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➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Psalms 1:1-3 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Maryah Galbert smiles while assisting in child care. Thank you for your smile, Maryah!

➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 USPS is hosting a two-day job fair this weekend and is aggressively hiring to fill positions throughout Indianapolis and the surrounding area. As part of our innovative and bold 10-year plan, Delivering for America, the Postal Service is focused on building a more stable and empowered workforce. Saturday, July 9 and Sunday, July 10 at 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Indianapolis Main Post Office 125 W South St. Indianapolis, IN 46206.

2 Seriously, the first of July, came and went and many of us didn't know it was International Joke Day, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. The British online learning platform, Global Dimension, explains Joke Day "was started for a laugh by comedian and writer Wayne Reinagel in 1994 so he could publicize his own joke books. It has no official status and it is unclear how many people really observe it, but that just makes it all the more charming. Jokes aren't just a trivial matter, they lift others up when they're sad, they reveal useful cultural insights and importantly, they allow us to be more honest. This is a day to celebrate the importance of jokes and comedy in our lives."

3 The Indiana Department of Transportation announces restrictions on U.S. 52 will start on or after Wednesday, July 6 for a bridge deck replacement over Indian Creek. This closure is between Klondike Rd. and C.R. N. 400 W. near West Lafayette. The road is expected to completely reopen by the end of September, weather permitting. During Phase One of the bridge replacement project on U.S. 52, the eastbound lanes will be restricted from approximately 600-foot east of the bridge to approximately 600-foot west of the bridge. Eastbound traffic will be shifted to the existing westbound side of the road. One lane will be open in each direction. Phase Two of this project, traffic will be shifted over to the eastbound side of the bridge, and the lanes will be reduced to 10-foot wide.

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Come Enjoy Waveland Summer In The Park With Waterball And Waylon

What sounds better on a hot steaming Friday night than a game of "Waterball"? Waveland Volunteer Fire Department invites you to the Waveland town park this Friday to experience it!

Waterball is a game that firefighters started playing in the 1940s to help them with teamwork & aim while controlling their water hoses. Fire Departments went head to head, shooting a strong stream

of water from their fire hoses at a yellow ball strung on a string above them. Whichever team got the ball moved over to the other team's side, wins! The demonstration on Friday night will begin at 7 p.m. and feature individual competition between firefighters, but also include time for the community to try. Afterward, those who want to cool down and get soaked are welcome to play in the stream of water.

The evening kicks off at 5:30 p.m. with music by Waylon Gomez. Waylon began playing guitar when he was just 6 years old. Under the instruction of Pamela Myers at Music on Grant in Crawfordsville, IN he learned music theory, how to play and read music while performing at recitals and competitions, winning many awards. With this foundation

➔ See WAVELAND Page A6

Butch Wonders...What Happened to America?



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

Life used to be simple.

There were MEN, and there were WOMEN. There were HEROES, and there were VILLAINS. There was GOOD, and there was BAD. There was RIGHT, and there was WRONG. There was NORMAL, and there was WEIRD. I was brought up to think that way. But in today's world, my way of thinking has become outdated. The lines have been blurred. When a Supreme Court justice cannot even define what a "woman" is, you know

➔ See BUTCH Page A6

Soil Health Principles

These fields could use some rain! Without going into every detail, this has not been ideal weather for gardens and crops. In farming, we often talk about weather as the biggest un-



TRICIA HERR, Purdue Extension Office



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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:26 a.m.
SET: 9:18 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures
High: 86 °F
Low: 73 °F



Today is...

- Be a Kid Again Day
- World Kebab Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1777 Vermont abolishes slavery
- 1889 Wall Street Journal published for the first time



Births On This Day

- 1839 John D Rockefeller American businessman, philanthropist, founded Standard Oil Company
- 1908 Nelson Rockefeller American politician, 41st Vice President of the U.S.

Deaths On This Day

- 1967 Vivien Leigh English actress
- 2011 Betty Ford Wife of Gerald R. Ford, 40th First Lady of the U.S

Stars Of 4-H

Please join The Paper of Montgomery County in celebrating this year's crop of 10-year 4-H members. The 2022 Montgomery County 4-H Fair is July 15-21.



