips to the mix in the last few minutes of churning in your ice cream maker, or simply add some on top before serving.

When a summer weekend offers opportunities for morning kitchen lessons with the kiddos, they can help measure ingredients for Watermelon Ice Cream Bars and watch the magic happen as you mix up a watermelon curd, homemade crust and whipped cream. Once your creation freezes completely throughout the day, turn out and cut into bars for a cold afternoon treat following all that fun in the sun.

While sweet and tasty, these desserts also provide a bite of hydration with the power of watermelon, which is 92% water for a delicious way to rehydrate. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, daily fluid intake is defined as the amount of water consumed from foods, plain drinking water and other beverages, meaning you don't have to rely only on what you drink to meet your fluid needs.

Because what you eat also provides a significant portion of daily fluids, fruits and vegetables like watermelon can help you and your family stay hydrated for whatever summer days bring your way.

Find more sweet summer recipe ideas at Watermelon.org.



Watermelon Gelato

Servings: 8

- 2 cups pureed watermelon
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 cup fat-free half-and-half
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1/2 cup whipping cream

In blender, blend watermelon, sugar, cornstarch, half-and-half, lemon juice and whipping cream until smooth.

Using ice cream maker, process gelato according to manufacturer's instructions.



Watermelon Ice Cream Bars

Servings: 8

Watermelon Curd:

- 3/4 cup watermelon juice
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1 pinch salt
- 3 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1/2 cup butter (1 stick), cut into small cubes

Crust:

- 8 graham crackers, crushed
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1 pinch salt
- 4 tablespoons butter, melted and cooled
- basil leaves, for garnish

Whipped Cream:

- 1 cup heavy whipping cream

To make watermelon curd: In medium, heavy-bottomed saucepan, combine watermelon juice, lime juice, honey and salt. Stir to combine then add eggs.

Place pan over medium heat and cook, adding cubed butter to pan and stirring constantly, until mixture

thickens and coats back of wooden spoon. Immediately remove from heat and carefully pour through fine mesh sieve. Cool completely in refrigerator.

To make crust: Preheat oven to 350 F.

In food processor, pulse graham crackers until rough crumbs form. Add honey, salt and melted butter; pulse until mixture resembles wet sand.

Line 8-by-8-inch pan with parchment paper then press graham cracker mixture into bottom of pan in even layer. Bake crust about 10 minutes, or until just beginning to brown. Allow crust to cool completely.

To make whipped cream: When crust and curd are completely cooled, in large bowl, whip cream until stiff peaks form.

Gently push cream to one side of bowl and pour in watermelon curd. Using spatula, gently fold cream and watermelon curd together until no streaks are visible.

Pour creamy watermelon mixture over graham cracker crust. Freeze dessert completely, 4-6 hours or overnight.

When ready to serve, loosen sides with small spatula or butter knife. Turn out onto cutting board and use large spatula to flip so graham cracker crust is on bottom. Cut into eight bars and top each with basil leaf.

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Managing Garden Pests With Pollinators In Mind

By Melinda Myers
Every garden season is filled with beautiful and tasty surprises along with a few challenges. One challenge gardeners face each year is managing insect pests while keeping the pollinators safe. Fortunately, only a very small percent of insects in our landscapes are harmful. The rest help pollinate plants, feed upon or parasitize bad insects, or help decompose plant debris.

Proper identification of the plant-damaging culprit is the first step in managing problems. Often the insect that is most visible is not the one causing the damage. You can find lots of helpful information and images online. Look for websites hosted by your local University, extension service or botanical garden. They often provide timely tips on pests in your area.

Once identified, you will need to decide if control is needed. Some insect damage is just cosmetic meaning the plant's health and longevity are not adversely affected it just looks bad. In these cases, control is for us not the health of our plants. Consider tolerating the damage and masking it with nearby plantings or garden art.

In other cases, the damage is done, and the insect is no longer present. Revenge spraying may make you feel better but does nothing to fix the problem. Make a note on next year's calendar to watch for and manage the pest if you feel control is really needed. Finding pest problems early makes hand removal easier and may be all that is needed.

Often when we see the damage on our plants, control will not help. Many galls, unusual growths on plants, are caused by insect feeding. When we see the gall, the insect is either safely living inside the gall or it has fled to complete another stage of its life. At that point, control will not work and in most cases, this is a cosmetic issue



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An ecofriendly way to manage small populations of Japanese beetles is to knock them into a can of soapy water.

and control is not needed.

Work with nature to help manage pest problems. By tolerating some damage, you provide the food that attracts nature's pest controllers to the garden. Watch for aphid eating lady beetles and green lacewings that eat hundreds of these pests each day. Invite songbirds to your landscape with seed and berry producing plants and a clean, fresh source of water. Ninety six percent of terrestrial birds feed their young insects. And then there are those non-stinging, parasitizing wasps that lay their eggs in other insects. When the eggs hatch the young feed on the host. Avoid pesticides and provide water and shelter to attract and support insect eating toads and frogs.

Enlist help from the youngsters in your life. Try the pluck, drop, and stomp method. Teach young gardeners to identify problem insects, pick them off the plants by hand, drop them to the ground and stomp. What a great way to teach kids about nature and help them burn off some of their excess energy.

Handpicking or knocking insects like Japanese beetles into a can of soapy water is a great way to manage small populations of pests. A fellow horticulturist uses a small hand vacuum to capture Japanese beetles. Just be

sure to empty the insect filled vacuum contents into a can of soapy water before storing.

If you decide you need to lend nature a hand managing garden pests, look for more ecofriendly options. Barriers of floating row covers – fabrics that allow air, light, and water through – can keep cabbage worms, onion maggots, Japanese beetles, and some other insects from laying their eggs on their favorite plants. Cover the plants with the fabric at planting, anchor the edges and leave enough slack for plants to grow. No construction is needed.

Covering squash plants at planting until flowering begins can help reduce the risk of squash bugs and squash vine borers. Covering cucumbers at planting until ten days after flowering begins helps reduce the risk of cucumber beetles infecting these plants with the bacteria that causes wilt. The row covers also prevent birds from dining on the seeds and seedlings.

Cover late plantings of susceptible plants as needed this season. Then make a note on next year's calendar to enlist this method for controlling these types of pests for your first planting next year.

Enlist the help of the naturally occurring soil bacteria *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt) to protect

plants from certain pests. Different strains of this bacteria control different insects. Bt kurstaki only kills true caterpillars. Using this on members of the cabbage family won't harm other butterflies since these plants only attract the cabbage worm moths. Bt galleriae will control Japanese and other beetles.

Use a strong blast of water to dislodge mites and aphids. These pests suck plant juices and secrete a clear sticky substance called honeydew. Extensive feeding can cause distorted growth, speckling, yellowing, and browning of the leaves.

If more control is needed, look for help from one of the organic contact insecticides like Summit Year-Round Spray Oil, a lightweight horticulture oil. These products kill the insects they contact but leave no residue on the plants that can harm beneficial insects that visit the plants later.

Whenever using any product, even natural and organic, be sure to read and follow label directions. This will ensure the best control and least negative impact on beneficial insects and the environment.

Take a few notes on pests you encounter, any management strategies used and the results. This will help when encountering problems in the future. With minimal time and a bit of creativity you can keep your garden looking good all season long.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released *Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything"* DVD instant video series and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment* TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and her website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Rethink Your Lawn

(Family Features) Who has time to continuously care for that carpet-like, green grass almost everyone longs for? Nearly no one. Cultivating a lush, green lawn takes time, can be expensive and is a mainstay on weekend to-do lists spring through fall. Now that's a serious commitment.

Traditional turf lawns require a lot of maintenance. You must mow and remove weeds often, plus the amount of water usage can be staggering. The average American family uses 320 gallons of water per day, about 30% devoted to outdoor uses, according to the EPA.

More than half of that is used for watering lawns and gardens. Nationwide, landscape irrigation is estimated to account for almost one-third of all residential water use, totaling nearly 9 billion gallons per day.

It's about time to rethink the obsession with turf grass lawns and take a page from the past; clover can help create a great-looking lawn. Several decades ago, clover was considered so essential for lawns that it was a standard component in lawn seed mixes and wasn't considered a weed. Clover was branded a weed when agricultural chemical companies created herbicides to rid lawns of broadleaf plants. The herbicides had no effect on grass, but killed everything else, clovers included, which is how clover became identified as a weed.

It's not too late to renovate your lawn and reintroduce the springy, soft, green carpet of clover back into your lawn. It's fluffy on the feet, aids in both weed and erosion control and, when used to overseed existing lawns, fills in bare spots fast.

Today, as interest grows in more natural, eco-friendly ways to care for grass, you might consider totally replacing your lawn with an option like Miniclover, which should not be confused with invasive white Dutch clover.

"Miniclover is about one-third to half the size of white Dutch clover, producing a thick, carpet-like appearance that blends well with turf," said Troy Hake, president and owner of Outsidepride.com, which offers

a multitude of seeds, including grasses, clovers, wildflowers, herbs and more. "It's especially attractive, cost effective, eco-friendly and can help you get that thick, lush, green lawn your neighbors will envy."

In addition to providing weed and erosion control, the fluffy lawn alternative offers a variety of benefits:

Nitrogen fixer. Miniclover takes nitrogen from the air and "fixes" it in your soil, eliminating the need to apply nitrogen plant food because it does the work for you, keeping lawns green and growing while adding natural nitrogen to the soil.

Drought tolerant. Miniclover has longer, deeper roots than turf grass, reaching down into the soil for the moisture they need, so you won't need to water as much during normal weather conditions. Plus, it stays green year-round and is resistant to drought and tolerates wet conditions.

Controls weeds. Its dense structure and growth habits help suppress existing weeds and the establishment of new weeds, as it grows via stolons (stems that grow horizontally along the ground).

Low to no maintenance. You can mow Miniclover - the more it's cut, the smaller the leaf size - or simply let it grow, as it only grows 4-6 inches tall and doesn't get unwieldy, making it an ideal lawn alternative or healthy addition to your lawn.

Thrives in sun to partial shade. Unlike some turf-grass types, Miniclover does well in partial shade that receives at least some direct sunshine daily.

Stands up to foot traffic. It has superior wear tolerance over turf grass, does well in compacted soil and fills bare spots quickly.

Makes great groundcover. Grow it alone or, because of its adaptability and ability to grow in a wide variety of conditions, combine it with other groundcover plants, like creeping phlox, ivy and thyme.

It's time to rethink typical lawn turf and try an ecofriendly alternative to replace or renovate your lawn. For more information, visit Outsidepride.com.



