⇒ TODAY'S VERSE

Galatians 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

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The Indiana Department of Transportation announc-■ es N. Jackson Street will temporarily close between W. Elizabeth St. and Shadowlawn Avenue for railroad work, near Greencastle. Crews will be repaving and replacing ties starting on or after Monday. The closure will last until the end of August, weather permitting. This project was previously rescheduled. The official detour follows U.S. 231 to S.R 240 to S.R. 75 to U.S. 36. and back to U.S. 231.

According to the good folks at FamilyDestinationGuide. com, Hoosier families on average spend \$238 on airport food and drinks because of flight delays. This equals about a quarter of their ticket costs. And that figure ranks Hoosiers the 17th most expensive state in the country. Apparently the surge in flight delays this summer has created chaos in airports around America, with the delay domino effect leaving travelers spending more time (and money) inside airports while they await their unpredictable departure. Airports are infamously renowned for their massively marked-up food and drink charges. In fact, an outrageously-priced \$28 beer from a vendor at LaGuardia Airport recently made headlines because of its alarming cost.

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Local 4-Her Wins Indiana State Fair Honors



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Congratulations to Lennon Woods who received Champion at the Indiana State Fair in the Junior Public Speaking Contest. This is part of our Communications project offered. Lennon is the daughter of Maggie and Michael Woods and a 5-year member of the Clark Hustling Hoosiers 4-H Club. She was given top honors in the Junior division of Public Speaking with her speech about Proposition 12 in California, a law concerning animal confinement. Congratulations Lennon!

Himes Saga #2 – David



KAREN ZACH **Around The County**

Although Daniel Himes lived to be a fairly good age into his early 80s and his wife was 70, on a whole, the Himes family are not long livers like the Dunbars and Fruits folks in the other Sagas you've hopefully

Today's son of Daniel, David, fits that young age, just 45 years old at his death. Born 23 Feb 1820 (I suspicion 1826) in Botetourt County, Virginia, he died on October 6th in 1865, having lost his dear wife (Mary Jane Brown whom he married in Highland, Ohio 9 Oct 1845) on Jan 16th, 1862, just 39 years old. Briefly, these two and their oldest son were in Marion County, Iowa where David worked his carpentry prowess,

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but they returned fairly quickly to Montgomery County. They are buried at the old Harshbarger Cemetery, sadly with no stones. How terrible for their children to have lost them both at such a young age. One of their daughter's obituaries noted, "Her parents died many vears ago." That was sure right!

Jacob Harshbarger was David's administrator and not long after his death had a notice that on the 18th of November ('65) at David's home near Whitesville, his real estate (Sec 35 Twp 18 N Rg 4 bounded by the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago RR, his saw mill and fixtures), his personal property consisting of an ox, a two-horse wagon, a buggy and harness, some hogs, corn, and household and kitchen furniture plus half of a log wagon and log chains would be sold. David was a master carpenter so assuming he used the wagon and chains to get his wood to cure and I'll bet the furniture being sold was beautifully hand made, as well.

Daniel H. was the oldest of the children of David and Mary Himes, next Sarah E, followed by Joseph B, Susan L. and

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The Daily Almanac

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The Crawfordsville District Public Library invites our patrons to support the arts by being knowledgeable art ad cates during American Artist Appreciation Month. Artists of the Americas have become the dominant supporters of artistic freedom and

have the ability to bring attention to important topics. Conventionally, an art-based education has a never-ending supply of European superstars,



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and its most celebrated artworks rely on their historical traditions and societal expectations. American artists have no obligation to any one group and have the freedom to reflect on personal experiences, hot topics, and imaginary ideas in any medium they choose. CDPL has an extensive collection of

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students and their families, par-

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value over the long term," said

Wabash President Scott Feller.

"We like to say that Wabash

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oped by Degree Choices and

reported in Forbes Online,

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college graduates.

Anyone seen any Build Back Better blue hats or yard signs? Wonder what that means?



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Grandma's advice not to put anything smaller than your elbow in your ear was right - that includes

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TODAY'S QUOTE

"Men always forget that human happiness is a disposition of mind and not a condition of circumstances." John Locke

TODAY'S JOKE The past, the present and the

future all walk into a bar. Things were a little tense.





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OBITUARIES

David D. Hole

June 13, 1977 - Aug. 15, 2022

David Dewayne Hole of Crawfordsville passed away suddenly at home Monday, Aug. 15. He was

Born June 13, 1977 in Crawfordsville, he was the son of Vicky Lynn Hole Chamness and Larry Turner.

He attended Crawfordsville schools and graduated from High School in Ennis, Texas.

He was a machinist that worked a CNC machine. He most recently worked at Dicaperl Minerals. He also worked as a welder and forklift driver. He liked fishing and anything related to fish, including aquariums. He was into stereo systems, setting up speakers and playing loud music.

