TUESDAY July 26, 2022

TODAY'S VERSE

Jeremiah 33:3 "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." (KJV)





New Market recently celebrated its sesquicentennial. Jason Black gave one of The Paper's roving photographers a nice smile during the festivities. Thank you for your smile, Jason!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

The Indiana Department of Transportation announces U.S. 52 will restricted on or after Wednesday, July 27 to allow crews to build a new roadway and turn lanes to the Klondike Elementary School in West Lafayette. The restriction will be from Sagamore Parkway to Cumberland Avenue. Construction will happen in two phases. In Phase One, the northbound left travel lane and the southbound right travel lane will be closed. Work on Phase One is expected to take at least five-weeks. In Phase Two, the northbound left travel lane will remain closed, along with the southbound left travel lane. Work on Phase Two is expected to take at least threeweeks. The entire project is expected to be completed by late September, weather permitting.

It can get pretty crowded at the balmy beaches of La Jolla, CA and, recently, the crowd at La Jolla Cove got a wakeup call when a beachgoer accidentally roused a group of sea lions, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. Apparently, the sleeping mammals were awakened by a visitor who had gotten too close to them. She was frightened and started running away, the sea lions allegedly ran after her, which in turn caused a panicked mass evacuation of sunbathers. The sea lions eventually returned to the water and no one was hurt. . Patoka Lake will host a celebration for Smokey Bear's birthday on Saturday, Aug. 6 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Patoka Lake Nature Center. The Orange County Southeast Township Volunteer Fire Department will give a presentation on fire safety, including a demonstration of the Jaws of Life, at 11 a.m. There will also be opportunities to take pictures with Smokey, play games, and make a special craft to take home. The entrance fee of \$7 per vehicle for Indiana residents and \$9 for out-ofstate vehicles is required for the Newton Stewart State Recreation Area, located north of Wickliffe on State Road 164. Patoka Lake (on.IN.gov/patokalake) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.



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New Market Celebrates 150 Years





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Second street was lined with a car show during the New Market celebration of 150 years as a town (above). New Market Fire Department, Chief, Phillip Keller adds BBQ sauce to the smoked pulled pork during the celebration (below).

School Days In The 1930s And 40s



always had excellent teachers throughout grade school and high school, but probably my favorite teacher was Ed Miller, who taught sixth grade. Our







Sunrise/Sunset RISE: 6:37 a.m. SET: 9:03 p.m.

High/Low Temperatures High: 77 °F Low: 65 °F

Today is... • Aunt and Uncles Day • National Bagelfest Day

What Happened **On This Day** • 1945 Potsdam Declaration is signed • 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 is signed into law • 1963 Syncom 2, the world's first geosynchronous communications satellite is launched

Births On This Day

• 1928 Stanley Kubrick American director 1943 Mick Jagger English singer-songwriter, producer, actor

Deaths On This Day • 1863 Sam Houston American soldier, politician, 1st President of the

Republic of Texas • 1995 George W. Romney American businessman, politician

BUTCH DALE Columnist

(Note: This was written in 1988 by my father, Bill Dale, who graduated from Darlington High School in 1942.)

I had attended school at Garfield before coming to Darlington in the third grade. I was so elated to learn that Margaret Cox, my first grade teacher at Garfield, was now my third grade teacher. She had the ability to teach you something and was firm, but she was also pleasant and took much interest in all of the students. I

judge ball games, his stories of Cousin Charlie, his ghost stories with the blinds down and the lights out, our weekly Friday afternoon ciphering matches, our basketball and baseball games at recess (Ed always played on the girls' side), and Ed reaching for the paddle and taking the guilty party to the cloak room... but we could hear it all. I also remember that I won a quarter for the best recitation of the Gettysburg Address, and Mr. Miller posted the class ranking every month. One thing that really sticks out in my mind is the old crank-type telephone that Ed had in his room. The phone had two wires hanging down that Ed placed in a bucket of water. He'd then put a nickel in the bucket and have some kid try to retrieve it, with the

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JOHN O. MARLOWE With the Grain

In the famous "temple scene" in George Lucas' story Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom (1984), Harrison Ford, as our hero Indiana Jones, makes his way to steal the golden idol. He first must navigate a series of booby-trapped plates in the floor, dodge poison darts and negotiate the tripwires leading up the steps.

Standing in front of his quar-

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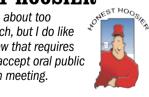
Salvation Army Of Mont. **County Council**

The Salvation Army of Montgomery County is seeking dedicated volunteers to become Advisory Council members. Council members work together to conduct the annual Red Kettle Campaign, as well as plan other activities throughout the year. There will be an informational meeting on Monday, Aug. 1 at 7 p.m. This meeting will take place at New Hope Christian Church, 2746 US 231 in Crawfordsville. People interested in learning more

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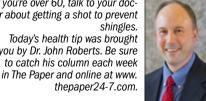
HONEST HOOSIER

Everyone gripes about too many laws and such, but I do like the new Indiana law that requires school boards to accept oral public comments at each meeting.



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you're over 60, talk to your doctor about getting a shot to prevent shingles. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week



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The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **KEITH HESS** for subscribing!



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THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE Want TO GO?

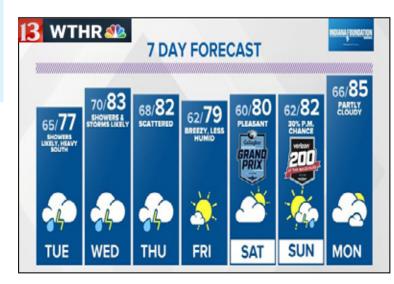
Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton would like to invite the public to downtown Pike Place today at 12 - 1 p.m. to start conversations about any concerns, input, or suggestions that the public may have concerning the city.

🗢 TODAY'S QUOTE "You only live once, but if you do

it right, once is enough." Mae West

🗢 TODAY'S JOKE

Hey Teegan, why don't mummies go on summer vacation? Gee Grandpa, I don't know, why? They're afraid they'll unwind!