Stars of 4-H Hadley Broadwater 10-Year Member



Parents: Sarah DeVore & Wesley Broadwater
4-H Club: Happy Hoosiers
4-H Projects Taken: Swine, Personality, Tractor, Shooting Sports, Crafts
4-H Awards Received: Consumer Clothing Award, Advanced Sewing Construction Award, Senior Fashion Revue Award, American Sewing Guild Award
4-H Accomplishments: Grand Champion Barrow (2021), Reserve Grand Champion Ewe (2020, 2019), 3rd Overall Ewe (2021), 4th Overall Ewe (2021), 5th Overall Ewe (2018), Grand Champion Market Lamb (2020), Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb (2021), 4th Overall Market Lamb (2021), 5th Overall Market Lamb (2020), Intern, Sheep Showmanship Champion (2018), Senior Sheep Showmanship Champion (2019), Overall Showmanship Champion (2021, 2020), IN State Fair Fashion Revue 2nd Alternate (2018)
High School: North Montgomery High School
Plans for Next Year: Attend Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Illinois to become a member of the livestock judging team

Stars of 4-H Carlie DeSmet 10-Year Member



Parents: Jon & Nicole DeSmet
4-H Club: Wayne Winners
4-H Projects Taken: Scrapbooking, Photography, Woodworking, Rocketry, Beef Poster
High School: North Montgomery High School
Plans for Next Year: Attend IUPUI to study Dental Hygiene

Stars of 4-H Jade Gann 10-Year Member



Parents: Mindy Smith & Mark Gann
4-H Club: C'ville Clovers
4-H Projects Taken: Sheep, Goats, Photography
4-H Awards Received: Kaitlyn Crawford Award (Goats)
4-H Accomplishments: Rate of gain for sheep
High School: Southmont Sr. High School
Plans for Next Year: Go to a design school to pursue interior decorating and professional organizing

➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Looking for something to do tomorrow? Try the Farmers' Market in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville. See you there



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➔ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE
Want To Go?

The Linden Depot Museum staff is busy preparing for the second annual Midwest Railroad Fair to be held Saturday, August 13 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The admission price of \$6 for adults and \$1 each for children includes the fair and all museum attractions. They are looking forward to a large turn out and hope you are able to be a part of it. The museum is located at 520 N. Main Street, Linden, IN 47955.

➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Seniors should get rid of throw rugs or at least tape them to the floor.
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.



➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"It was while making newspaper deliveries, trying to miss the bushes and hit the porch, that I first learned the importance of accuracy in journalism."
Charles Osgood

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

Joe recently went on the Dolly Parton diet. It really made Joe lean, Joe lean, Joe lean! (And a special thanks to Judi Wootton for these last few chuckles!)

➔ OBITUARIES
Robert Max Brady

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7 DAY FORECAST

77/92 45% CHANCE	73/86 70% CHANCE	71/81 BECOMING LESS HUMID	58/82 SUNNY AND PLEASANT	61/88 MOSTLY SUNNY	70/86 SLIGHT SHOWERS CHANCE	60/83
THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED

OBITUARIES

Robert Max Brady
Jan. 1, 1974 - July 5, 2022

Robert Max Brady, also called "Skippy" passed away of natural causes on Tuesday evening at St. Vincent Heart Hospital in Carmel. He was 48.

Born Jan. 1, 1974 in Crawfordsville, he was the son of Robert Max Douglas and Beverly Irene Centner Brady.

He graduated from Crawfordsville High School. He was married to Wendy Cummins, who survives.

Survivors include four sons, Michael (Shiann Morris) Cummins, Dylan (Sierra) Cummins, Caleb (Teaya Webb) Cummins and Tyler (Maleighah) Cummins; daughter, Haley (Elijah) Cummins-Cannon; companion, Anneliese Coleman and her daughter, Anissah, or "Nugget" who was his best friend; brother, Charlie Brady, along with his kids, Maycee, Lexi, Katelynn; brother, Scott Brady; three sisters, Paula, Tina, Sherry; six grandchildren, Finlee Cummins, Michael Cummins, Jr., Ryan Cummins, Kensley Cummins, Addison Cummins and Dean Cummins.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be from 12 Noon until 2 p.m. Friday at Burkhart Funeral Home, 201 W. Wabash Avenue. Services will begin at 2 p.m. with family and friends sharing memories. Interment will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery in the green burial section.

Online condolences may be made at www.Burkhart-FH.com.



Hoosier Heartland State Bank Provides Free Financial Literacy Program To Local Schools

Local students are getting a free education in how to manage their money. Hoosier Heartland State Bank is working with Banzai, a national award-winning financial literacy program, to make online, remote-friendly curriculum available to schools in Montgomery, Putnam and Parke counties completely free.