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Tree Talk

4 tips for planting trees

FAMILY FEATURES

Trees are virtually everywhere you turn, from your own backyard to nearby parks and forests where you enjoy hiking. They provide shade and beauty, and some even bear fruit. Beyond all the immediate benefits, you may be surprised to discover trees are also a critical key to the future.

These facts and tips from the book "Now is the Time for Trees" offer practical insight on the importance of trees and how to nurture one from selection to planting and beyond.

A compelling and ever-growing body of evidence generated by scientists, health care professionals, conservationists, humanitarians and both public and private corporations supports the critical importance of trees and their impact on the human condition. Trees filter pollutants out of the air and water and provide protection for people and communities from dangerous heat and flooding. They lower urban temperatures, reduce energy bills and sequester carbon to slow the rate of climate change.

When you plant a tree in your yard or neighborhood, that tree goes to work filtering out pollutants, intercepting stormwater and capturing carbon. With proper placement, that tree can also help lower household energy use by as much as 20%.

You can engage in the tree planting movement and make a difference by planting trees around your home and surrounding community with these tips.

Consider the Growing Region

Choosing a tree that will flourish in your growing region is fundamental to becoming a successful tree planter. Start by getting familiar with the growing conditions of your planting site, including factors like sunlight, soil condition and room to grow.

The amount of available sunlight at your planting location will determine which tree species will be successful. Most trees require full sunlight for proper growth and flowering. Some do well in (or even prefer) partial or light shade, but few perform well in dense shade.

Before you plant, get your soil tested by a lab to evaluate what's happening underground. Test results, which are usually returned in a couple of weeks, provide a complete analysis of nutrients, possible contamination and pH (alkalinity or acidity), as well as directions for correcting problems.

Be conscious of overhead or underground utilities, pavement, buildings, other trees, traffic intersections and other factors that may impact your planting space.

Shopping for a Tree

When choosing which kind of tree to plant, be conscious of details like size, flowering, color (including how colors may vary through the seasons) and your view from inside the house. While shopping, you can rely on plant labels to learn details about a tree's growth pattern, sun requirements, watering needs and soil requirements.

Two common styles of trees are container-grown trees, which spend their entire nursery lives growing in a container, and ball-and-burlap trees, which grow in the ground until they achieve a targeted size.

A well-tended container-grown tree has been carefully monitored and moved into larger containers as the plant grows. Be wary of a tree with roots that circle or twist within the container, which may cause roots to die. For a ball-and-burlap tree, look for a firm, securely tied root ball that is large enough to support the mature tree; it should be about 10-12 inches wide for every inch of trunk diameter.

Prepare Your Planting Site

Properly preparing your planting site is one of the best things you can do to get your tree off to a strong start. Before you plant, make sure your tree is thoroughly hydrated by watering the container or root ball several hours before proceeding. When planting a tree into a lawn, remove a circle of grass at least 3 feet in diameter where the tree will go to reduce competition between turf and fine tree roots.

Start Digging

Dig a broad, shallow planting hole with gently sloping sides 3-4 times wider than the diameter of the root mass and the same depth. Mound removed soil on a tarp for easy backfilling. Loosening the soil on the sides of the hole allows roots to easily expand and establish faster, but don't disturb soil at the bottom of the hole.

Once the tree is positioned, replace the soil while firmly but gently tamping the original soil around the base of the root ball to stabilize it. Create a water-holding basin around the tree by building up a ring of soil and water to settle roots. Spread protective mulch 2-4 inches deep in a 3-foot diameter around the base of the tree, but not touching the trunk.

Find more tips to successfully plant and care for your trees at arborday.org.



The Power of Trees

From backyards to tropical rain forests, trees provide the necessities of life. Trees clean air and water, provide habitats for wildlife, connect communities and support human health.

- Trees are a proven affordable, natural way to pull carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere.
- Trees filter water and slow storm surge and flooding in cities.
- Trees provide shade, cooling cities by up to 10 degrees, which can help prevent heat-related deaths.
- Neighborhood trees can reduce stress, improve overall health in children and encourage physical activity.
- Trees support wildlife and aquatic life by providing habitats and helping keep waterways healthy, which ensures ecosystem balance and promotes biodiversity.
- Trees and other forest life work together to ensure a clean source of drinking water, buffer against extreme weather, provide medicines, offer outdoor recreation and enrich human culture.

A Handy Guide for Planting Trees

A rally cry against climate change, "Now is the Time for Trees" is an inspirational and informative guide that explains the important role trees can play in preserving the environment.

Author Dan Lambe, CEO of the Arbor Day Foundation, offers compelling reasons to plant more trees while providing simple, actionable steps to get involved, choose the right tree and achieve planting success. For each book sold, the foundation will plant a tree in a forest in need.

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Discovery Park District Highlights The Success, Visible Impact Of University-Private-Community Partnerships

The Discovery Park District at Purdue, a \$1 billion mixed-use development embedded into the fabric of the Purdue University campus, highlights the early success of a vision to establish a thriving “live-work-play” community and the impact of university-private-community partnerships.

That’s powered by the hundreds of new jobs supporting aerospace and high-tech industry manufacturing and cutting-edge research facilities; a newly announced microhospital; a planned event venue and additional retail establishments, joining high-end offices; and a multiphase development of townhomes, condominiums, apartments and single-family homes with additional plans for senior-living housing.

And there’s much more to come as Purdue and its key local and global partners take the steps to capitalize on the growing national trend for those who want to live, work, play and — the latest — retire near a prosperous and progressive university community.

“President Daniels conceived and championed this idea as a way to build the Greater Lafayette economy while making the nearby campus environment exciting and attractive so Purdue can recruit the talent it needs for the future,” said Brian Edelman, president of the Purdue Research Foundation.

Purdue Research Foundation is leading the development of the 400-acre district. Already ahead of its 30-year timeline, the district has transformed the west end of the campus into a gateway for intellectual discourse and commercial and industrial collaboration.

According to the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, \$889.5 million worth of public investment and \$1.5 billion in private-sector investment flowed into Greater Lafayette from 2015-20, much of that through the Discovery Park District at Purdue.

The depth and breadth of the public-private investment project is visible through the progress in the district, which has expanded beyond the State Street Redevelopment Project and the established Discovery Park interdisciplinary research complex of facilities that Purdue launched in 2001.

“The Discovery Park District at Purdue will continue to grow and evolve as corporate partners locate jobs and workers to the area,” Edelman said. “Our job is to make sure the corporations that decide to locate in the Discovery Park District ‘receive the keys’ to Purdue University, ensuring that all of the research and recruiting in-

terests of the companies are met and met at the speed of business. Additionally, the vision of Discovery Park District at Purdue calls for providing the options for housing, entertainment, health care, education and lifestyle amenities that those workers need.”

Rolls-Royce, Saab and Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories have brought millions of investment dollars to the district and have taken advantage of Purdue’s engineering and technology expertise. More importantly, they’ve added hundreds of jobs to the community.

Aerospace engine manufacturer Rolls-Royce announced plans in April to grow its already sizable and long-standing investment in the district. Through a \$204 million project, the United Kingdom-based company will expand one building and construct two test facilities, creating 30 jobs that will pay average annual salaries in excess of \$90,000.

Rolls-Royce’s plans include: A 60,000-square-foot hybrid electric/controls facility. This facility will be added to the Purdue Technology Center Aerospace facility branded with Rolls-Royce’s name between U.S. 231 and Newnan Road. It will accelerate the development of hybrid electric technologies.

A 23,500-square-foot altitude testing facility that would allow simulation and testing at the altitude of the latest-technology aero engines.

A 280,392-square-foot test utility building that would feed air into the altitude test facility and to the planned Hypersonic Ground Test Center, which would be hosted by Purdue. Known as HGTC, the massive test center that was announced last August would be the first-of-its-kind facility in the U.S., where a nonprofit consortium of defense industry firms can test in Mach 3.5-5.0 and Mach 4.5-7.5 ranges.

Sweden-based global defense and security company Saab, meanwhile, opened its \$37 million manufacturing facility last October near Maurice J. Zucrow Laboratories. Its employment is expected to reach 300 by 2027. The Saab facility, first announced in May 2019, supports production of the U.S. Air Force’s next-generation Boeing T-X advanced pilot training aircraft, which will be used to train future Air Force pilots for generations to come.

Schweitzer Engineering opened its \$20 million facility in February 2020 on the west edge of Discovery Park District on U.S. 231. There, 300 employees focus on electric power research and development. The founder of the Pullman,

Washington-based company is Purdue electrical engineering alum Edmund O. Schweitzer III, who created the first digital protective relay in 1982, revolutionizing the electrical protection industry.

These industry partnerships also represent major wins for the national security and technology initiative of Purdue’s Next Moves in advancing the university’s efforts to become the U.S. epicenter of hypersonics activity.

And strategically and geographically positioned as a hub for academic and industry partnering in the district is the Convergence Center for Innovation and Collaboration, billed as the “business front door to Purdue University.” Convergence has 143,000 square feet of space, including 22,000 square feet of LEED silver-certified flexible office space. It also has 6,000 square feet of available retail space.

Convergence is now home to the Purdue Foundry, which supports Purdue’s growing startup community. The Purdue Office of Technology Commercialization and Purdue’s Office of Corporate and Global Partnerships also are housed in Convergence. Other major Convergence tenants, supported by co-working industry pioneer Carr Workplaces, include:

Wabash, a Lafayette-based leader of engineered solutions for the transportation, logistics and distribution industries.

Bayer, a global life sciences, health care and agricultural company, which will use the space to employ students to provide support in information technology, data science and engineering.

Beck’s, an Indiana family-owned and -operated seed company, which has opened a satellite location.

Celebrating Discovery Park District at Purdue

Discovery Park District at Purdue hosted a day of discovery and next-generation solutions on May 25, highlighting innovations such as 6G and Lab to Life for moving from testbed to scalable, real-world deployment into neighborhoods like Discovery Park District. Here’s the lineup of the panel and autonomous tech showcase videos from the celebration event:

Global Roadmap to 6G: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUv2AFHe8m4>

Lab to Life: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c-GjJ4gXTF9M>

Smart Cities: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BSSA1zDB6EU>

Tech Showcase (all presentations): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=42ZgipCAB4g>

Purdue Research Foundation Wins Challenge To Invalidate Technology Patent

The Patent Trial and Appeal Board at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on Thursday (June 23) denied STMicroelectronics’ challenge to the patentability of a Purdue University patent involving silicon carbide semiconductors.

US 7,498,633 covers groundbreaking technology invented by Purdue’s James Cooper and his graduate student/postdoc Asmita Saha. The denied petition was filed by STMicroelectronics in response to Purdue’s patent infringement lawsuit and was an attempt to invalidate the patent and, thereby, stop the litigation.