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OBITUARIES

Samuel Davidson Evans June 24, 1933 - July 15, 2022

Samuel Davidson Evans, 89, formerly of Crawfordsville, Indiana and Morris, Minnesota, passed away peacefully on July 15, 2022 at Westminster Village in West Lafayette, Ind.

He was born on June 24, 1933 in Lafayette, Ind. to Samuel and Mina Evans.

He grew up on a crop and livestock farm outside of Smartsburg, Ind. During his childhood, Sam and his brothers helped on the family farm, which spurred his future interest in agriculture. He graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 1951 and was awarded a Naval Officers Training Corps (NROTC) scholarship to the

University of Illinois. During the summers of 1952-1954 he served as a communications specialist on several different naval battleships including the USS Missouri, visiting Norway, England, Scotland and France.

He graduated from the University of Illinois in 1955 with a BS in General Agriculture and received a commission as an Ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve. For the following three years he served on the destroyer USS Hickoks and the aircraft carrier USS Tarawa as an officer in the Operations Department, traveling to the western Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean, Mediterranean, and Persian Gulf.

Upon his return to the U.S., he was awarded a research assistantship at Purdue University. He received his MS in 1960 and his PhD in soil fertility in 1963. During his time at Purdue he met Ruth Coats, and the two were married on Dec. 30, 1960 in Lafayette, Ind.

In 1963, they moved to Morris, MN where they would reside for the next 35 years and raise their daughters Rebecca (1963) and Sarah (1965). He worked as a soil scientist at the West Central Experiment Station and, in 1967, took over as the station's official weather observer. He presented his research at various conferences throughout the United States and at West Central's annual Field Days. He was an active member of the Federated Church and the Morris Kiwanis Club, serving a term as the club's president in 1969.

He was an avid fisherman and spent many peaceful hours on Minnesota's lakes. He also enjoyed woodworking and taking care of the large family garden. He was a true connoisseur of popcorn and spent many seasons searching for the perfect kernels for popping! He enjoyed traveling the United States and planned many family trips across the country, often in conjunction with the annual soils research meetings.

After his retirement in 1995, he and Ruth spent time traveling the United States and the world, enjoying Elderhostels, cruises to Alaska, Mexico and through the Panama Canal, as well as trips to England, Australia and New Zealand. He achieved his goal of visiting all 50 states with a trip to Alaska in 2000, and he and Ruth had a running list of who had visited more countries.

In 1998, they moved back to Indiana and settled in Crawfordsville. They reconnected with friends and family and quickly became involved in the local community. He and Ruth were founding members of the Genealogy Club of Montgomery County, where they shared their love of history and research. He volunteered for many years as a van driver for the Indianapolis Hospitalized Veterans and indexed vital statistics and current events for the Crawfordsville District Public Library. He was a wonderful grandfather to his four grandchildren, and he and Ruth enjoyed traveling to see them at least once a year. He was extremely proud of their accomplishments and lived to see all three grandsons graduate from high school and his granddaughter graduate from college. He will be remembered as a kind, gentle man who was the perfect counterpoint to his wife Ruth's vivacious, outgoing personality. He and Ruth celebrated their 60th anniversary in 2020, the day before Ruth's passing. They leave behind a treasure trove of memories for all who were lucky enough to know them. Survivors include his daughters, Rebecca (Eric) Gottschalk and Sarah (Dan) Connolly; grandchildren Meghan Gottschalk, Benjamin Connolly, Samuel Connolly and Nathaniel Connolly; and many extended family members.

Carolyn Sue Estelle

Nov. 22, 1948 - July 22, 2022

Carolyn Sue Estelle passed away Friday, July 22, 2022.

She was born Nov. 22, 1948 at Park City, Ky. to Roy and Reba Alexander. She was one of seven children. She was a long-time employee of Penguin Random House before retiring.

Survivors include her daughter, Kandice (Tim) Powell of Calvert City, Ky.; two grandsons who were the

loves of her life, Blake and Dane Powell; three sisters, Eva Baldwin, Edna LaBeau and Dianne (Rex) Cooksey; two brothers, Roy Alexander and Bob (Frances) Alexander; several nieces and nephews; and former spouse, Ernie Estelle of New Market; and step-son, James (Cynthia) Estelle of Lebanon.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her brother, Don Alexander.

Visitation is scheduled on Saturday, July 30 at Hunt & Son Funeral Home located at 107 North Grant Avenue. Family visitation will be from 11 a.m. to noon. Public visitation will be from 12 - 2 p.m. Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Burial and graveside service will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery North with Danny Kolota officiating.Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.huntandson.com

Chuck Gleason

June 7, 1962 - July 20, 2022

Charles R. "Chuck" Gleason of Darlington passed away Wednesday night at home. He was 60. Born June 7, 1962 in Crawfords-

ville, he was the son of Charles Gleason and Beverly Witt Gleason.

He attended school at Darlington and graduated from North Montgomery. He married the former Annie Spurlock on Nov. 12, 2000. She survives.

He was an avid Cubs fan. He liked to draw, play drums and do photography. His article, "Out n About" appeared every Thursday in the Journal Review for many years. He worked at Prairie Industries for 10 years, before going to work at Subaru in Lafayette, where he worked 33 years, retiring Feb. 26 of this year.

Survivors include his wife, Annie Gleason; mother, Beverly Gleason; sister, Marsha Gleason; two brothers, Carl and Mike Gleason; seven children, Chris (Nikki) Gleason, Jessica (Eddie) Alton, Rosie (Jared) Hodges, Paige Palmer, Melisa Blackburn, Randi Gleason and Isaiah Gleason; and fifteen grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Charles Gleason; uncle, Gene Gleason; grandson, Grayson Hodges; niece, Melissa Shillings; grandparents, Carl and Opal Witt and James and Maudie Gleason.