"Banzai is a web-based financial literacy program. Kids get their own accounts, and they work through assignments that are based on real life," said Morgan Vandagriff, co-founder of Banzai. "But because HHSB is sponsoring it, local schools get it for free. More than ever, it's important that kids develop sound financial skills to prepare them for the real world, and Hoosier Heartland State Bank realizes that and they're doing something about it."



Banzai is an interactive, online program supplemented by printed workbooks and aligns with Indiana state curriculum requirements for personal finance education. The course work can be completed on any internet enabled computer or mobile device, and teachers are able to monitor student progress remotely. It has become the largest program of its kind, servicing more than 60,000 teachers nation-

wide. HHSB has offered time, money, industry experience, and a variety of bank resources to help local schools teach personal finance in the classroom. Students using the program are exposed to real-life scenarios where they learn to pay bills and balance a budget - but it's not always easy. Students must learn to manage unexpected expenses such as parking tickets, interest charges

and overdraft fees. The educational program also introduces students to auto loans, bank statements, entertainment costs, savings and more.

Educators interested in using the Banzai program can visit myhhsb.teach-banzai.com.

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For more information or to arrange an interview via phone or in-person, please contact Lacey Rogers at 765.323.4833 or Brad Monts at 765.942.2000 or visit www.myhhsb.com.

Engagement



Hannah Stumpf and Chester Gorski III

It is with great excitement that Melissa and David Stumpf of Marshall, Indiana and Melanie and Chester Gorski II of Clearwater, Florida announce the upcoming wedding of their children, Hannah Stumpf and Chester Gorski III. Chester was born in Cincinnati, Ohio and grew up in many states. He attended Taylor University earning a degree in Biology. Chester currently works at Charles Schwab where

he's been a derivatives trader for five years.

Hannah was born and raised in Marshall, Indiana. She attended Taylor University earning a degree in International Studies. Hannah currently works in Indianapolis where she is also applying to law programs.

Chester and Hannah will become Mr. and Mrs. Gorski on March 3rd, 2023 before friends and family at The Montage in Indianapolis.

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USC, UCLA Make The Big Ten Stretch Sea-to-Shining-Sea, Plus Notes From Kenny

I'm not old enough to remember when the Dodgers left Brooklyn for Los Angeles and the Giants departed to San Francisco from New York's Polo Grounds. But last week's news that USC and UCLA were leaving the Pac-12 Conference for the Big Ten had to be a shift nearly as seismic in the sports world.



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

The closest Big Ten rival to the two Los Angeles-based schools is Nebraska, whose Lincoln outpost is nearly 1,500 miles away. That's 19 hours, 25 minutes by car or bus; more than three hours by plane.

The Big Ten now ranges, as the song goes, from sea to shining sea. The most eastern home in commissioner Kevin Warren's league, Rutgers, is 2,791 miles from Los Angeles to New Brunswick, N.J. Or, as Google describes it, a 38-hour trip by car – if traffic is light. Who knew Google had a sense of humor?

One of the first thoughts when the addition of USC and UCLA was announced? Purdue and Indiana have no chance of ever winning a Big Ten football championship again.

But upon reflection, how much of a chance do the Boilermakers and Hoosiers have even without two of the biggest

sends the best two teams by conference record to the final.

The 3-6 format breaks down into three permanent rivals – in Purdue's case probably Indiana, Illinois and Northwestern – and a yearly rotation of six other Big Ten foes. With this setup, in a four-year period every Big Ten school will have home and away games with all of the other league members.

This, of course, assumes the Big Ten (and the SEC) remain at 16 members. As we learned last week, never say never when it comes to conference expansion.

The only game-changing move remaining for the Big Ten is adding Notre Dame. The Fighting Irish have been proudly independent since the days before Knute Rockne. But, the astronomical sums of money being thrown around by Fox, ESPN and other outlets makes Notre Dame's \$15 million annual payday from NBC for its home games look like chump change.

More than one media source has reported the Big Ten's newest TV deal could be worth up to \$100 million per school annually. Could the Fighting Irish's independence be purchased for that extra \$85 million a year?

Let's say Notre Dame

joins in 2025, when its NBC contract expires. Seventeen members makes it difficult for football schedule makers. Perhaps adding a traditional Notre Dame rival like Stanford could sweeten the pot for the Fighting Irish. Stanford would also be quite the academic coup.

Let's also use our imagination to figure how this could work in football scheduling. How about four divisions, two with five schools and two with four schools?