“This is a great victory for Purdue,” said Ken Waite, chief patent counsel and director of intellectual property at the Purdue Research Foundation Office of Technology Commercialization. “It means that the patent office has examined the prior art cited by STMicro and has ruled that it does not even raise a legitimate question of patentability. This is an excellent result, as the majority of such requests are granted by the patent office, resulting in a proceeding that can, and often does, invalidate a granted U.S. patent.”

Brooke Beier is senior vice president of commercialization at the Purdue Research Foundation. She said the Office of Technology Commercialization serves as a great steward for intellectual property created by researchers at all Purdue University campuses.

“We take managing and protecting Purdue IP very seriously throughout the process from the initial invention disclosure by Purdue researchers through

vetting, marketing, licensing it to established companies and startups and beyond,” she said. “We follow the letter of the law through each step, holding ourselves and others accountable.”

About Purdue Research Foundation Office of Technology Commercialization

The Purdue Research Foundation Office of Technology Commercialization operates one of the most comprehensive technology transfer programs among leading research universities in the U.S. Services provided by this office support the economic development initiatives of Purdue University and benefit the university’s academic activities through commercializing, licensing and protecting Purdue intellectual property. The office is housed in the Convergence Center for Innovation and Collaboration in Discovery Park District at Purdue, adjacent to the Purdue campus. In fiscal year 2021, the office reported 159 deals finalized with 236 technologies signed, 394 disclosures received and 187 issued U.S. patents. The office is managed by the Purdue Research Foundation, which received the 2019 Innovation and Economic Prosperity Universities Award for Place from the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities.

In 2020, IPWatchdog Institute ranked Purdue third nationally in startup creation and in the top 20 for patents. The Purdue Research Foundation is a private, nonprofit foundation created to advance the mission of Purdue University. Contact otcip@prf.org for more information.

Purdue Federal Names Colleen Shepherd The New Community Outreach Director

Purdue Federal Credit Union (Purdue Federal) is proud to spotlight the recently created Community Outreach Director position within the Financial Wellness Department. “Community outreach supports Purdue Federal’s social mission of providing financial education and services to youth, college students, under-banked, credit challenged and financially unprepared,” says Purdue Federal VP of Operations, Evelyn Royer. Colleen Shepherd assumes the position with a passion for serving the community she grew up in. In her role, Shepherd is responsible for presenting and providing personalized financial resources to not-for-profits within Tippecanoe County. She strives to provide financial wellness beyond membership and regardless of financial status. In Colleen’s words, “The most exciting part about my role is that I get to spend the majority of my week working with individuals in my community that struggle with financial stressors and help them achieve financial success regardless of the magnitude.”

Evelyn states, “Colleen’s position allows Purdue Federal to

have a dedicated resource to build the community outreach program.” Colleen brings 16 years of retail banking management experience to the community and credit union with 7 years concentrated in financial wellness. She is skilled in both one-to-one and group financial education. Looking ahead, Colleen is eager to focus her efforts on the community and see the impact she will be making in the lives of others.

About Purdue Federal
Purdue Federal Credit Union was founded on the Purdue University campus in 1969 by a group of university employees. Through its 10 full-service branches, three satellite branches and innovative digital banking solutions, Purdue Federal offers members a full menu of financial products ranging from locally serviced mortgages, credit cards and business loans to checking, savings and other deposit accounts. Purdue Federal is a member-owned financial cooperative with more than 83,000 members nationwide and assets exceeding \$1.8 billion. Its mission is to be their members’ trusted financial partner for life.



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Indiana Building Momentum In Semiconductor Ecosystem

Earlier this week, during the SelectUSA Investment Summit, Governor Eric J. Holcomb and Indiana Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers joined Purdue Dean of Engineering Dr. Mung Chiang and executives from MediaTek to announce the company's plans to create a new chip design center in partnership with Purdue University. The company plans to create new high-paying jobs in Tippecanoe County to support the new center, establishing a new microelectronics ecosystem in West Lafayette.

"As a global company, MediaTek has literally a world of options at its fingertips, and we couldn't be more thrilled that they've chosen Indiana to grow and build the foundation and future of the semiconductor industry alongside the brightest minds in the world," said Gov. Holcomb. "MediaTek chose a thriving, top-rated university with innovation expertise and a strong talent pipeline that will power these quality careers for decades to come."

Headquartered in Hsinchu, Taiwan, MediaTek plans to create its new semiconductor design center in the Convergence Center for Innovation and Collaboration within

the Purdue University Discovery Park District. The company is working with Purdue to establish a partnership for a chip design focus in engineering education, as well as joint research into next-generation computing and communications chip design. This novel partnership in Indiana, MediaTek's first with a U.S. university, represents a new growth model for MediaTek USA, as most chip design operations are clustered on the coasts.

"We believe strongly that being in Indiana means we'll have access to some of the best engineering talent in the world," said Dr. Kou-Hung Lawrence Loh, corporate senior vice president of MediaTek and president of MediaTek USA. "Not just at Purdue, but West Lafayette is only four hours away from nearly a dozen of the top engineering schools in the country. In the post-pandemic world, top candidates tell us they want to be closer to home, near family, and they want to have a real house and great schools. Indiana offers all that and more."

MediaTek is the world's fourth largest global semiconductor company, providing chips for wireless communica-

tions, high-definition television, handheld mobile devices like smartphones and tablet computers, navigation systems and consumer multimedia products.

The idea for the new design center resulted from discussions during Gov. Holcomb and Sec. Chambers' trip to Silicon Valley in late 2021, convening chip CEOs to pitch Indiana's commitment to the semiconductor sector. Today's news also comes on the heels of Indiana's recent Global Economic Summit where the state launched its Accelerating Microelectronics Production and Development (AMPD) task force to leverage the state's advanced manufacturing expertise to solve the global chip shortage.

"Today's MediaTek's chip design center investment is a testament to Indiana's advanced manufacturing expertise, our world-class university talent combined with our state's best in class business-friendly climate and focus on higher wage industries of the future," said Sec. Chambers. "Our team fully expects that MediaTek's announcement is just the beginning of semiconductor investment in Indiana, and in the coming years the AMPD task force will be

instrumental in facilitating further investment momentum from this critically important industry to the state."

Founded in 1997 and operating in the U.S. since 2001, MediaTek employs more than 19,000 associates worldwide, including 500 employees in eight different locations along the U.S. coasts. MediaTek will begin hiring in West Lafayette for electrical engineering and chip design positions soon, in addition to the search for an industry-leading technologist to lead the new center.

"Attracting a world-class chip design firm to Indiana has been a long-time goal for our team," said Purdue University President Mitch Daniels. "I applaud Secretary Chambers, the IEDC and, of course, the whole team here at Purdue for doing the hard work necessary to get a global company to take a look at Indiana and all we have to offer. The MediaTek investment confirms Indiana's emergence as a center of semiconductor technology, and Purdue's Discovery Park District as the state's premier new economic engine."

Based on the company's plans to create up to 30 new high-paying positions, the Indiana

Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) committed an investment in MediaTek USA Inc. of up to \$1.4 million in the form of incentive-based tax credits. These tax credits are performance-based, meaning the company is eligible to claim incentives once Hoosiers are hired. The Purdue Research Foundation offered additional incentives.

Indiana is home to more than 1,090 foreign-owned business establishments, representing more than 40 countries and territories including nine from Taiwan. In 2021, 47 foreign-owned businesses committed to locating or growing in Indiana.

About MediaTek Inc. MediaTek Incorporated (TWSE: 2454) is a global fabless semiconductor company that enables nearly 2 billion connected devices a year. We are a market leader in developing innovative systems-on-chip (SoC) for mobile device, home entertainment, connectivity and IoT products. Our dedication to innovation has positioned us as a driving market force in several key technology areas, including highly power-efficient mobile technologies, automotive solutions and a

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About IEDC The Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) is charged with growing the State economy, driving economic development, helping businesses launch, grow and locate in the state. Led by Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers, @SecChambersIN, and governed by a 15-member board chaired by Governor Eric J. Holcomb, @GovHolcomb, the IEDC manages many initiatives, including performance-based tax credits, workforce training grants, innovation and entrepreneurship resources, public infrastructure assistance, and talent attraction and retention efforts. For more information about the IEDC, visit iedc.in.gov.

Spokenote, LLC, Launches Innovative Product That Lets You "Add Video To Anything"

After over a decade of advancing Indiana's startup ecosystem, entrepreneur and community leader John Wechsler has launched a new company of his own. The new technology company — Spokenote, LLC — debuts today with the nationwide launch of spokenote™ stickers, the company's first product.

Spokenote's printed stickers provide a gateway to a video creation and sharing platform. Each spokenote sticker features a unique spokenote™ code that users can pair with a recorded or uploaded video. Once the code and video are

paired, anyone who scans the code on the sticker can view that video.

"With a spokenote sticker, you can add video to pretty much anything," said Wechsler. "It's a powerful concept that's changing the way people communicate. We also made it really easy to use — just scan, smile, share — there's no app to download or account to set up."

At last count Wechsler said he and his team have come up with over 150 different use cases for their product. Some of his favorite applications include: personalizing gifts like flowers, greet-

ing cards and gift cards; enhancing rental properties with instructional videos showing guests how to use a coffee maker or remote control; and even helping patients remember home care instructions after being discharged from the hospital.

"The reception for the product has been nothing short of amazing, because there are so many ways that it can be used," said Wechsler. "In fact, as we've previewed it with potential customers and partners, it has gotten harder and harder to keep things under wraps. When people see it, they

want to try it out."

The company's week-long launch plans are generating some high-profile visibility for the product. Attendees at last week's Daytime Emmy Awards at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium received a 10-pack of spokenote stickers inside their swag bags. The product is also being featured in several of the Spark Fishers events put on by the city of Fishers, Indiana, where spokenote is headquartered.

"It is very exciting to bring our first product to market in association with all these live events as part of our launch," said

Wechsler. "We can't wait to see the many different ways people use spokenote stickers."

Wechsler, who has founded multiple businesses in central Indiana, noted that several large retail outlets and online stores have expressed interest in carrying the product. Until those deals are finalized, spokenote stickers are available via the company's online storefront (spokenote.com) and on Amazon.com.

About spokenote, llc Spokenote develops technology that improves how people communicate, providing tools for human

expression and communication via digital media. The company's initial product — spokenote™ stickers — provide a gateway to a video creation and sharing platform. Each spokenote sticker features a unique spokenote™ code that, when scanned by a mobile device, can be paired with a video created by the user. Once the code and video are paired, anyone who scans the code on the sticker can view the video. The company is headquartered in Fishers, Indiana. For more information or to purchase spokenote stickers, visit spokenote.com.