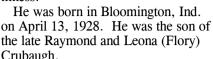
Visitation is scheduled from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the East Side Baptist Church, 2000 Traction Road, Crawfordsville, with services at the Church on Wednesday, July 27 at 10:30 a.m., led by Pastor Brian Holt. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery North. Attendees are encouraged to wear a Cubs shirt.

Online condolences may be made at www.Burkhart-FH.com. In the words of Chuck Gleason "I love you all and Jesus loves you, too."

Dylan May

Rev. Philip R. Crubaugh

Rev. Philip Ray Crubaugh, 94, formerly of Newtown and had been residing in Mulberry, passed away in the Mulberry Health and Retirement Community, on Monday, July 18, 2022 at 11:30 p.m. following a brief illness.



He was raised in Bloomington and graduated from Bloomington High School. He later attended Anderson College and received his Divinity Degree in 1962.

He served as pastor in the Church of God, first in Stringtown and later planted a church in Crawfordsville. He then finished his degree in Anderson College and went on to pastor churches in Sturgis, Mich.; LaPorte, Ind.; Wabash, Ind. and retired following his pastorate at South Whitley, Ind. He retired after 50 years of service and moved to Newtown, Ind. and lived there until moving to Mulberry in 2006. While living in Mulberry he was active in leading Bible studies and ministry at the Mulberry Health and Retirement Community. For the past 7 years he had been attending the Dayton United Methodist Church, where he taught Sunday School to the Senior Class. He was also active in the Promise Keepers Mens Group of the Dayton Church. While pastoring in Sturgis, Mich. and LaPorte, Ind., he was active in the Kiwanis Club and served as President. He was an avid reader and a devoted grandfather, following the activities of his grandchildren.

On Aug. 27, 1948, He married Thelma Eileen Knowles in Newtown, Ind. Thelma preceded him in death on August 2, 2012.

Survivors include two daughters, Gelene (Jack) Walter, Lafayette and Cheryl (Rex) Cook, Lebanon; two grandchildren, Jade (Crysta) Kas and Tyler Ray (Shelby) Street; five great grandchildren, Brady Kas, Sydnie Kas, twins Charlie and Jacoby Kas and Rae Street.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Linda Rae Crubaugh; and a sister, Jeanette Wagner.

Friends may call at the Maus Funeral Home, Attica, on Monday, July 25, from 11 a.m. until the Celebration of Life Service at p.m. with Pastor Craig Overman officiating. He will be laid to rest next to his wife, Thelma, in the Mt. Hope Cemetery, Covington. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mulberry Alzheimer's Wing or the Gideon's Bible. Condolences may be sent online to www.mausfuneralhome.com.

Ruth Webb Lester

Feb. 16, 1931 - July 20, 2022

Ruth Webb Lester, 91, passed from this life on Wednesday afternoon at Westminster Village North in Indianapolis.

She was born Feb. 16, 1931 in Mace, Indiana, and was the daughter of Howard Webb and Helen French Webb.

She graduated from New Market HS in 1949. She married James "Jim"





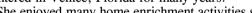


April 13, 1928 - July 18, 2022



the late Raymond and Leona (Flory) Crubaugh.

Lester on Nov. 10, 1950. Following retirement, they wintered in Venice, Florida for many years. She enjoyed many home enrichment activities such as sewing, gardening, canning and freezing vegetables, and made awesome homemade noodles, pies and jelly. She worked many years for Elston Bank, taking time off to raise her family. She loved playing saxophone in the Montgomery County Civic Band. Attending activities of her children and grandchildren was her delight, as was bowling and playing euchre with her friends. She was a long-time active member of Woodland Heights Christian Church. Survivors include her daughter, Carol Lester Andersen (John) of Indianapolis; sons, Chris and Aren; daughter, Janet Lester Kean (Michael) of Cincinnati; daughter, Lauren; son, John Lester (Rebecca) of Clarksville, Arkansas; daughters and son Samantha (Arun) Kumar, Madison (Will) Twenter, Dana and Adam; four great-grandchildren, Maya, Cameron, Grace and Myles, and Rebecca's children, Vada and Shane. She also has two sisters, Nancy Pierson (Bob) of New York and Martha Boone (Tom) of Crawfordsville. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband. Jim; brother, Tom Webb; and infant daughter, Paula Lynn. Visitation is scheduled from 5 – 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 27 at Burkhart Funeral Home. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home with Pastor Steve Wilke officiating. Masks optional. The service will be live streamed at https://www.facebook.com/burkhartfuneralhome/. Burial will follow at Indian Creek Hill Cemetery. The family would like to gratefully acknowledge the staff at Westminster Village North for the exceptional care given to Ruth in her final years. Donations in memory of Ruth Lester may be made to the Montgomery County Civic Band, attn Gary Ketchum, P.O. Box 719, Crawfordsville, IN 47933.



He was preceded in death by his parents; and brothers, Grove Evans and Max Evans.

He will be buried alongside Ruth at Oak Hill Cemetery in Crawfordsville. A memorial service will be held on Aug. 6 at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Crawfordsville. Family and friends are encouraged to post memories of Sam on the Hunt & Son Funeral Home's website.

Donations in Sam's name may be made to the Genealogy Club of Montgomery County in Crawfordsville or the West Central Research and Outreach Center (WCROC) Horticulture Fund in Morris, MN.



Sept. 21, 1983 - July 16, 2022

He died peacefully on July 16, 2022 in Crawfordsville, Ind. after a one-year battle with bone cancer. He was strong and courageous... a real superhero. He had already survived a brainstem tumor in 1993.

Dylan Tavis May was born Sept. 21, 1983 on Moon Mountain Christmas Tree Farm in Sonoma, Calif.

He loved music and doing kara-

oke. He was an avid Indianapolis Colts fan. He had a great sense of humor. He also lived in Mt. Kisco, N.Y., Cortez, Co., Chino Valley, Az. and Prescott Valley, Az. Recently, he attended and was supported by the congregation at Christ Lutheran Church in Crawfordsville.