Illiana Division: Purdue, Indiana, Notre Dame, Illinois, Northwestern

Buckeye Division: Ohio State, Michigan, Penn State, Rutgers, Maryland

Great Lakes Division: Iowa, Michigan State, Minnesota, Wisconsin

Golden State Division: Nebraska, Stanford, USC, UCLA

The "winners" of each division would meet in the Big Ten semifinals at the Rose Bowl and, if it's ready by then, the new Chicago Bears stadium. The championship game is played at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis the following week. Think Fox Sports/ESPN/CBS/NBC would want the rights to that setup?

Luckily for Purdue and Indiana, when it comes to men's basketball UCLA isn't your father's Bruins any more. One national

championship (1995) since Purdue legend John Wooden retired and that came from a coach (Jim Harrick) who would be fired the next year for NCAA recruiting violations.

Mick Cronin is UCLA's 10th coach since Wooden retired following the 1975 national championship and is the most successful since Harrick with a 51-23 record and one Final Four appearance.

USC, always in UCLA's basketball shadow, has found stability in coach Andy Enfield. After leading Florida Gulf Coast to a historic run in 2013 as the first No. 15 seed to reach the Sweet 16, Enfield has built a consistent winner at USC.

In nine seasons the Trojans have set the school single season wins record (26 in 2016-17 and 2021-22) and have won 160 games the past seven seasons with one Elite Eight appearance.

Noteworthy First-round draft pick Jaden Ivey is among five former Purdue player participating in the NBA Summer League this month.

Dakota Mathias was the first to make an appearance, scoring 10 points for Memphis in a 103-99 victory against Philadelphia.

Sasha Stefanovic

is with San Antonio, Trevion Williams will be suiting up for Boston and Vincent Edwards is on the Knicks' summer roster. ...

It's déjà vu again for Purdue men's basketball. Days after being assigned yet another game with Florida State in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge, the Boilermakers drew Marquette for a home matchup in the Gavitt Games.

The Nov. 15 game will be the third Gavitt matchup in a row between the Big Ten and Big East schools. Purdue won in 2017 but lost to Marquette in 2019.

Had the Gavitt schedule makers used any imagination, a Purdue-Seton Hall game would have been a logical choice.

Seton Hall first-year coach Shaheen Holloway was the mastermind of St. Peter's Elite Eight run this past March, which included upsets of Kentucky and Purdue.

Indiana will pay a visit to Xavier and Villanova travels to Michigan State on Nov. 18 to cap off an eight-game schedule beginning with Butler at Penn State on Nov. 14.

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

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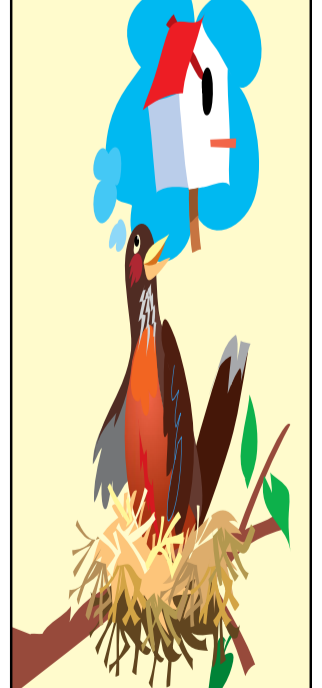
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	<p>Position hiring for: Auto Body and Paint technician</p> <p>Do you love working on cars? Helping your neighbors and friends get the most out of their vehicle? Have an eye for design? Then this is the job for you!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There aren't many benefits. But you can qualify for unpaid vacations • Hours would be 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday • Experienced only, please. 	<p>Up to \$30 an hour</p>	<p>To apply, come by the shop at 7479 S 1000 W Jamestown, IN 46147; or call (765) 676-5964!</p>
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Indiana Private Colleges To Host Special Visits July 18–22 For Private College Week

Indiana's 29 private, nonprofit colleges are offering special visits to students and their families as part of Indiana Private College Week from July 18 through July 22. Prospective students and their families interested in the college selection process will experience the unique personalities of each campus through tours, informational sessions, and conversations with current students and staff. A complete list of participating campuses, event schedules, and registration information is available at icindiana.org/pcw.

"Students and their families can make the best decision about where to attend by seeing the dorms and classrooms, meeting with faculty and staff, and seeing themselves thriving on campus," says Kurt Dykstra, president and CEO of Independent Colleges of Indiana.