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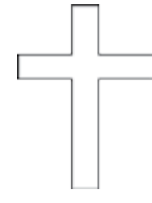
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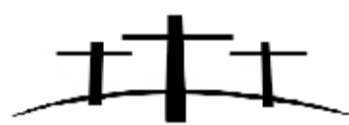
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Witham Health Services Will Host July Meetings And Classes

Witham Health Services will offer the following Community Education Classes in July. The Classes are free unless indicated otherwise. Classes will be held at the Witham Health Services South Pavilion Wellness Center. Please call the Wellness Department at 765-485-8126 for more information on scheduling and pricing.

- Diabetes Self-Management Class – Cancelled at this time until further notice.
- Rock Steady Boxing 1 & 2 - held weekly at 9 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays
- Rock Steady Boxing 3 & 4 - held weekly at 9:45 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays
- Silver Sneakers – held weekly at 11:15 a.m. on

Mondays for those 65 or older

- Silver Sneakers Cardio - held weekly at 11:15 a.m. on Wednesdays for those 65 or older
- Silver Sneakers Yoga - held weekly at 11:15 a.m. on Thursdays for those 65 or older
- Tai Chi for Health 2 - Seven week sessions, held weekly at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays
- Tai Chi for Health 1 - Seven week sessions, held weekly at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays
- Pedaling for Parkinson's – Held weekly at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays and another class on Thursday's at 9 a.m.

Witham Health Services will also host the following Support Group meetings in July. The Support Groups are free

unless indicated.

- Breastfeeding Support Group – is held weekly on Mondays at 6 to 7 p.m. in the VIP Dining Room. There will not be a group on July 4.
- Individualized Breastfeeding Support is available with a Lactation Consultant. To schedule an appointment and for pricing, call 765-485-8411.
- Diabetic Support Group – Cancelled at this time until further notice.
- Cancer Support Cooking for Wellness – Tuesday, July 19 from 1 to 2 p.m. in the South Pavilion Wellness Center.
- Alzheimer's Support Group – Tuesday, July 19 from 6 to 7 p.m. in the VIP Dining Room
- Cancer Support

Group – Monday, July 25 from 6 to 7 p.m. in the North Pavilion Conference Rooms. Parking is in the Physician Parking Lot and exterior door is marked as such.

- Grief Support Gathering – Tuesday, June 26 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the VIP Dining Room.

We encourage people and their families with concerns about these topics to attend the monthly meetings, which will allow support group members the opportunity to discuss with others the coping mechanisms and frustrations of living with these concerns.

For more information, please contact the Witham Health Services Education Department at 765-485-8120 or online at www.witham.org

Using Your Mouth As An Indicator Of Whole-Body Health

(Family Features) Poor oral health is common among American adults. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, nearly 65 million Americans have periodontitis, the most advanced form of periodontal disease. According to Harvard Medical School, people with periodontal disease have been found to be at higher risk for cardiovascular disease, chronic respiratory disease and dementia.

Incorporating measures to help protect you from serious health conditions becomes increasingly important as you age. However, many people overlook a key contributor to whole body health: the mouth. The health of your mouth is directly related to important aspects of your overall health.

Bad breath, cavities, bleeding gums and gum disease are all signs your mouth is not as healthy as it should be. Fighting the bad bacteria in your mouth that causes these health issues and more isn't difficult, but it does require ongoing effort.

Brush and floss. Keeping up on the basics is essential. Brushing twice daily and flossing at least once a day helps keep plaque in check and loosens debris that can promote harmful bacteria growth, causing bad breath and leading to cavities and gum concerns.

When brushing, aim for at least 30 seconds per quadrant and use circular motions with moderate (not aggressive) pressure. When flossing, maneuver the floss down to your gums then scrape the edges of each tooth with repeated upward and downward motions.

Restore good bacteria. Crowding out bad,

Eight Essentials For A Healthy Heart

(Family Features) Cardiovascular disease is the No. 1 cause of death in the United States and globally. Studies throughout the past two decades indicate more than 80% of all cardiovascular events may be prevented by a healthy lifestyle and management of risk factors.

To help Americans measure their cardiovascular health and make meaningful lifestyle changes, the American Heart Association introduced Life's Essential 8, a checklist that explains eight habits and health measures that affect heart and brain health and overall well-being.

The checklist incorporates knowledge gained from more than 2,400 scientific papers on cardiovascular health published since it was originally introduced as Life's Simple 7 more than a decade ago. It has been expanded to apply to anyone age 2 and older, and now includes sleep as the eighth cardiovascular health component, reflecting findings that healthy sleep is essential for optimal heart and brain health.

"The idea of optimal cardiovascular health is important because it gives people positive goals to work toward at any stage of life," said Donald M. Lloyd-

Jones, M.D., Sc.M., EAHA, president of the American Heart Association and chair of the department of preventive medicine at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine.

"We felt it was the right time to conduct a comprehensive review of the latest research to refine the existing metrics and consider any new metrics that add value to assessing cardiovascular health for all people."

Start making positive changes to improve your heart and brain health with these eight essential steps:

Eat Better
The checklist offers a simple questionnaire to assess your eating pattern. A heart-healthy diet encompasses a high intake of fruits, vegetables, nuts and legumes; whole grains and fat-free and low-fat dairy; lean protein; and low intake of sodium, red and processed meats and sweetened foods and drinks. Eat whole foods and rely on healthy non-tropical oils (like olive and canola) for cooking.

Get Active
For most adults, the target level of moderate physical activity (such as walking) is 150 minutes or more per week or 75 minutes per week of vigorous-intensity physical activity. Kids ages 6

and older need 1 hour or more of play and structured activities per day.

Quit Tobacco and Nicotine
Nicotine makes your heart rate and blood pressure skyrocket while carbon monoxide and tobacco rob your heart, brain and arteries of oxygen. There are about 4,000 chemical components found in cigarettes; at least 250 of them are harmful to your health. Reducing your health risk means eliminating exposure to any form of nicotine, including cigarettes, e-cigarettes and vaping devices, as well as limiting your exposure to secondhand smoke.

Get Adequate Sleep
Getting a good night's sleep is vital to cardiovascular health. Measured by average hours of sleep per night, the optimal level is 7-9 hours daily for adults. Ideal daily sleep ranges for children are 10-16 hours per 24 hours for ages 5 and younger; 9-12 hours for ages 6-12; and 8-10 hours for ages 13-18.

Maintain a Healthy Body Weight
Although the measure of body mass index (BMI) is not a perfect metric, it is easily calculated and widely available; therefore, BMI remains a reasonable gauge to assess weight categories that may lead

to health problems. A BMI of 18.5-24.9 is associated with the highest levels of cardiovascular health.

Manage Cholesterol Levels
Non-HDL ("bad") cholesterol, rather than total cholesterol, is a reasonable predictor of cardiovascular risk. Non-HDL cholesterol can be measured without fasting, which means it can be assessed at any time of day and reliably calculated.

Manage Blood Glucose
When there is not enough insulin or the body does not use insulin efficiently, blood glucose levels accumulate in the bloodstream. Hemoglobin A1c readings measure your long-term blood glucose control. A normal A1c is below 5.7%; between 5.7%-6.4% indicates pre-diabetes.

Understand Blood Pressure Readings
An optimal blood pressure is less than 120/80 mm Hg while hypertension is defined as a 130-139 mm Hg systolic pressure (the top number in a reading) or 80-89 mm Hg diastolic pressure (bottom number).

For more ideas to achieve optimal cardiovascular health, or to assess your health and lifestyle risks, visit heart.org/lifes8.

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Next In The Saga Is Simon Dunbar - #10 - Ahhhh, True Love!

On October 4, 1838, Sugar Creek Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, Lewis Dunbar and Mary "Polly" Powers were again blessed with an offspring, their 7th son and 10th child. At the age of 20, he and Clinton-County born, Rebecca Blacker made the trip to Vermilion County, Illinois where three days after Christmas they wed. That marriage was an amazingly long-laster, both of the Dunbars passing away in 1928 a couple of months part, both approaching their 90th birthdays.

Simon heard the call of duty and leaving Rebecca and their first child with her parents, he joined 10th Indiana Volunteer Infantry. Shortly after, the unit was ready to leave but he was discharged because of a physical disability. Thus, he returned to his farming while his friends marched away to defend their patriotic duty. His own patriotism never waned, however. Although only in the regiment eight days, he was an active member of GAR and his FindAGrave entry, (photo by Gean Jenkins-Dunbar - family is listed as Standing, left to right facing photo - Charles; Carrie; Ralph; Nell; Jim; Gemma; Ella; Jack. Middle row; Mary and Alice and of course seated, their parents, Simon & Rebecca Dunbar) says he was in Co G 105th Indiana (Clinton Co). Just found his registration for that and he was in three days in this group as a Sgt from July 10 - 13 1861, the Methodist Episcopal Church and Knights of Pythias. He and Rebecca lived their last few years quietly retired in Osceola, Iowa and are buried there in Maple Hill Cemetery.

Immediately following the Civil War, Simon moved his ever-growing (a total of 12 and likely 13 with Martha who was in the 1860 census but could find nothing else about her) but some born in Indiana while others were born in Clarke County, Iowa),



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

he beginning his career in the farming business that he knew but later developed his own stock business, sending cattle to the Chicago board of trade, and even later, moving into town (Osceola) and owning and operating a large butcher establishment. His obituary noted, "that he was blessed with a kindly disposition and a rich vein of humor." He wished all men well and this brought him a multitude of friends.

So, let's look at their children, William Lewis was the first born, Nov 22, 1859 but sadly passed away the following Feb (6th) and is buried at Shiloh Cemetery, in Colfax with many relatives. First daughter, second child, Mary Ann was a pretty lady, born in Clinton County 11 March 1861 and married Harmon Hubbard Hamilton (love that illiteration). They moved to Sheridan County, Wyoming where she passed away 4 March 1925. They had at least these children (Lloyd; Harry; Florence who passed at age 5, James Simon; Mary Edna (died age 1) and Charles Walter).

Alice Eliza Dunbar was a very pretty lady, as well, and was born in the height of the Civil War (July 1863) and passed away in Los Angeles, California at age 85 (buried Inglewood Park in LA). She married George Stewart Andrew in 1884 - they had at least seven children: Edith; Ruth; Lila;



Arthur; Helen; Harold Simon and Mary Alice.

A dai Eleanor called Ella was the first to be born in Iowa, and passed away at age 88 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She married (1889) Ezra Berry and they were parents of at least two children Alice Leora and Lawrence Dunbar Berry.