Survivors include his father, Douglas May and Linda Talley-Branch of Dolores, Co.; mother, Karen Westbrook and step-father, Shannon Westbrook of Crawfordsville, Ind.; his brother and sister, Alec and Alyssa May of Prescott Valley, Az.; step-sister, Elsie Hinote and her husband, Aden Hinote of Tilton, Ill.; niece, Jaylyn May and nephew, Skylar Ross; aunts and uncles, Griff and Yoongsoon Hughes, Greg and Noreen Hughes, Robert and Mildred Westbrook; cousins, David, Steven, Geoffrey and Christina Hughes, Anthony and Kasandra Poshepny, Logan and J. D. Westbrook.

Cremation arrangements were made through Burkhart Funeral Home, Crawfordsville.





Abortion Restrictions Loom In Patriarchal Indiana

Next week, 150 Hoosier legislators, including 110 men, will convene in special session to determine the most restrictive abortion laws in state history that stand to change the lives of thousands of women.

Attorney General Todd Rokita and Terre Haute attorney Jim Bopp Jr., had dominated the post-Roe era semantics leading up to the July 25 special session. Rokita fired off wild allegations against a female OB-gyn who performed a legal abortion on a 10-year-old Ohio girl who had been raped, vowing he would "not relent" until finding "the truth." IU Health said that Dr. Caitlin Bernard had followed all Indiana laws

"It's always shocking to me that people are surprised to hear about these stories," Dr. Bernard said in an interview with The New York Times. "The fact that anyone would question such a story is a testament to how out of touch lawmakers and politicians are with reality."

Bopp, who helped the National Right to Life Committee develop "model" abortion restriction legislation, told Politico on Thursday, "We don't think, as heart wrenching as those circumstances are, we don't think we should devalue the life of the baby because of the sins of the father."

Gov. Eric Holcomb, House Speaker Todd Huston and Senate President Pro Tem Rodric Bray will play key roles in passing and signing these abortion restrictions, with Holcomb drawing back from his "no red lines" stance on what he wouldn't sign.



BRIAN HOWEY Howey Political Report

All of this comes in Indiana, a patriarchal state.

We've never elected a female governor or U.S. senator. We've had one female (Jill Long Thompson) nominated by a major party for governor. We've had four consecutive female lieutenant governors, but none of them has mounted a serious gubernatorial campaign to date, though Lt.. Gov. Suzanne Crouch reported raising \$881,000 this month and is expected to announce her candidacy after the November elections.

There has never been a major party female U.S. Senate nominee. There has never been a female House speaker or Senate president pro tempore. There has never been a female House Ways & Means chair, or a Senate Appropriations or Budget Committee chair.

When you survey the House Republican hierarchy, State Rep. Sharon Negele is deputy speaker pro tempore, Karen Engleman is assistant majority floor leader and Cindy Ziemke is assistant majority caucus chair. Rep. Wendy McNamara chairs the Courts and Criminal Code Committee. In the Senate, State Sen. Liz Brown is assistant majority floor leader (and chairs the Senate Judiciary Committee) and Glick is assistant president pro tempore. Sen. Jean Leising chairs the Senate Agriculture Committee.

Out of the three branches of government, only Chief Justice Loretta Rush has risen to the top. Only two of the 11 congressional seats are held by women.

Indiana Republicans just replaced their secretary of state nominee from an incumbent woman Holli Sullivan with Diego Morales.

There has only been one female major party chairman, Ann DeLaney for the Democrats.

There has never been a female mayor of Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, South Bend, Evansville or Hammond. We've witnessed a series of oneterm female mayorships in Columbus, Elkhart, Muncie and Terre Haute.

Additionally, women are missing in action when it comes to Indiana media and opinion leaders. There are no regularly published female political columnists operating in the state.

When it comes to abortion restrictions, there are three camps emerging: The first is Senate establishment Republicans who unveiled SB1 and 2 on Wednesday proposing an abortion ban once a fetus attaches to a uterus with the traditional trinity of carve outs (rape, incest, and life of the mother). The second is the more radical prolife movement, who are pushing for a total ban (Indiana Right to Life is calling SB1 "a weak and troubling bill"). They are upset that Sen. Liz Brown was pushed out of sponsoring SB1, replaced by State Sen. Sue Glick, the

former LaGrange County prosecutor who said Wednesday, "Being pro life is not about criminalizing women. It's about preserving the dignity of life and helping mothers bring happy, healthy babies into the world."

The third camp is Indiana Democrats, who are so weak (holding only 40 of the 150 seats) that they will have little impact, but could form an unholy alliance with pro-life radicals to thwart SB1.

LaKimba DeSadier, Indiana state director for Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates Indiana: "Today's unveiling of the Senate's plan to eliminate Hoosiers' access to basic health care confirms our greatest fears: A complete ban on abortion is on its way to Indiana." So, in this broiler of

so, in this broner of a summer between next Monday and Aug. 14 will come one of the most contentious policy sequences in Indiana history, which will be how to restrict access to abortion in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's scuttling of Roe v. Wade with its Dobbs decision.

To put this into historical context, think of the huge teacher rally in November 2019, or 1996 when 20,000 union activists thunderously opposed prevailing wage legislation, to the point that the marble Statehouse floors literally shook. Indiana Right to Life is calling activists to the Statehouse on Monday. Pro-choice advocates will respond. Stay tuned.

The columnist is publisher of Howey Politics Indiana at www.howeypolitics.com. Find Howey on Facebook and Twitter @hwypol. It was Doc who first noticed Dud's strange behavior.

I was too busy trying to drop an elk-hair caddis fly, size 16, just beyond that big smooth rock on Lewis Creek. I know there's a big rainbow trout in that hole there, you see, and there is nothing more important, on a summer morning like this one, than enticing that big rascal into delivering himself to my waiting hands.

But Doc noticed that Dud had laid his fly rod down in the bushes and was doing strange things with his hands. Finally, Doc got my attention, pointed to Dud, and we both stopped fishing and walked over to see what our long-time pal was up to.