As part of this week,

several campuses are hosting 21st Century Scholars Day on Wednesday, July 20 (please check the schedule for participating campuses). Scholars, as well as all other students, are invited to visit ICI institutions hosting special activities designed to help complete the requirements of the Scholar Success Program. The program includes 12 college-prep activities, mandatory for Scholars but recommended for all students, including visiting a campus, estimating college costs, searching for scholarships, and submitting a college application.

Additionally, aspiring private college students have access to a new search tool with accurate employment and salary statistics, key information about the long-term value of their prospective undergraduate degrees. Conducted in partnership with ICI and U.S.

Census Bureau, the data can be found online at icindiana.org/gradfacts.

"We want all students and families to discover that an Indiana private college education is within reach in terms of affordability," says Dykstra. "In addition to federal and state grants, including the 21st Century Scholarship, ICI colleges and universities provide millions of scholarship dollars to students, making a top-flight college degree a dream come true for tens of thousands of students. In addition, the ICI GradFacts tool offers prospective students valuable information demonstrating the return on investment of a college education."

Visitors between the ages of 16 and 20 touring ICI campuses during Private College Week will also have the chance to enter a drawing for a Microsoft Surface or Apple iPad. Entry forms and rules will be avail-

able from each campus.

Although Indiana's private colleges encourage and welcome visitors throughout the year, this concentrated week offers students an opportunity to visit as many campuses as they would like without missing school. Individual tours may also be scheduled upon personal request.

Independent Colleges of Indiana serves as the collective voice for the state's 29 private, nonprofit colleges and universities. ICI institutions employ more than 22,000 Hoosiers and generate a total local economic impact of over \$5 billion annually. Students at ICI colleges have Indiana's highest four-year, on-time graduation rates, and ICI institutions produce 30 percent of Indiana's bachelor's degrees while enrolling 20 percent of its undergraduates. More information is available at icindiana.org.

Indiana Department Of Education Partnering With Get Your Teach On To Support & Celebrate Educators

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) is launching a first-of-its-kind partnership to provide interactive professional development and support to educators across the state.

The partnership with Get Your Teach On (GYTO), an organization established by highly-acclaimed educators Hope and Wade King, will provide Indiana educators and administrators with free access to conferences, workshops and training sessions developed to ignite their passion for teaching and promote positive educational outcomes for students.

"Get Your Teach On has earned a national

reputation for their work to elevate the educator profession, celebrate the good and important work that must happen within our schools, and focus on how we can keep improving for our students," said Dr. Katie Jenner, Indiana Secretary of Education. "We are thrilled to be the first state in the country to partner with Get Your Teach On and provide every Hoosier educator with an opportunity to learn, recharge and reflect on their purpose as difference-makers for our students."

This is GYTO's first partnership with a state to support free professional development workshops and trainings for educators. GYTO specializes

in providing professional development experiences for educators supporting all grade ranges, incorporating the most current, research-based strategies to promote student engagement. Through this partnership, Indiana educators and administrators will spend time with the GYTO team learning best practices for building and retaining an engaging classroom environment.

Through a multi-tiered approach, conferences, workshops and training sessions for educators and administrators serving students in pre-K through grade eight will start this summer and will continue through the 2022-2023 and then 2023-2024 school years. Later this

month, GYTO will host four free two-day mini educator conferences across the state with locations in Muncie, Brownsburg, Crown Point, and Columbus. In September, administrators will have the opportunity to attend one of four free one-day mini leadership conferences.

An additional opportunity for a select number of Indiana schools to receive intensive support throughout the school year through quarterly two-day in-school trainings will be announced soon. Conference registration and additional information can be found online at <https://www.getyourteachon.com/indiana>.

11 Hoosier Food Banks Receive \$1 Million In State Funding

Lieutenant Governor of Indiana Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) announced this week that 11 Indiana food banks will receive a combined total of \$1 million to support their efforts in feeding Hoosiers in need.

"This funding provided by the Indiana General Assembly will go far in assisting Hoosiers with food and other basic necessities," said Lt. Gov. Crouch, who also serves as the Indiana Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "Food banks and pantries are vital in their communities around the state, and they cannot do their work without adequate funding and volunteers. I am proud to support their efforts in making Hoosier families and seniors more food secure."

According to Feeding Indiana's Hungry, while the long lines outside of food banks and food pantries may not have been as noticeable in 2021 as the year before, nearly 1 in 6 Americans received food assistance from the charitable sector last year.