Rebecca Jane "Gemma" born 29 Nov 1867 must have returned to Indiana at least to visit as she had a Hoffman picture marked Thornstown, Indiana and looks to be about her marrying age (1900) - married Guy Parrish. She was buried in Sheridan Wyoming (5 March 1959). He passed away ten and a half years later after being in the wholesale meat business for many years. No children were listed in their obituaries.

Simon Robert (someone has done a great deal of work on this family) also has a picture on FindAGrave - quite handsome. Born 27 March 1870 in Osceola he passed away in DesMoines 28 May 1914 at the young age of 44. He and wife Nina had two sons, Donald Eugene and Jack.

James Harrison Dunbar was quite a spiffy fellow, married to Janet Thomas and the father of Janet and James Harrison Jr. His livelihood centered around livestock. He passed away in Chicago

and was cremated, having been 92 years old (1872-1964).

Charles Albert (b 21 March 1875 Osceola died 18 Feb 1948) was also cremated passing away in Magnolia Springs, Baldwin County, Alabama. He and wife Saidee were married in 1904 and do not believe had children.

Caroline Annette "Carrie" was born in Osceola 30 April 1879 and passed away at age 96 buried Ft. Collins, Colorado. She married J. Edward Wagner at her parents' home in Osceola. She worked 26 years for the Silk Shop in Omaha and when moving to Ft. Collins to retire, she spent 15 years working in the same capacity (yard goods). She finally retired just shy of her 85th birthday. Quite active in Order of Eastern Star, she was also a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church and said her hobby was "to make someone happy every day!" Love it! She and J. Edward were parents of at least two sons: Charles Edward died shortly after birth and James Dunbar Wagner.

Ralph born 18 Aug 1881 Osceola, also died at Ft. Collins, Larimer County, Colorado at age 88, was cremated and his ashes scattered around the lower portion of his nephew, James Dunbar Wagner's ranch. He also worked for the Union Stockyards.

Nellie was born the next year

in September and passed away in Newtown, Connecticut at age 92 on 12 Dec 1974. Buried Sheridan, Wyoming. Raymond Diefenderfer was her husband whom she married in 1914. He died five years previous to her. Had at least one son, Raymond Jr. called "Bud".

John Taylor "Jack" was the last, born 4 March 1886 in Osceola and passed at Cook Co IL at age 77. Add him as a Union Stock Yards employee selling cattle from the Walters & Dunbar Ranch. He was married many years to Margaret Dalling from Chicago; don't believe there were children here either. The name, Taylor, I'm more than sure comes from his Uncle Taylor who had been murdered four years before and that you will read about fairly soon in the Dunbar Saga.

The Dunbars are amazing story tellers and he loved to share his experience of when he first went to Chicago in regards to selling cattle, the first time not long after the Chicago fire. At that time, he purchased a large stock of dry goods. "They were throwing large batches of rubble into the lake and burning about as much. Luckily, it hadn't gotten as far as the yards. Simon commented that the biggest feed he ever had in his life was when they arrived in a cattle car - they were escorted to a wonderful restaurant and charged just 25 cents. They treated 'em well because they knew the board of trade was going to be the most impressive thing in the city and likely country. He of course visited with Rebecca as in all the years they were together (other than his brief CW time) they were not separated ever for more than three or four hours! Ahhhhh, true love!

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Butch's Daughter, Shelle, 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 broker)...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 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 freckled 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.

I Have Again Become The Neighborhood Pariah

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 sunlight soil



JOHN MARLOWE
With the Grain

or sod. I have accidentally accrued an entire registry of unwanted weed varieties and woody-stemmed plant species, enough to rival any botanical garden.

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, 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 mailman?

Triskaidekaphobia
noun

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

Trisket-euonymus
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.

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Timmons With Another Letter To Lady Liberty

A few years ago, I wrote a letter to Lady Liberty. The world was a tad different then. Donald Trump was being his arrogant self in the west wing. Joe Biden was out of office and many of us were hoping retired and the United States was enjoying gas prices well under \$3 – and on their way to under \$2.

To be fair, I didn't expect her to answer, and she did not. Then again, if I was a proud 240+ years old, I wouldn't respond to every Tim, Dick and Harry either.

So with the another Independence Day just days away, I'm sending her another one and a few more questions. If you'd like me to add your name to the bottom, shoot me an e-mail and I'll gladly do it.

Dear Lady Liberty,

Please allow me to wish you another most happy birthday! Long may your flag wave over the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Before all the festivities start in earnest this weekend, if I may, I'd like to ask you just one more question. You certainly don't have to answer. I've asked before, but haven't really gotten an answer yet.

Why does the mere mention of a word cause the shields and weapons to be raised? What word? Take your pick – so-



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

cialism, abortion, gays, trans, guns, Trump, borders, walls, right, left . . .

Thing is, we don't just argue any more. We hate. You've seen it all, but my memory only goes back a few decades. I don't recall hate like this since the 1960s when young'uns were told not to trust anyone under 30, burn their draft card and those of the opposite sex (you know, back when we only had two) were told to torch their bras.

None of that generated warm and fuzzys with the age group I'm honored to be part of now. And when Mssrs. Crosby, Stills and Nash sang about four dead in O-Hi-O, things went from bad to worse.

Back then we had a man in

the White House we didn't like or trust very much and families found themselves on opposite sides . . . you know, pretty much like now.

We got through it though.

I'll admit I'm not the smartest guy in the room (even when it's a pretty small room), but I surely don't understand why we've become so angry again.

People are fighting about the right to kill an unborn baby while ignoring any rights said baby might have. Democrats are telling us that the economy is great . . . which sort of feels like Ol' Blue peeing down the side of my leg while his owner tells me it's raining. Republicans aren't helping either.

Instead of taking the high road and giving the country real reasons to consider this so-called red wave in the next election, they're rolling around in the mud, ripping the Dems every chance they get. In the process they're showing us that no matter which party is in charge they all have the uncanny knack to make us hate politicians.

Our ability to have meaningful conversations that start and end peacefully is farther gone than the dinosaurs and 99 cent gas.

I don't understand any of it. I don't know how anyone expects a government that can't seem to

get anything right to suddenly be competent enough to manage healthcare. I don't know why we trust politicians who get rich off our backs to suddenly look out for the middle class.

It's why the folks clamoring for socialism make me smile. They think the same politicians who got them into this mess can wave a magic wand and get them out. It's hard to believe in much of anything with the government any more.

All I know is that I believe in you.

Please allow me to repeat what I've said for a while. We're a nation of knuckleheads. We always have been. When Betsy Ross and her pals were busy sewing flags, some yahoos were drinking ale and touting the benefits of staying loyal to King George. We turned brother against brother in a terrible war that got mis-labeled civil. Radicalism, just another word for the same sort of thing AOC and the squad are touting now, gave Woody Wilson and his cabinet one headache after another. FDR crafted more social programs than anyone, but had to fight a war. And Kennedy, LBJ and Nixon led our nation when troops, tanks and bigotry rolled through the streets.

We've always been angry,

often times paying a heavy price for it. Yet we've managed to survive a lot of different opinions, a bunch of hatred and all sorts of messes. Perhaps that should provide some comfort. After all, we made it this far, right?

You've given us a lot, Ma'am.

OK, that was my question – but while I have you I'll share a concern I'm hoping you can help with. It seems to me that this only works so long as the majority of us keep giving you our faith and our allegiance – two things that feel like they're in mighty short supply once again. I'm hoping you can tell us how to maintain those. I hope you can help us remember the lives lost and the sacrifices made to get where we are today. Maybe if you can do that, then perhaps we can get back to honest conversations without all the hate.

That's it ma'am. Thanks for listening and I really do hope you have a great birthday, and many, many more! God bless!

Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically on Wednesdays in The Paper. Timmons is the publisher of The Paper and can be contacted at timmons@thepaper24-7.com

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Grilling The Neighbors About Grilling This Summer

The July 4th weekend cookout is just around the corner and we are planning a barbeque with some friends at our house. That was not the original plan, but turns out we were not invited to the cookout around the corner.

"Are you cooking with gas or charcoal this weekend?" asked a buddy of mine. Apparently, people have strong preferences in this area, so I did a little checking. Here is a statistic reported by the people who make propane tanks:

69.3 percent of men vs. 67 percent of women prefer gas grills over charcoal grills.

What could possibly account for this vast taste



DICK WOLFSIE
Life in a Nutshell

variance of 2.3 percent between men and women? I have always accepted the statistical difference between the sexes when it came to the love of shoes, the comic genius of The Three Stooges, and professional wrestling. Those disparities were understandable, but the

gap in the preference of gas vs. charcoal grills is a mystery.

Scientists at one of the many genome labs should take the time to see if there is, indeed, an actual gene to explain this. They have already found one each for selfishness, social skills, and altruism, but not a single study has been dedicated to the charcoal/gas grills discrepancy. You laugh (I hope), but these are your tax dollars squandered by the government—your money up in smoke, especially if you prefer charcoal.

It's times like this that I lament the death of Einstein. Oh, the hours he wasted with electrons and gravity, time and space.

That all seems so trivial now, relatively speaking.

I decided to do some research on my own block to see if the results meshed with the typical American neighborhood. I knocked on the first door. "Hi, Mark, I'm just taking a little survey. Do you prefer a charcoal or a gas grill?"

"Well, that's kind of a touchy question in this house. I prefer gas, but Judy likes coals. I'd rather not go on the record with this. Our kids are still in school and we belong to a very conservative church. Instead, it would be safer to tell you about our sex lives or how much debt we are in. I tried one more house.

"Norman, I just dropped over to find out whether it makes any difference to you whether you fire up your grill with gas or charcoal."

"It mattered a lot to the first Mrs. Collingwood; that's why there's a second Mrs. Collingwood. Things were fine for several years, but then my new wife read something in Prevention magazine and started asking me a lot of health and safety questions about my chosen cooking method. I hate being grilled about grilling, so I decided to purchase my wife a brand new Weber that meets her new barbequing preference. It was cheaper than a third Mrs. Collingwood.

One final thing: According to most propane manufacturers, 36 percent of grillers don't know they're out of propane gas until they actually are.

Sorry, I don't have a clever ending to this column, but it doesn't really matter. Only 26 percent of my readers know that my last line is supposed to be funny. That's because 74 percent don't get that far.

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Ask Rusty – I'm Getting Spouse Benefits – What Happens To My Own?