Dud would look around in the air, then make a one-handed grab at the air. After several grabs, he'd take two fingers of his other hand, put them in his clenched fist, and wiggle around. Then he'd smile and open his fist and look in the air again. Doc and I looked silently at each other, wondering how long it would take from our day of fishing to get Dud delivered to the nervous hospital in the

city. "Dud," said Doc, "how's the fishing?" "Huh? Oh hi. Not

fishing right now, Doc. Experimenting."

"Experimenting?" I said. Of course, I said this automatically, forgetting for a moment how time consuming it could be to start Dud explaining things of a scientific nature.

"Natural selection," Dud said, proudly. "Survival of the fittest. Yes, I decided to spend my morning in Darwinian pursuits, making the world a safer place for





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mankind."

Doc looked at me. "He's talking like that again," he said.

"Well, Doc," said Dud, "you, of all people, should be able to appreciate what I'm doing. After all, you're a man of science and a healer. I'm going to rid the world of dangerous diseases. Observe."

Then Dud made another grab at the air, and this time we could see he was snatching a mosquito out of the air. Again he used his other hand to do something to the mosquito, and then he released it.

"I'm pulling out their drillers," Dud said. "I figgered if I pull out enough drillers, then sooner or later two drillerless mosquitoes will get married and have pups and then we'll have a family of drillerless mosquitoes here on Lewis Creek. Without drillers, they won't be able to pass along yellow fever or malaria to fishermen."

Doc looked at him in a strange way. "Dud, there's never been anyone get malaria from these Lewis Creek mosquitoes."

"See?" Dud said, brightly. "It's already working."

Pick up "Home Country: Drama, dreams and laughter from the American heartland" www.lpdpress.com.

Visit DNR At The Indiana State Fair

The DNR's Natural Resources Building is the place to be during the Indiana State Fair. The fair runs July 29 to Aug. 21, excluding Mondays and Tuesdays. Located in the northwest area of the fairgrounds, DNR's building is not only one of the few with air conditioning, but also houses the best information, wild animals, and fun. Stop by the Fishin' Pond, where children ages 5-17 can fish for free.

Check out live raptors

Indiana Coalition For Human Services Urges General Assembly To Prioritize Hoosiers Most In Need

The Indiana Coalition for Human Services (ICHS) has written a letter to members and leadership of the Indiana General Assembly urging them to prioritize the best have been struggling for some time, with wages too inadequate to cover the costs of food, utilities, health care, child care and other necessities. While the intention behind delivthe fund's implementation, application approval process, oversight, and transparency are all unclear.

ICHS instead recommends the Indiana Genfederal Public Health Emergency Promote housing

Promote housing affordability and stability by aligning recovery and surplus dollars in the state Housing Trust Fund, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, and in the enforcement of habitability standards. Through their combined efforts, ICHS members regularly engage with the Hoosiers who are most affected by rising costs and disruptions to the economy. This gives the Coalition the expertise to help inform policymakers on the efficacy of choices made to help families during this crucial moment. ICHS urges the General Assembly to apply the recommendations above during this Special Session and to include the input of the human services community when crafting solutions to help Hoosiers - both now and in the future.

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ways to support families who are struggling during the upcoming Special Session.

ICHS is a nonpartisan coalition of more than two dozen organizations that educates Indiana's decision makers and communities on fact-based human service policy. ICHS members invest in, protect, and advocate for policies and programs that help all Hoosier families thrive.

The Coalition expressed appreciation for the earnest desire of the General Assembly to quickly help Hoosiers who are actively struggling with increased costs. Every day ICHS member organizations hear from Hoosiers who are struggling now, and ering funds into the hands of Hoosiers is a good one, in ICHS' estimation the proposals that have been filed for this Special Session will not sufficiently accomplish that goal.

One area that ICHS agrees with is the proposed eight allowable uses for spending from the Hoosier Families First Fund. Each of these are issues of great need for Hoosier families. However, the amount of funds in the introduced legislation is not adequate to substantially improve outcomes in these areas and is simply not proportional to the level of need. ICHS also has concerns related to the structure of the Hoosier Families First Fund. The details around

eral Assembly prioritize allotments in the following areas:

Limit food insecurity by FSSA re-implementing SNAP Emergency Allotment

• Spend surplus dollars to increase childcare access and affordability:

• reduce or remove copays for families already receiving vouchers;

• expand CCDF eligibility above 127% of FPL and add slots to reduce waitlists

Reduce utility costs by allocating surplus funds to Summer Cooling through LIHEAP

Maintain Medicaid eligibility for hundreds of thousands of Hoosiers at risk of losing coverage following the end of the daily at 4:30 p.m. at the amphitheater. While you are cooling off inside the DNR building, pick up the latest Recreation Guide, Fishing Guide, and Hunting & Trapping Guide, along with the guides for boating, offroad vehicles and much more.





IHCDA To Pause Accepting New Applications For The Indiana Emergency Rental Assistance Program On Friday

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) announced today that the agency will pause accepting new applications for the Indiana Emergency Rental Assistance (IERA) Program beginning Friday, July 29, 2022, at 5 p.m. ET.

With estimates that nearly all the federal emergency rental assistance allocated by the U.S. Department of Treasury to the State of Indiana has been requested, it is anticipated the IERA funds will soon be fully obligated.

To date, IHCDA has paid and obligated \$365 million to more than 29,000 Hoosier households. In accordance with Treasury guidelines, Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) programs can pay three months of forward-facing rent at one time. When a household is deemed eligible for assistance, IHCDA pays qualifying arrearages and late fees, plus three months of forward-facing rent and utilities, and reserves any remaining months of assistance for that household. Should they have a continued need for assistance, eligible households can recertify and receive another three months of forward-facing rent, up to a total of 18 months.

"Through the Emer-



Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority

gency Rental Assistance program, we have been able to provide housing stability to more than 29,000 Indiana house-holds," said Jacob Sipe, Executive Director of IHCDA. "We are appreciative of the federal dollars that were able to keep thousands of Hoosiers in their homes during the pandemic. IHCDA remains committed to providing housing stability for Hoosiers as we recover from the pandemic.'