"Our member food banks continue to see clients in numbers well above 2019 levels. New and pressing challenges – including war abroad and inflation and higher costs of food, gas and other necessities – are impacting the ability of individuals and families, especially with lower incomes, to make ends meet. For any Hoosier to be unsure from where their next meal will come is unacceptable," said Emily Bryant, executive director of Feeding Indiana's Hungry. "We're grateful for the support of the General Assembly, Lt. Gov. Crouch and the Indiana State Department of Agriculture for providing additional support to our members to enable them to increase their capacity and ability to serve their communities."

ISDA Director Bruce Kettler is hopeful this increased funding will go a long way in supporting these organizations.

"I am proud that this vital funding flows from the General Assembly through our department to assist these food banks in providing food and nutritional assistance to

those who need it most," said Kettler.

The funding was provided by the Indiana Legislature, as part of its biennial budget. The distribution amounts were determined using The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TFAP) fair share percentages for Indiana, which captures poverty and unemployment levels in each county.

"As the COVID-19 emergency came under control in terms of food insecurity, another took its place. Soaring food, fuel and housing prices are affecting many Hoosier families," said Victor Garcia, CEO of the Food Bank of Northwest Indiana. "Our neighbors know they can turn to the emergency food assistance programs provided by the Food Bank of Northwest Indiana. Simply put, support from our partners at ISDA have helped our organization sustain the unprecedented number of friends and neighbors that need a helping hand."

Garcia continued, "In addition, this funding provided the financial resources needed to

launch pilot projects serving Hoosier veterans, individuals experiencing homelessness and at-risk pregnant women."

The following list includes the food banks are receiving funding for fiscal year 2023:

- Community Harvest Food Bank – \$101,400
- Dare to Care Food Bank – \$37,400
- Food Bank of Northern Indiana – \$115,000
- Food Bank of Northwest Indiana – \$97,700
- Food Finders Food Bank, Inc. – \$93,900
- FreeStore Foodbank – \$9,000
- Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana, Inc. – \$318,200
- Hoosier Hills Food Bank, Inc. – \$42,600
- Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central IN, Inc. – \$77,500
- Terre Haute Catholic Charities Foodbank, Inc. – \$44,000
- Tri-State Food Bank, Inc. – \$63,300

Visit isda.in.gov to learn more about the Indiana State Department of Agriculture Department. Visit feedingindianahungry.org to learn more about Feeding Indiana's Hungry.

Trash Talking Trash

When I was a kid, after dinner we cleared the table and scraped whatever was left on our plates into a kitchen garbage bag. That bag was then dumped in one of two huge metal drums on the side of our house that were below ground. Not buried treasure: buried trash. On Mondays some guy yanked the drums out of the ground and hauled them to the street where he threw the contents in the back of a garbage truck. That's when every dog in the neighborhood started barking.

I wish it were still that simple. Waste has become so complicated now I'm afraid to make a removal decision for fear my wife will chastise me. She has become very environmentally conscious and watches my every discardance (OK, I am sure that's not a word, but I really needed it here.)

For example, let's say I have a used Styrofoam cup. Should I throw it in the garbage can under the sink? Heaven forbid! Can it be recycled? There are guidelines on recycling bins and lists of accepted contents online. Every item requires careful scrutiny. Ink cartridges? Cooking grease? Aerosol cans? Glass thermometers containing mercury? There is no easy way to remember everything. There is even a picture on our bin's lid of soda bottles that are okay to recycle: one bottle is clear, one is brown and one is green. What about yellow? What do I do with my Dew?

Recycling bins have warnings to not dump "unknown materials." But that's why I want to get rid of the thing in the first place. It's been an unknown in my basement for 30 years.

How about the garbage disposal? What can go in there? I need special permission from Mary Ellen to use that device because the goop fills up the septic tank under the



DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

back yard. I miss that familiar grumbling sound. Oh, not from Mary Ellen: from the disposal.

My wife is also composting now. I fought this. If I wanted a woman who composted I would have left her years ago and married someone who wears white socks with sandals and listens to Joni Mitchell while she puffs the magic dragon.

We compost all leftover fruits and vegetables, and once a month a small company called Earth Mama picks up our container and for a small fee turns the waste into fertilizer for us. Some of the items we compost could just as easily be thrown in the woods for the birds and squirrels. Mary Ellen is now preparing a page of instructions for me so I don't raise the birds' cholesterol or the squirrels' blood sugar.

About a month ago, I finished eating a delicious peach and placed the pit on the kitchen counter.

"What do we do with this?" I asked Mary Ellen.

"Oh dear, I have no idea. Let me do a little research."

The pit is still sitting there. We can't recycle it or put it in the disposal or feed it to the animals in the forest. Earth Mama comes tomorrow. Now it's her problem.