Dear Rusty: I was born in late 1951. When I retired 5 years ago, I was made aware that my own Social Security benefit was less than half of my husband's SS Benefit. So, I chose to take half of his. What happens to my undispensed SS dollars? On the off chance the balance increases beyond the amount I am now collecting, can I eventually switch to my own full SS amount? *Signed: Curious Senior*

Dear Curious Senior: Much depends on exactly how you claimed your SS benefits five years ago and your age when you claimed. Because you were born in 1951, if you had reached your full retirement age (FRA) of 66 when you claimed SS five years ago and your husband was already collecting his benefits,

you had the option to file a "restricted application for spousal benefits only" which would have enabled you to collect only your spouse benefit while letting your own benefit continue to grow. But if you were not yet 66 when you claimed, the "restricted application" wasn't available to you, so you are now receiving your own benefit plus an additional amount to bring your payment to your spousal amount.

I expect that the latter is the case (that you didn't file a "restricted application"), which would mean that your current payment amount consists of two parts – your personal benefit (from your own lifetime work record) plus a "spousal boost" to bring your payment to your spousal entitlement. Except for the restricted application, Social Security always pays your



ASK RUSTY
Social Security Advisor

own benefit amount first and then supplements your own benefit with an additional amount to give you what you're entitled to as a spouse. Thus, your personal benefits aren't "undispensed" – you're already getting them, plus a spousal supplement.

Just to complete the picture, if you did file a "restricted application" at age 66, then your own benefit continued to grow until you were 70 (at which point it reached

Social Security Matters

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Russell Gloor

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maximum). The growth amount would have been 8% per year additional benefit, so at age 70 your own benefit would have been 32% more than your FRA amount. If you know what your own FRA benefit amount was, then increase that by 32% to see if your own amount is now higher and, if so, contact Social Security to apply for your own higher benefit.

If you don't know what your personal FRA

amount was and/or are uncertain if you filed a restricted application, you'll need to contact Social Security directly to see if you're entitled to any additional amount based on your own lifetime work record. You can contact Social Security at either the national center (1.800.772.1213) or at your local office (find the number at www.ssa.gov/locator). If you are currently getting spouse benefits only under a

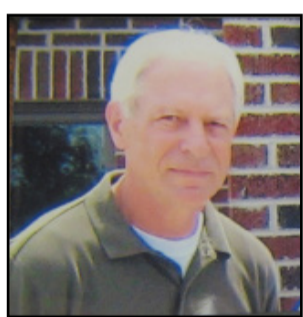
restricted application and your personal benefit is now higher, since you'll soon be 71 you should request six months of retroactive benefits when you switch from the restricted application to your own benefit.

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Spoiling The Grandkids ... It's A Family Tradition

When I was a youngster and stayed at Grandpa and Grandma Dale's house, I always had a great time. Grandpa Dale took me fishing at the gravel pit just south of their place, he let me sit on his lap and drive his little farm tractor and 1950 Ford car, and I got to help him make homemade ice cream. Grandma Dale let me help her gather the eggs and feed the chickens, and she let me help bake sugar cookies and pies and make sassafras tea...and I could eat all I wanted...I guess they spoiled me... and all of the other Dale grandkids! My wife's grandparents were the same way with her. She had her Grandpa Clark wrapped around her little finger, as he would do just about anything for his cute little granddaughter.

Well, folks, we are carrying on the family tradition. Yes, when our grandkids spend the night, they pretty much



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

can do anything they want. They watch their favorite shows, play board games, stay up late, and eat whatever they want. And when we take them out to eat, it's their choice...and they LOVE the expensive restaurants! Of course, my wife stocks up on snacks and sweet treats prior to their arrival. We figure that if they get a stomach ache, it will more than likely be when they arrive back home... and their parents can deal with it. Ha!

I would bet that most of you grandparents are the

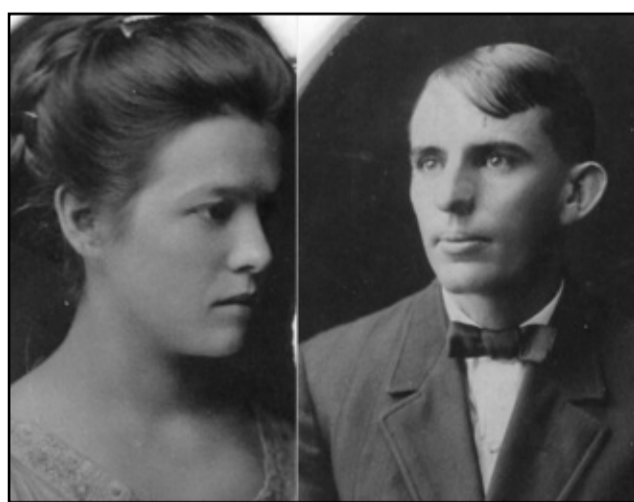


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Butch's grandparents Annabel and Bert Dale (early 1900s)

same way. Why are we this way? Well, for one reason, we can get away with it. There are many times when our grandkids stay at our house because our kids want to go somewhere and they need us to babysit. On a short overnight stay, we believe the focus should be on maximum enjoyment! Our kids are safe in the knowledge that we

will take good care of the grandkids, and after all, there will be no long-term damage from spoiling them a tad bit. We might have been strict in raising our kids, so now we are just making up for it...right? We aren't going to let our grandkids do anything too terribly wrong, and they know it. Now let's face facts here. If we perhaps

spoil the grandkids, it's because we love them so much, and we enjoy the positive connection with them. It's like having our kids back home again. We are extremely grateful to have such wonderful grandkids. We can also teach them a few things along the way and, yes, maybe tell them a few stories about their parents when they got in trouble as a child... so they won't feel so bad when they make mistakes themselves. We can also be their confidantes, as they can tell us things they wouldn't necessarily tell their parents. We can also give our grandkids 100 per cent of our time and attention. Why? Just because we can, that's why!

Here are a few lines from my favorite poet, Edgar Guest....

"A Grandma never punishes or says that we are bad, She always takes us on her knee and tells us she is glad, To

have us racing round the house, and when we get too smart, And Pa and Ma are awful cross, she always take our part.... Pa says that Grandmas are alike; their job of training's done, They don't like tears to come along and spoil the children's fun. They love to see the youngsters eat, and though it isn't right, They never have to walk the floor or stay up all the night. And children know the times they go to Grandma's house to play, Though bad they are, Their Ma and Pa...can't have a word to say."

If you have grandchildren, go ahead and spoil them...We won't tell anyone...We grandparents have to stick together!

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Happy 4th Of July – We Can Figure It Out

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

America has always been a land of hard work and struggles but always with the hope and dream of success and prosperity.

On the 4th of July we celebrate our Declaration of Independence which was ratified by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. The Second Continental Congress declared that the thirteen colonies were no longer subject and subordinate to the monarch of England King George the III and were now united, free, and independent states. The Congress voted to approve our independence on July 2 and adopted the Declaration of Inde-



GLENN MOLLETTE
Guest Column

pendence two days later, Benjamin Franklin is reported to have said, “Aye, I know there shall be no nation on earth that works harder than the great and powerful United States, and so I dare say that the celebration of July 4th should be a day

on which none shall work and instead all will refrain from exerting themselves in any way.”

Historians have said that when John Hancock signed the Declaration of Independence, he did so in a bold hand, in a conspicuous manner, and rose from his seat, pointing to it, and said, “There, John Bull can read my name without spectacles, he may double his reward and I put this at defiance.”

“Independence Day: freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed – else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will

wither and die.” – Dwight D. Eisenhower

Our freedom was won by the sheer will power of an early generation who determined to do whatever was necessary for our freedom. We had to fight. Our earliest generation determined whatever it took was worth it to separate from the authoritarian rule of England.

Freedom is never easy. Most Americans at that time had sacrificed everything to pursue freedom of worship, to develop our ideas, businesses and personal interests. It took years for Americans to begin to experience some prosperity and most never did. Our earliest gener-

ation sacrificed, worked and battled diseases with little to no medical care. They had no financial or social security. There were no government hand-outs, bail outs or insurance companies covering their losses. Early Americans were on their own and helped each other as best as they could.

More than ever before we must make whatever is necessary to run this country from chips to run our cars and technology to growing our food and producing sufficient energy. Depending on foreign nations for anything is a poor plan for maintaining our freedom. We become dependent instead of

independent. This is why we must have a mix of energy. Relying only on one source is not a plan for independence. Trade with other countries is good for America because we want other nations to buy our products. Many businesses in America would die if they could not export to other countries. The main idea is that we produce enough to have enough as we need it in America.

I love America. We have a great a history. We have some problems, but who doesn't? Together we can figure it out.

Hear Dr. Glenn Mollette each weekday morning at 8:56 and 10:11:30 AM EST.

Family Ties Help To Make Us Stronger, Better Individuals

The importance of one's family connections is something that I believe we are losing in America.

With each generation there are fewer individuals who live close to their extended families, unlike the days when grandma and grandpa lived just in the next room or uncles, aunts and cousins were a short walk down the road.

Many Americans today do not really know the members of their extended family. We spend a few awkward moments together at funerals, family reunions, Christmas and Thanksgiving gatherings and then off we go back to our own lives.

As families build lives miles away from their home many grasp the anonymity of their new surroundings with fervor, often dreading when a distant family member might drop in, disrupting their lives.

Despite the fact that my



RANDALL FRANKS
Southern Style Columns

parents chose to move away from their homes to build a life for themselves in Atlanta, I grew up in a home where our door was open to members of both my mother's and father's families. It was not unusual for there to be cousins stretched out on quilted pallets sleeping on the living room floor; uncles rummaging through the refrigerator for green dill pickles as a late night snack; aunts blanching red tomatoes for the garden in the kitchen; or distant kin moving in for an

extended stay while they looked for a job or planned a new start.

Because of the time I spent with these people growing up, I feel a much closer connection to them; the shared experiences make chance meetings and gatherings less of a strain today.

It was not unusual for my Mom to get up and start cooking a batch of turnip greens, cornbread and some fried chicken, while cleaning the house from end to end. When asked why she was doing it, she would say “so and so” will be here directly. Sure enough, after a while they would knock at the door. My Mom has a second sense about that. With no forewarning she knew some relative was on their way.

Sundays were a big visiting day. It was not unusual for Uncle Harvey, Aunt Lois and all their kids to load up in the car

and be knocking at our door before dinner. Sometimes Grandma Allie and Grandpa Jesse would come along for the ride.

Us cousins would spend the afternoon playing as the folks caught up on all the family news. We might ride over to the airport to watch the planes land or go downtown to sight see. We would eat dinner, and then whomever was visiting would load up in the car and head back up to the mountains of Georgia or Tennessee.

I remember one trip when Uncle Harvey and family came down to see Joe Don Baker in “Walking Tall.” Of course, us kids were not old enough to go to the drive-in and see it so we had a sleepover instead, while most of the adults took in the hit movie.