IHCDA will continue to issue payments to those households already approved for an IERA benefit up to the maximum allowable benefit of 18 months. IHCDA will also continue to process applications currently in queue and reserve available funds until funds are fully obligated. IHCDA estimates it has approximately \$80 million remaining in unobligated funding. Applications currently in queue, and those that IHCDA anticipates receiving prior to the deadline, will likely fully obligate the remaining funds. In order to

ensure there is funding available to assist those households with pending applications, IHCDA will close the IERA application portal and focus on processing and distributing benefits to those households that have applied. After the portal is closed, Hoosiers can sign up to receive updates through indianahousingnow.org if the Indiana **Emergency Rental Assis**tance Portal re-opens.

To continue providing housing stability for Hoosiers, IHCDA has partnered with the Indiana Bar Foundation, Inc. (IBF) and the Indiana Community Action Association, Inc. (IN-CAA) to provide legal services and housing counseling and case management services to Hoosiers facing housing instability. These services will remain available for Hoosiers after the IERA application portal closes.

IBF was awarded \$13.1M to provide legal services to Hoosier renters. IBF's legal aid network will be assisting Hoosier renters facing eviction with legal ser-

vices including education, legal representation, and mediation between landlords and tenants. IBF's network of legal will also be using a newly enacted Indiana law to assist eligible households in sealing past evictions. Additionally, IBF plans to install "legal kiosks" in community spaces across Indiana. Legal kiosks will provide computers with specialized software and printers to allow clients to connect with legal navigators, complete forms and receive virtual legal guidance. Hoosiers in need of legal aid may go to indianalegalhelp.org.

IN-CAA was awarded \$15M to provide housing counseling and case management services for low-income Hoosiers. This includes housing navigation services to assist individuals who have already been evicted, are in process of being evicted, or are experiencing homelessness to find new rental housing options and financial education. Those in need of housing counseling may call 2-1-1 for the name of a provider in their area.

Meeting Notes

Drainage **Board Special** Meeting Âgenda Wednesday, July 27,

2022 at 9 a.m. Montgomery County Government Center, **Community Meeting** Room 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, IN 47933

Meeting Notes

Montgomery **County Board Of Zoning Appeals** Minutes

Wednesday June 22, 2022

The Montgomery County Board of Zoning Appeals met on Wednesday June 22, 2022. Those members present were Steve Loy, Seth Howell, Todd Douglas and Steve Canfield. The staff members present were Marc Bonwell and Dan Taylor.

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. Todd Douglas made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Steve Canfield seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Meeting Notes

Montgomery **County Board Of Zoning Appeals** Agenda

Wednesday July 27th, 2022, 10 a.m. Montgomery County Government Center Community Room 1580 Constitution Row,

I. CALL TO ORDER II. PLEDGE OF AL-LEGIANCE & PRAYER **III. BID OPENING** CHARLES SCHOEN 1 #552 - Reconstruction **IV. OLD BUSINESS** V. OTHER BUSINESS VI. NEW BUSINESS VII. PUBLIC COM-MENT VIII. ADJOURN-MENT

ZV-2205: Marc Bonwell introduced the request. The petitioner is land owner Cecil Gill. The property is located at 2825 S Hamilton St. in Linnsburg. He is asking for the variance regarding the minimum lot size of 1 acre. The proposed building is 30'x 30.' The staff does recommend approval of the request.

The public hearing was opened and there being no public comments, the public hearing was closed.

Seth Howell made a motion to accept the variance. The motion was seconded by Todd Douglas. The motion carried 8-0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Crawfordsville, In 47933 I. Call To Order Ii. Approval Of June 2022 Minutes Iv New Business: A. Zv2206 – Public

Hearing- Development Standard Variance, Mills, Peters

Iii. Other Business Iv. Adjournment



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Back To School Tips: Prioritizing Your Child's Mental, Emotional And Physical Health

By: Dr. Cameual Wright, CareSource Vice President and Market Chief Medical Officer

As the summer ends, TV commercials and store displays repeatedly remind us that our students' summer break is nearly over and the "Back to School" season is upon us. For parents, this means a hectic time of back-to-school shopping, new bus schedules, pick-ups, drop-offs, after school programs and evening homework help sessions. The school year can be quite a stressful time for parents as they look to maintain a work life balance within their home. We may not recognize, however, how the demands of this time can weigh heavily on students as well.

As we approach this new school year, it is important to regularly check-in with your child and recommend positive actions that support their mental, emotional, and physical health. Here are three key tips for helping your child as they navigate the new school year ahead:

Identifying Factors that are Impacting Mental & Emotional Health

Students are facing several factors that can derail their confidence and self-esteem throughout their adolescent and teenage years. Often, they are dealing with conflicts with themselves, within their personal relationships and with peers at school. They can also be experiencing academic struggles, such as adjusting to a new grade level, testing anxiety and future planning. Environmental factors such as the constant influence of social media, the pressure to engage in drugs and alcohol use, the ongoing impact of COVID-19 and local and global violence, can greatly impact a student's perception of themselves and the world around them.

The first step to supporting and providing perspective to your student is through conversation. Parents should be present and initiate discussions with their students regularly. By establishing routine conversation during dinner or other one on one time with each child, parents can bond with their student and are in a better position to recognize changes in their child's mood or behavior, including signs of increased stress, isolation, irritability or aggression.

In addition, encouraging opportunities for self-expression and involvement in social, educational or athletic activities, can help connect students to positive role models and supportive environments. School counselors and nurses are great resources to direct your students to as these professionals can provide support and advice on navigating their situation. For parents that are interested in additional information on mental health programs, Firefly Children & Family Alliance, a nonprofit organization supporting Indiana families and children, is an excellent resource to explore.