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Purdue-Based Indiana Climate Summit Announces Opening Keynote Speaker

The Indiana Climate Summit, hosted by IN-CLIMATE, will be held Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2022, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Purdue Beck Agricultural Center. This is the only event bringing together professionals in the agriculture, food, and energy industries to discuss climate in Indiana and beyond. This event aims to educate, inform, and create a dialogue with the theme of "Ag as the Solution." If you attend only one event this summer, let it be The Indiana Climate Summit.

"Agriculture is a solution to climate and our voice needs to be heard," said IN-CLIMATE CEO and Founder, Sarah Beth Aubrey.

The Summit will feature Jason Weller, President of Truterra, as the opening keynote. Weller joined Land O'Lakes, Inc., in 2017 where he serves as President of Truterra, leading the team generating conservation solutions for the farmer cooperative's members and owners.

"I'm thrilled to be a part of the Indiana Climate Summit and to come together with other stakeholders from across the state to discuss how we can work together to accelerate the adoption of regenerative agriculture practices, to the benefit

of the whole community," said Weller. "At Truterra, we are focused on co-investing with ag retailers to provide farmers the tools and resources they need to expand their sustainability efforts and access new market opportunities that help their farms become more resilient and derive the most value from every acre."

Additional sessions include panels on green finance and with Indiana legislators who will discuss climate. Breakout sessions are offered for both ag and energy industry professionals on topics including ESG 101, the status of the proposed SEC climate disclosure, marketing climate-smart farms, and carbon market opportunities.

IN-CLIMATE exists to convene diverse stakeholders across the entire food supply chain to come together in a collaborative dialog to advance decision-making and inform balanced climate policy that benefits Indiana's farmers and all people of our state. This coalition is the first gathering of Indiana organizations representing the food supply chain, fuel, and natural resources industries to better understand and ultimately guide the conversation around climate.

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Above, two firefighters play an exciting game of waterball. The evening kicks off at 5:30 p.m. with music by Waylon Gomez (below)

and his natural gift, he learned to play by ear and memory. This broadened his musical repertoire from the classics to the most modern songs and everything in between. Waylon has performed at festivals, fairs, parties, private events and several musicals at school, the local theater and church. In the fall of 2022 he will be starting his junior year at

Southmont High School, where he is a straight-A student and talented athlete. This talent is not to be missed!

Waveland Strong will also have food and concessions for sale, featuring grilled pork sandwiches, hamburgers, and hot dogs, along with concession items.

Grab your lawn chairs and bring the family for a fun evening together!

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known. Will it be a liability or will it be a friend? Weather will affect yields, determine crop insurance pay outs, determine markets, and decide the supply and demand. It is what keeps every grower humble.

For something that decides the yield it would be nice to know your crops will be resilient to all types of weather. There are many ways for farmers to plan for what they think the weather will be. For example, farmers with sandy soils tend to use drought tolerant hybrids, meaning it can perform well with less water. Where heavy winds are typical to their weather events, corn hybrids with low lodging scores will be selected, farmers want a sturdy corn plant.

So how do we build resilience to the unpredictable? It's as simple as building healthy soils. "Soil health" is the capacity of a soil to function as a vital, living ecosystem

that sustains plants, animals, and humans. There are four principles to soil health.

1. Maximize Living Roots Year-Round – Using crops, cover crops and forages
2. Minimize Disturbance – Lower disturbance from chemicals, tillage, and over-grazing
3. Maximize Biodiversity – Using crop rotations and cover crops, can include grazing ruminants
4. Maximize Soil Cover – Using residues and living plants to protect soil surface

Soils that are practicing all four principles have shown to be more resilient to drought conditions AND heavy rain falls throughout the growing season. The healthy soils tend to be filled with water stable soil aggregates. Stable aggregates help with water infiltration and water retention. We soil conservationists often see patterned tile drainage as a solution to saturated soils. It is very

important to determine if the saturation and ponding in fields is because of the water table or is it a water infiltration issue? Tile drainage definitely has its benefits and works very well together with the four soil health principles.

The soil health principles are conservation practices that when all practiced can do some amazing things for your crop production, bottom line, and the local environments. Just to name a few: build organic matter, develop better root systems and root establishment, nutrient cycling and scavenging, lower fertilizer costs, higher yields, cleaner water, and less water run-off.

If you are curious about building weather resiliency or where your soil's health currently stands, I can help! Assessments can be done for landowners, land renters, farmers, and gardeners. Soil health assessments can be performed year-round and

they measure 11 indicators of soil health.