Just like their visits there, we also visited regularly. Despite the distance it was like we were one

family experiencing life together rather than living separate lives and putting up with one another for a few hours at the holidays.

God has called many of those family members for an extended stay at his house. While they are absent here, the experiences still live within me, giving me a sense of the extended family even if there are fewer of them now on this side than there once was.

The stories they told of relatives I never knew made those people alive to me. Through those stories many of my characters come to life on the page in columns and in scripts.

As each holiday rolls by, take the time to experience more than just the ordinary. Help create an experience that will last for yourself and your children throughout the lifetime. It is the shared moments of life that will make the basis for what we know as family.

If we as a country do not work to strengthen our families individually, what will the future hold for the American family as a whole? I guess we will be a country of individuals seeking a group in which to belong. We can only hope those groups aren't exclusively on social media.

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What The Reversing Of Roe Really Means For This Country

By Dr. Paul Kengor

Throughout the 2015-16 campaign for the Republican presidential nomination, I urged conservatives not to nominate Donald Trump. When November 2016 arrived, I did not vote for Donald Trump. Of course, I most certainly didn't vote for Hillary Clinton. I wrote in another Republican instead.

One of my chief concerns was that I could not imagine that Donald Trump, a lifelong pro-choice, playboy, billionaire, obnoxious New Yorker, truly had become pro-life and would nominate pro-life justices to the U.S. Supreme Court. I had additional issues with Trump, but that one really stood out. When Trump produced a list of pro-life judges he promised to appoint, I didn't trust him.

In turn, many pro-life conservatives urged me to nonetheless vote for the lesser of two evils when it came to abortion. The Supreme Court—plus countless other court appointments at other levels—hung in the balance. If Hillary Clinton was elected, we would lose the courts for at least another entire generation. You would never reverse Roe v. Wade and its companion case of insanity, Planned Parenthood v. Casey. Pro-lifers insisted on voting to save the court.

In that respect, they stand vindicated. I still had much I didn't like about Trump, but the man proceeded to govern as

the best pro-life president the country ever had. It was astonishing, and I was shocked every step of the way, but it is indisputably true. A pro-life colleague of mine who loathes Donald Trump insists that Trump did what he did for pro-lifers strictly for political expediency. Even if that were the case (for the sake of argument), it is undeniable that Trump became the most effective pro-life president ever, including more so than my buddy Ronald Reagan.

Most critical and most obvious, of course, were Trump's three Supreme Court picks: Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett. They gave you this reversal of Roe and Casey. Had Hillary Clinton been president, you would've gotten three more like Harry Blackmun, William Brennan, and Ruth Bader Ginsburg (even as RBG knew and candidly admitted how flawed Roe was). (For the record, Reagan gave us Sandra Day O'Connor, the hugely disappointing Anthony Kennedy, and just one outstanding pro-life pick—Antonin Scalia.) Hillary Clinton quickly came forward after the Dobbs announcement to denounce a new “day of infamy” for America.

That said, what does this decision overturning Roe really mean?

First and foremost, it affirms what numerous constitutional scholars—including many liberal scholars and even

the likes of Ruth Bader Ginsburg—always knew, namely: Roe v. Wade had no basis in the U.S. Constitution. Roe was a constitutional absurdity. It was never constitutional. I heard one news anchor on Fox News report that the Dobbs decision “eliminated the constitutional right to abortion.” No. There never was a constitutional right to abortion. That's the whole point.

Roe was preposterously based on a “right” to an abortion invented and extended from a so-called “penumbra” or “shadow” of a “right to privacy” lurking somewhere in the arcane recesses of the Constitution. In fact, neither abortion nor even the word “privacy” are mentioned in the Constitution—no, not one time—even as the rights and protection of “life” is mentioned three times (in the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments).

Yes, shocking but true. One can certainly argue that when the framers mentioned life, they were not thinking of abortion. No doubt that is correct. But still, a pro-lifer looking for a right to “life” in the Constitution clearly has a little more to grab on to than a pro-choicer looking for a right to abortion or even “privacy.”

Roe v. Wade is a legal absurdity that any jurist not jaded by ideology would concede was utterly without foundation in the U.S. Constitution. The reality is that the Constitution is silent on

abortion, which is why the federal government should never have enshrined it. It should have been left to the states. This was something that Judge Robert Bork tried to explain to Senators Joe Biden and Ted Kennedy and feminists and liberals everywhere over 30 years ago, and for which he was called everything from a misogynist to a gargoyle.

And so, abortion now goes to the states. What does that mean?

Despite the hyperbole and hysteria, this certainly does not mean an end to abortion. Not at all. You will now see the emergence of abortion states—the abortion states of America. Already leading the charge at the state-level are the likes of New York's new pro-choice governor, Kathy Hochul, and Governor Gavin Newsom of California.

Vigorously supported by President Joe Biden, Hochul and Newsom are militantly committed to battling the efforts of states like Mississippi and Texas and others to limit abortions to the time of the unborn child's heartbeat. The Texas action outraged Joe Biden, who has promised to throw the “whole of government” against it. The bill infuriated Gov. Hochul and Newsom, who have responded by offering their states as destination centers for women nationwide to come for abortions.

“Abortion access is safe in New York,” Hochul ensures, “To the women

of Texas, I want to say I am with you. Lady Liberty is here to welcome you with open arms.” She vows: “We will help you find a way to New York.”

As for Gavin Newsom, he vows to make California a “reproductive freedom state.” “These are dark days,” says a dire Newsom.

What's happening with states like California and New York is something that many of us have long expected. Which states will be the dominant abortion states? Figuring that out isn't rocket science. The answer is simple and predictable: Go to political maps of presidential elections and look at the blue states vs. red states; that is, Democrat states vs. Republican states. The firmly Democrat states, especially on the West Coast and northeast, will become America's abortion states. They will roll out the red carpet.

For states like New York and California, this process has already begun. The governors there are eager to fly the Roe flag as premier destination centers for abortion.

That sad reality ought to give some measure of comfort to pro-choice forces. They should be immensely satisfied with that they got from Roe. They got themselves nearly 50 years of legalized abortion. They threw open wide the doors to abortion “clinics” in every state. This long, insidious period was protracted enough to get them to a crucial hump they needed,

namely: chemical abortions, abortions by pill, do-it-yourself-at-home abortions. This was symbolized by the group of young pro-abortion women who stood outside the Supreme Court a few months ago and en masse swallowed down abortion pills.

From here on, countless abortions will be done that way—as well as in the abortion states.

Pro-choicers: your “choice” will have plenty of options, including altogether new ones.

As for pro-lifers, they should nonetheless celebrate this achievement. Roe v. Wade was a monstrous injustice that produced over 60 million abortions of unborn children. It was a colossal sin and a dark stain on America.

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Indiana State Fair Unveils Automotive Programming Plans For 2022 Theme

The Indiana State Fair yesterday announced its robust plans that will incorporate their automotive focused theme that will celebrate Fun at the Speed of Summer - Celebrating Indiana's Automotive Excellence, presented by Tom Wood Automotive Group. The 165th Indiana State Fair will take place Friday, July 29 through Sunday, August 21 and will continue its long tradition as Indiana's favorite all-encompassing summer destination event.

Indiana's rich automotive tradition is a signature source of pride for Hoosiers, and the Indiana State Fair looks forward to celebrating Indiana's worldwide recognition for its automotive history and contributions to the industry. Fairgoers can expect to see iconic, celebrity cars from movies and books, in addition to world-class classic car collections showcasing Indiana-made vehicles, and so much more.

In addition to traditional fair favorites, guests can expect to be immersed in auto-themed experiences for the 2022 Indiana State Fair:

World of Speed presented by Subaru of Indiana Automotive, located in the Harvest Pavilion. Visitors will want to make a pit stop at the amazing, new exhibit World of Speed! presented by Subaru of Indiana Automotive. This attraction will be open daily and have multiple features, including:

Celebrity Car Appearances:

- The Batmobile
- The Scooby Doo Mystery Machine
- The Ghostbuster Ectomobile

• And more!
Indiana Automobile Exhibit, in partnership with the Indiana Automotive Collective.

• A stunning curated collection of classic, early-20th century cars with roots in the Hoosier State!

SPEED: Science in Motion Exhibit.

• It's fast. It's fun. It's coming to the Indiana State Fair! SPEED: Science in Motion Exhibit arrives with exciting, hands-on exhibits to test attendees potential as a Formula One driver. Fairgoers will be put through their paces to

experience what it is like to operate at high speeds through hands-on simulations that test peripheral vision, reaction speed, coordination, concentration and heart rate under stress.

Ford Model T Rapid Assembly, located in front of the Indiana Farmers Coliseum

- Prepare to be amazed as a drivable 1926 Ford Model T is built in just under 10 minutes right before your eyes.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum Presents Traditions, located inside of the Farm Bureau building

- This incredible exhibit displays the many iconic traditions of the month of May at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and at the Indianapolis 500. Traditions explores everything from tailgating and concerts to The Command and "Back Home Again in Indiana". Fairgoers can relive their favorite rituals and customs by exploring photography pieces, video displays, music, and memorabilia on display.

Plus a daily car exhibit, located along Main

Street.

Throughout the summer as we gear up for the 165th Indiana State Fair, weekly NEW experiences will be announced to the public. For complete details and tickets to the 2022 Indiana State Fair, please visit: <https://www.indianastatefair.com>.

The Indiana State Fair is the state's largest multi-day event celebrating the Hoosier spirit and agricultural heritage. These 18 days bring all communities together to celebrate all things Indiana and promote it to hundreds of thousands of people across the state, and beyond. Nationally recognized for offering great entertainment, showcasing youth and interactive agriculture educational programs, premiere facilities and a variety of unique, fun foods, the Indiana State Fair has been an annual attraction for generations of Hoosiers since 1852. This year's Indiana State Fair will take place July 29 - August 21 (closed Mondays & Tuesdays). For information, visit www.indianastatefair.com.

Drive Safe: Don't Lose Your Independence This Fourth Of July

The Fourth of July is one of America's most iconic holidays, but it's also one of the deadliest times of the year to be on the road. Amid a rising number of traffic fatalities, the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) is urging motorists to celebrate responsibly by driving safe and sober this Independence Day.

"On average, we're losing about 16 people every week in fatal collisions in Indiana," said Devon McDonald, ICJI Executive Director. "We can't allow this to become the 'new normal.' Everyone needs to examine the decisions they're making and commit to safe driving, especially over the holiday weekend."

Since the start of the pandemic, traffic fatalities have been on the rise across the state and nation. Last year in Indiana, a total of 931 people lost their lives on the road - the highest in the past decade. Unfortunately, it's a trend that has continued in 2022.