Creating Stability Through a Daily Routine

After a few months out of school, it can be difficult for all members of the family to adjust to their new daily routine, and this can especially be difficult on younger children. To help minimize stress surrounding those first few days of school, look to establish your new wake up, bedtime and meal schedules in the week or two leading up to your child's first day back. Parents can also look for opportunities to provide additional comfort and stability to their child by attending back to school functions where they can meet their teachers and locate their classroom or locker.

It can be particularly stressful for students making the transition from elementary to middle school and middle to high school. Children can often be nervous and hesitant as this is a new territory for them. In preparation for these bigger changes, establish open lines of communication with them surrounding their feelings of concern. Parents can use these conversations to reassure their child and focus on the exciting aspects of a new school and grade level.

Don't Forget to Prioritize Physical Health

Staying up to date on your child's vaccinations is key to minimizing the spread of illness within classrooms. Parents

should speak with their child's doctor to ensure they are caught up on all required immunizations. CareSource has partnered with the Indiana Immunization Coalition to help educate Hoosiers on the importance of receiving all recommended vaccinations and boosters. A key difference between this school year and last school year is that The Food & Drug Administration (FDA) has approved both the Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines for children ages six months and up. Work with your child's health care provider to determine when it is an appropriate time for them to receive their COVID-19 vaccine.

Health plans, such as CareSource, understand how illness can spread throughout a family unit, disrupting parents' ability to go to work and care for loved ones as well as children's ability to attend school. This year, we can expect cold, flu and/or COVID-19 cases occurring within schools. One of the best ways to help ensure your child and those around them remain healthy is by prioritizing proper hygiene practices. Talk to your child about the importance of proper hand washing, utilizing hand sanitizer when soap and water is unavailable, blocking their cough or sneeze with a tissue or their arm, and staying home when feeling under the weather. Together we can make going back to school a positive experience for everyone!

Suspended Crawford County Judge Resigns

The Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications has concluded an investigation into allegations of misconduct by Crawford Circuit Court Judge Sabrina Bell. Bell, who is currently suspended, has agreed to resign. She is voluntarily forfeiting her law license for 150 days, and she will not seek or accept judicial office in Indiana state courts in the future.

The seven-member Commission investigates alleged ethical misconduct by judges. If the Commission believes misconduct has occurred, it can file public formal disciplinary charges. Indiana Supreme Court rules also allow the Commission to accept an agreement with a judicial officer facing formal charges.

In May 2022, the Indiana Supreme Court suspended Bell (22S-JD-148) when felony charges related to a domestic dispute were filed against her by a special prosecutor. Those criminal charges (in a trial court) are separate from any possible disciplinary charges filed by the Commission. The Commission informed Bell it was also investigating allegations of misconduct.

Bell, who was previously suspended by the Court (19S-JD-567) in November 2019, has now resigned. The Commission agreed to conclude its investigation. The agreement is a matter of public record. More information about the Commission can be found at courts.in.gov/jqc.

How To Work Out Without Excuses

(StatePoint) It's alltoo-common for those embarking on a regular exercise routine to skip a planned workout for one reason or another. Here are some of the most common excuses that people make not to exercise, along with some solutions to overcome these challenges:

"I need low-impact exercises." Many traditional workouts are tough on joints, which over time, can cause overuse injuries or exacerbate existing conditions. To achieve your fitness goals painfree, consider low-impact exercises such as yoga, swimming and elliptical machines.

"I don't have the space to work out at home.' Whether you live in a small apartment or just can't dedicate too much space to a home gym, there's good news. Certain manufacturers of exercise equipment have your back and are developing versatile, sleek fitness equipment to address your needs. At less than 23 pounds, the Cubii Total Body+ (available now for pre-order) is a good example of a compact machine offering a low-impact, approachable and achievable workout that targets everything from abs and arms to quads and calves. With a low-impact motion, you can hit eight key muscle groups using one machine. Its elliptical component features 12 resistance levels that can be adjusted from your phone, and its resistance bands range from 2 to 7 pounds, allowing you, to tone, sculpt and strengthen your upper body, no matter what your fitness level is. "I'm not seeing results." If you've been working out for a little while and haven't seen immediate results, don't get discouraged. Whether your fitness goal centers around weight loss or getting toned, it's important to remember that little changes add up over time.

"I'm just not motivated." If keeping the exercise spark alive is difficult, consider turning to tech. New apps that connect to your equipment via Bluetooth, like the Cubii App, can send you reminders to get moving, as well as help you track your goals. They can also help you stay accountable by allowing you to connect with a fitness community and compete with friends, or join live and on-demand classes.

"I don't have any time." Between work, family and other commitments, finding the time to hit the gym for an hour or more isn't always possible. But practicing selfcare and prioritizing your own health and wellness is essential. What you may not realize is that a high-quality workout doesn't need to happen in a specific place or require a lot of time. In fact, some forms of exercise can occur while you're working or watching TV. What's more, even a short burst of activity is very beneficial to getting you strong, boosting your metabolism and energy, and improving your mood. That's where a great versatile piece of equipment for the home or office can come into play. For example, unlike a traditional standalone piece of fitness equipment, the Cubii Total Body + is a 2-in-1 system that combines cardio with upper body strength training for a full-body workout you can do anytime, anywhere. To learn more about how to get active today, visit cubii. com. Creating a new exercise habit can be an uphill struggle, especially if you are short on time, space or motivation. Luckily, new tools are emerging that can help you work out without excuses.

Tips For Travelers To Save Money And Stay Connected

(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.

suggests booking domestic 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.

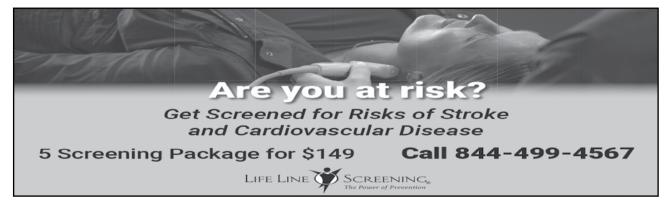
• Maximize Your Phone Plan Internationally: When traveling overseas, purchasing a local SIM for that designated country will save you roaming charges and fees. An international SIM card is another option for those traveling to multiple countries for short periods of time. Make sure to check with your 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

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 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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promise that it would be his if he was successful. A nickel was "big money" in those days. As the student would reach his hand into the bucket of water, Ed would crank the phone, causing electricity to flow. The deeper the hand went, the faster Ed would crank. Many hands jerked up and down trying for the elusive nickel!