To find out more about the upcoming events please check the Purdue Extension Montgomery County website

Upcoming Events:
Montgomery County Fair: July 15-21

Farm Management Tour: July 19 Sharpsville, IN and Atlanta, IN

Farm Management Tour: July 20 Michigantown, IN and Tipton, IN

Purdue Student Farm and Small Farms Field Day: July 29 at Purdue Student Farm West Lafayette, IN

Clean Sweep at Hendricks County Fairgrounds: Aug. 25 in Danville, IN

Digital Ag Field Day in West Lafayette: Sept. 8th 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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BUTCH From Page A1

our society is in trouble. The TRUTH has become what anyone wants it to be at any given moment according to their own beliefs and politics. Our society, our government, and many citizens in our country seem to have no common sense. Joe Biden is lost. I don't hate him. I just feel sorry for him. "Hope and Change" Obama is in his \$15 million house, counting his money. And Hillary, I'm sorry, but you just need to go away, and you can take Michael Moore and Whoopi with you. And to all you die-hard Trump fans, despite what you believe he may have accomplished, it's doubtful that he will be elected again.

I just read Sen. Barry Goldwater's 1960 book, "The Conscience of a Conservative" for the third time. He stated, "Like so many other nations before us, we may succumb through internal weakness rather than fall before a foreign foe." President Ronald Reagan, a devoted believer in Goldwater's view of government and "the self-made man," had his faults, but in my opinion, was a great leader and down to earth. Here are a few of his quotes:

"We must reject the idea that every time a law is broken, society is guilty rather than the lawbreaker. It is time to restore the American precept that each individual is accountable for his actions."

"You won't get gun

control by disarming law-abiding citizens... Disarm the thugs and criminals, lock them up, and if you don't actually throw away the key, at least lose it for a while."

"With regard to the freedom of the individual for choice with regard to abortion, there's one individual who's not being considered at all. That's the one being aborted. And I've noticed that everybody who is for abortion...has already been born."

"Our leaders must remember that education doesn't begin with some isolated bureaucrat in Washington...Education begins in the home, where it is a parental right and responsibility."

"If we ever forget that we're one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under."

"Free enterprise has done more to reduce poverty than all the government programs dreamed up by the Democrats. The best possible social program is a job."

"With freedom goes responsibility...We might start with the Ten Commandments. If we lived by the Golden Rule, there would be no need for other laws."

"Just believe in those values that made our nation great and keep them: faith, family, hard work, and above all, freedom."

LBJ's "Great Society" and the "government is the caretaker" philosophy has become an abject failure, and the cancel culture inhibits free speech

and criticism of anyone or anything. No hard lines are drawn. Something has to give. So here are a few suggestions:

Every person who is physically able to work and refuses to accept a job offer shall receive NO welfare benefits. Hollywood and TV celebrities, and professional athletes who hate America shall be deported to Iran for one year where they can converse with fellow haters. A convicted drug dealer of meth or fentanyl, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, shall be provided a one-way ticket to North Korea. Anyone who kneels during the National Anthem or anyone who burns the flag in protest must visit a Veteran's hospital and apologize to all veterans who suffered injuries while fighting for our country. Any politician or celebrity who wants to ban guns or promotes the "defunding of police" shall not be allowed to hire any armed personal bodyguards. Any politician or celebrity who promotes "carbon-free Green energy" will not be allowed to own or drive any gas-powered vehicle or fly on any public or private airplane. No biologically-born male shall compete in any women's sports events, and the use of pronouns other than "he" or "she" shall not be allowed. Any male caught wearing their pants down below their waist down to their knees, subsequently

showing their underwear in a public place, shall be sent back to school to repeat kindergarten. White supremacists and skinheads will be made to attend church, and recite the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule each day. All public high school students, along with college professors, must pass a test on the U.S. Constitution and amendments. All national politicians will be limited to two 4-year terms and will receive no pension or benefits.

I know these may sound a little harsh, but as Ronald Reagan also said, "When you can't make them see the light, make them feel the heat...We are not, as some would have us believe, doomed to an inevitable decline...With all of the creative energy at our command, let us begin an era of national renewal."

Don't let the politicians, power brokers, tech giants, America-haters, left-wing nuts, socialists, lazy citizens, celebrities, race baiters, and those "strange" people you see at the mall define our nation. America is still the greatest country on the face of the earth...Let's not lose it. We need to speak up for the country we love.

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