Early estimates from ICJI show that 404 people have been killed in crashes so far this year. That's 17 more when compared to the same time in 2021.

Evidence suggests that the rising death toll stems from an increase in dangerous driving behavior, which worsened during the pandemic but also tends to be more prevalent around certain holidays like the Fourth of July. While impaired driving has been a significant factor, speeding, distracted driving and not wearing a seat belt are also concerns, according to state officials.

"We're seeing increases in almost every category of unsafe driving, well above where we want to be this time of year," said Robert Duckworth, ICJI Traffic Safety Director. "It's important to remember these aren't just statistics. These are people whose lives were tragically lost. We need the public to recognize that so much of this preventable."

Most deaths and injuries due to crashes are avoidable if drivers and members of the public exercise caution and follow the rules of the road: slow down, wear a seat belt, pay attention and drive sober.

For those attending Fourth of July parties, plan ahead for a safe ride home by designating a sober driver in advance or by using a ride service or public transportation. Never let friends get behind the wheel if they're impaired.

To further prevent drunk driving, ICJI's Sober Ride Indiana program is running a special holiday campaign in Ft. Wayne and Indianapolis this weekend. From July 1-4, the program is offering \$15 off Uber and Lyft rides up to 1,000 redemptions (per city).

Ride credits are only available between the hours of 5 p.m. and 3 a.m. while supplies last. To redeem a discounted ride, visit SoberRideIndiana.com.

For a list of safe driving tips, visit www.NHTSA.gov/risky-driving. Motorists are encouraged to report suspected impaired drivers by calling 911 or contacting their local police department.

Tips For Travelers To Save Money And Stay Connected This Summer

(StatePoint) After more than two years of pandemic-related restrictions, Americans are ready to break free and travel again. According to Expedia's 2022 Travel Trends Report, more than two-thirds of Americans say they're planning to "go big" on their next trip. But planning and budgeting for a trip can be stressful. With inflation rising, many people are watching their wallets more closely, so finding ways to save money and stay connected while traveling this summer is more important than ever.

Here are some of the latest travel tips to make your next getaway more affordable:

- **Book Flights Like a Pro:** According to NerdWallet, Tuesdays and Wednesdays are the best days to travel when flying within the United States. NerdWallet also suggests booking domes-

tic airline tickets one to three months in advance. The more flexible you can be with your desired timeframe, destination, and airport, the better. Be on the hunt for exclusive partnerships that offer travel discounts, like T-Mobile TRAVEL with Priceline, a new site with travel deals of up to 40% off hotels and select rental cars, available exclusively for T-Mobile and Metro by T-Mobile customers.

- **Bring it, Don't Buy it:** If you're looking to save a few dollars while traveling, bring your own snacks and reusable water bottle. Many airports have refillable water stations available. Having a designated travel charging kit in your luggage with charging cables for your smartwatch, phone, computer and more will save you the added and often inflated cost of buying on the go.

- **Maximize Your Phone Plan Internationally:** When traveling overseas, purchasing a local SIM for that designated country will save you roaming charges and fees. An international SIM card is another option for those traveling to multiple countries for short periods of time. Make sure to check with your wireless provider for what's included in your plan. For example, T-Mobile customers get 5GB of free high-speed data each month with no international data-roaming charges, with up to 5G speeds where available, in more than 210 countries and destinations on the provider's most popular plan, Magenta MAX, and on the Business Unlimited Ultimate plan.

- **Road Trip Smarter:** Even though gas prices are soaring, those with large families, pets and a

love for singalongs often still prefer to travel the open road when vacationing. Finding the best gas prices is easy with apps like GasBuddy and Gas Guru, which provide updated gas prices in your area. You can also save money at the pump leveraging other rewards programs, such as those offered by your phone provider. T-Mobile teamed up with Shell and the Fuel Rewards program to offer customers on qualifying plans an exclusive 25 cents off per gallon of gas this summer through the week of Labor Day via T-Mobile Tuesdays.

With the price of everything on the rise, you'll want to tap into benefits and cost-cutting opportunities where you can to stretch your dollar further, and take the amazing vacation you've been planning for so long.



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Everything You Need To Know About Funding College With Student Loans

(StatePoint) While the majority of parents today strongly value higher education, that doesn't always alleviate their sticker shock when it comes to college-related costs.

A new College Ave survey finds that 91% of parents believe a college degree is important for their child's future. At the same time, 74% of parents found the cost of college surprisingly high. From having their children kick in -- 46% of parents strongly believe their children should financially contribute to their education -- to borrowing -- 16% currently or plan to take out private student loans -- many families explore a range of avenues for funding college.

"If you'll be using private student loans to fund college, it's important to create a budget and do your research," says Angela Colatriano, chief marketing officer at College Ave Student Loans. "Having a plan can help you avoid surprises down the line and reduce the

overall cost of your loan."

Here's what to know: **First Things First** Before even considering private student loans, Colatriano notes that it's essential to apply for scholarships and to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid at FAFSA.gov to determine your child's eligibility for certain scholarships, grants, work-study, and federal student loans. You should also explore cost-saving housing options and ways to spend less on school supplies, such as buying used textbooks.

Shopping Around If federal student loans don't cover your remaining costs, shop around to find the right private student loan, advises Colatriano. Here are four factors to consider when comparing loan options:

1. **Competitive rates:** Securing a lower interest rate can help you land lower monthly payments and pay less interest over the life of your loan. To get a sense of the overall

cost of the loan and your monthly loan payments, use the student loan calculator at CollegeAve.com.

2. **Flexible loan terms:** Find a student loan with a variety of repayment options. Some lenders, like College Ave, let you choose how long you want to repay your loan, and whether to start making payments right away or defer until after graduation. The important thing is to select a loan with terms that fit your budget.

3. **Fees:** Private student loans don't typically have origination fees, but you should still take time to check. You should also make sure your loans don't have any prepayment penalties.

4. **Positive company reviews:** Only work with a reputable, honest company. Check the Better Business Bureau for accreditation and read reviews to learn about customer experiences and see each company's customer ratings.

Taking out a Loan
Wondering how much

to borrow? "A good rule of thumb is to figure out what your student's expected annual salary after graduation will be and then try to keep your total borrowing below that amount," says Colatriano. "For parents with strong credit who want to take on the debt alone, parent loans can be a good choice."

For competitive rates, flexible loan terms and great customer service, check out specialists in the industry with College Ave Student Loans. The lender offers private student loans and parent loans, and its simple 3-minute application can quickly determine your eligibility, helping your family breathe easy from day one of the process.

To learn more and for additional resources, visit collegeave.com.

Bottom line? Being a strategic borrower and finding a simple loan experience can help your family get on with what matters most: preparing for a bright future.

City Of C'ville Urges Us To Practice Food Safety This Summer

By Matt Lepper
Whenever handling food, be sure to wash your hands thoroughly before even laying a finger on any food source to avoid food-borne illnesses. This also goes for immediately after handling food, especially raw meat, poultry, and seafood items. However, there are some different guidelines for washing the actual food items themselves. For more firm fruits and vegetables such as melons and zucchini, use a vegetable brush to scrub them under cool running water. Dry said fruits and vegetables with a paper towel or clean cloth to prevent bacteria prominence and spread. As for more delicate fruits and vegetables, gently rub them under cool running water until any debris is gone.

However, DO NOT rinse or wash poultry, seafood, or meat items. This greatly increases the risk of bacteria spread and cross-contamination. If you have to rinse meat off, ensure that all surrounding

surfaces are properly sanitized and cleaned. Finally, ensure that your raw meats, seafood, or poultry is not touching or close to ready-to-eat foods such as salads and dips. Proximity between these two can lead to cross-contamination and bacteria spread.

Now that your food is properly cleaned and prepared, you can grill! There are a couple of guidelines regarding grilling, and they differ for meats and fruits/vegetables. For meats, have a meat thermometer handy before grilling, as there are different internal temperatures that signify the foods are thoroughly cooked. Beef, pork, lamb, and veal should have an internal temperature of 145°F. Ground meats, including burgers and hot dogs, should have an internal temperature of 160°F. Whole poultry, poultry breasts, and ground poultry should have an internal temperature of 165°F, and fish should have an internal temperature of 145°F.

BBB Scam Alert: Spot This Scary New Twist In Law Enforcement Impostor Scams

By impersonating law enforcement, scammers intimidate victims into giving up money or personal information. But once a scam becomes widely reported, con artists need to change up their tricks. Watch out for this new twist: scammers using official-looking credentials to gain trust.

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 impostor 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.

If you spot a law enforcement scam, report it to BBB.org/ScamTracker. You can also report your experience to the FBI at IC3.gov. Your report can help others avoid falling victim to similar schemes.

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Claiming A Child As A Dependent When Parents Are Divorced, Separated Or Live Apart

Parents who are divorced, separated, never married or live apart and who share custody of a child with an ex-spouse or ex-partner need to understand the specific rules about who may be eligible to claim the child for tax purposes. This can make filing taxes easier for both parents and avoid errors that may lead to processing delays or costly tax mistakes.

Only one person may be eligible to claim the qualifying child as a dependent.

Only one person can claim the tax benefits related to a dependent child who meets the qualifying child rules. Parents can't share or split up the tax benefits for their child on their respective tax returns.

It's important that each parent understands who will claim their child on their tax return. If two people claim the same child on different tax returns, it will slow down processing time while the IRS determines which parent's claim takes priority. Custodial parents generally claim the qualifying child as a dependent on their return.

- The custodial parent is the parent with whom the child lived for the greater number of nights during the year. The other parent is the noncustodial parent.
- In most cases, because of the residency test, the custodial parent claims the child on their tax return.
- If the child lived with

each parent for an equal number of nights during the year, the custodial parent is the parent with the higher adjusted gross income.

- Tie-breaker rules may apply if the child is a qualifying child of more than one person.

- Although the child may meet the conditions to be a qualifying child of either parent, only one person can actually claim the child as a qualifying child, provided the taxpayer is eligible.

- People should carefully read Publication 504, Divorced or Separated Individuals to understand who is eligible to claim a qualifying child.

Noncustodial parents may be eligible to claim a qualifying child.

Special rules apply for a child to be treated as a qualifying child of the noncustodial parent.

- The custodial parent can release the dependency exemption and sign a written declaration or Form 8332, Release/Revocation of Release of Claim to Exemption for Child by Custodial Parent for the noncustodial parent to submit with their tax return.

- This also applies to some tax benefits, including the child tax credit, additional child tax credit, and credit for other dependents. It doesn't apply to other tax benefits, such as the earned income credit, dependent care credit or head of household filing status.

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Notice:

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