We were in our seats every day at 8 a.m. Morning recess was from 10-10:15 a.m., lunchtime and noon recess was from 12-1 p.m., and afternoon recess was from 2-2:15 p.m. We spent the day in our individual rooms, studying and reciting, and we also ate in our rooms. What a neat way my mother had of packing my lunch in a newspaper! At dismissal time in the afternoon, we marched out as the piano played, two classes at a time, down the west stairs, with the town kids going on



Photo courtesy of Butch Dale

Bill Dale

home and the country kids to their buses.

I remember wearing the same pants, shirt, and underwear to school all week. They were old, but you put on older ones when you got home! Most everyone had a "homemade" haircut. Standard discipline was the paddle, although it was not uncommon to see someone slapped out of their seat in high school!

In junior high, I remember going to my first high school county tourney as

an 8th grader. We stopped at the old Greek's Coney Island, and coneys were 5 cents each. The junior high tourney was a one day affair at New Ross, and the winner had to play a minimum of three games in one day. It was also during these junior high years that I saw a senior boy physically threaten one of our men teachers. That didn't occur very often, and it made quite an impression on me.

In junior high and high school, I was impressed with several teachers... Alice McClaskey, Alex Cox, Ramona Ainsworth, and Lester Reed...to name a few. I admired my coaches, Loren Joseph and Bill Goff, and it seemed that at that time all of my teachers and coaches were sincere and had the ability to inspire you to do your best. The early elementary teachers had a "mothering instinct" with their students. There

were many things that all of the teachers knew and could do that were not connected to teaching, but more about life in general. And the men were willing to pursue hard physical labor during the summer months to earn extra money.

In high school we studied, and we also had our time to work and do what we pleased after school hours. Students now are burdened with so many extracurricular activities that they really don't have time to "stop and smell the roses." Our school laws today have destroyed discipline, and the students, as a whole, are weaker in the "three R's." Too much time is devoted to things that have very little to do with making a student stronger.

I have many pleasant memories of my school days, but perhaps the two that stand out in my mind the most occurred during

my senior year...listening to President Roosevelt declare war on Japan on December 8, 1941, while everyone was gathered around a radio in the study hall...and graduating on April 22, 1942, on my 18th birthday, and as valedictorian of my class.

(Dad served in the U.S. Army in WWII, and he saw heavy fighting in Europe under Gen. George Patton. When he returned from the war, he farmed, sold seed corn, drove a school bus, and worked at his old school until his retirement. He was the father of five children, and passed away at the age of 66 in 1991. Thanks, Dad, for writing down your school memories!)

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ry, he examines the priceless relic. He estimates its weight, and removes sand from a pouch that he ultimately uses to replace the golden idol on its rigged pedestal. Then he grabs the treasure, outruns a giant marble, climbs out of a bottomless pit and slides under a falling slab door to make his escape.

This is how I feel when I go to the bank machine.

I miss the old days. When we needed extra cash to run on, we simply stopped by the bank on our way home. We'd pull a check from our checkbooks, write it payable to ourselves, then endorse the back before slipping it to Ethyl Hostetter under the opening of the teller's cage or through the drawer in the drive-up

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window.

While Ethyl was processing our transaction, she would always ask us how our folks were doing, and generally brought us up-to-date on what was happening around town, information we might have missed had we failed to stop by the beauty shop.

In a matter of a few seconds, Ethyl would hand us our cash. The transaction wasn't fully complete, however, until Ethyl presented us with a green, orange or yellow sucker, or in my case, two giant doggie biscuits.

Ethyl retired in 1989, and kids and dogs in my town have been hungry ever since.

Granted, the old system had its limitations. Ethyl

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grew weary of the times that I would call her up at 2 o'clock in the morning, asking her for money to get something to eat after a ballgame. And I remember quite clearly how the normally mirthful Ethyl grumbled loudly when I asked her to run \$200 to Terre Haute when my car broke down.

Still, I don't think ATMs are perfect either.

Years ago, I opened a new checking account at Old Mother Fletcher's Bank, and with it came privilege of one of the early bank machines. After several weeks, I noticed that I could never reconcile my daily account balance with what the bank claimed was in there. What made

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it really odd was that each day, the balance appeared to be in favor of the bank by \$1.50.

After weeks of complaining, and a lengthy investigation, the bank determined that a software glitch was failing to clean out a file buffer in the computer at the end of each day. Instead it was cleaning me out.

Another time, an ATM impounded my bank card. I slipped the plastic rectangle into the slot as usual, and suddenly the video monitor began flashing alarmingly. "This is a fraudulently issued card," the screen read. "This card will not be returned to you. Please contact bank security for further instructions.

I might have been OK with that. After all, they are trying to protect our money. My issue is that, while this was happening, that annoying beeping that accompanies most bank machine was droning on the entire time. The incessant "beepbeep-beep" filled the night air, to the point that I didn't know if I was being arrested or about to be backed over by a bulldozer.

The other day, I needed cash, and I pulled up to the ATM under the canopy at my local bank branch. I slipped in my card, and entered my password. Nothing happened. I cancelled the transaction; I tried it once again.

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I went through the routine another six times, each time failing to get the machine to accept my password. Luckily, the bank was open, and I parked my car to go inside.

Barb, graciously joined me outside by the bank machine to give it a try. She became nearly as frustrated as I had been, trying the card over and over. Finally, she reached for her cell phone.

"Calling your IT Department?" I asked. Barb raised a single index finger, then spoke into the phone. "Is that you, Ethyl?"

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