Survivors include his mom, Vicky Chamness of Crawfordsville; son, Dakota Wayne Hole of Texas; brother, D.J. Chamness of Ennis, Texas; several cousins, aunts and uncles.

Visitation is scheduled from noon - 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19 at Burkhart Funeral Home, 201 West Wabash. Services will begin at 1 p.m., after which he will be laid to rest at Oak Hill Cemetery South in Crawfordsville.

Online condolences may be made at www.BurkhartFH.com.

Patricia Ilene Busenbark

March 6, 1931 - Aug. 15, 2022

Patricia Ilene Busenbark passed away on Monday, Aug. 15, 2022 at Francisican Health Center in Lafay-

She was born on March 6, 1931 in Putnam County to Cecil and Naomi (Newell) Dove.

She was a graduate of New Market High School in May 1949. She married Meredith E. Busenbark

on June 12, 1949 at the First Baptist New Market Church by Rev. Creed Hampton. She graduated from the Indianapolis School of Beauty Culture in 1963 and owned and operated a cosmetology shop in her home

She was a member of New Market First Baptist Church, where she held many positions serving the Lord. She and Meredith were members in State Active Baptist Campers Club and traveled to many different states during mission projects.

Survivors include her sons, Robert Busenbark (Terrace) and Randy Busenbark; six grandchildren, Tisha McKinney (Aaron), Mindy Johnson (Clayton), Patrick Busenbark (Jennifer), Kelli Wiley (Kevin), Derick Busenbark (Jennifer) and Kyle Busenbark (Candice); 15 great grandchildren; her brother, Leslie Dove; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Meredith; sisters, Glenda Kay Debusk and Thena Beasley; daughter-in-law, Kathy Busenbark; and a special cousin, Rita Lieske.

Visitation is scheduled on Monday, Aug. 22, 2022 at New Market Baptist Church, 106 1st Street in New Market from 11 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 1 p.m., with Pastor Todd Randles officiating. Burial will follow at Indian Creek Hill Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to New Market Baptist Church Memorial Fund, PO Box 87, New Market, IN 47965. Share memories and condolences at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

Leon David Hocquard, Sr.

July 1, 1952 - Aug 15, 2022

Leon David Hocquard, Sr. of Crawfordsville passed away Monday night at Franciscan Health of Lafayette. He was 70.

Born July 1, 1952 in Lansing, Mich., he was the son of Raymond E. Hocquard and Marvel M. Courtright Hocquard.

He served his country in the U. S. Marines. He later worked as a commercial shrimper. He married Janet Ann Rowan and they were together 48 years until she preceded him in death on Aug. 7, 2021. He was a strong, selfless devoted patriarch to the family; a devoted father, grandfather, uncle, brother and friend.

Survivors include three daughters, Robin Cunningham, Robbie (Paul) Misner and Marvel Hocquard; two sons, Leon Hocquard, Jr. and Sonny Hocquard; two granddaughters that he raised, Winter (Kyle) Shahan and Autumn Hocquard; granddaughter, Katelyn Beverlin; two great-granddaughters, Novalee Shahan and Janet Ann Hocquard; niece, Judi Rowan (Roland) Cruickshank; and nephew that he raised,

He was preceded in death by his wife, Janet Hocquard; parents; three brothers; one sister; and great-grandson, Leon David Hocquard III.

In keeping with his wishes there will not be a public visitation or funeral. A graveside service will be held Friday, August 19th at 11 a.m. at Odd Fellows Cemetery in Darlington with military rites by the American Legion Post 72 honor guard. Arrangements were entrusted to Burkhart Funeral Home.

Janice Miller

Nov. 5, 1931 - Aug. 15, 2022

Janice Miller (Mom, Nanny, Sis, Aunt Janice), originally of Spencer County Indiana, went home to Jesus with family by her side on Monday, Aug. 15, 2022. She is reunited with her husband of 73 years who preceded her earlier this year.

She lived 91 years full of strength and love. Standing by her husband's side, she supported his ministry in

the United Methodist churches for over 60 years. Throughout that time, they provided a home and love to over 50 foster children. A talented homemaker, seamstress, farmer, and avid gardener (with a green thumb that could grow anything), She loved to cook and had catering and cake decorating skills that were the envy of most of her family. She enjoyed feeding and caring for any birds that were nearby, as well as helping to raise and care for many animals-as long as they stayed clear of her garden. She was a natural caretaker and looked after many friends and loved ones in their time of need. In the last years, spending time with her great granddaughters brought her laughter and joy.

Survivors include her son, Joe L Miller; daughter, Carla (John) Schetzsle; granddaughters, Kali Schetzsle (David Rigdon) and Kristi Schetzsle (Bill Stull); great granddaughters, Aailyah Keys and Brielle Stull; sister, Dianna Enlow; nieces, Sandra (John) Roberts, Mary Jo (Charlie) Patterson and

Roberta "Kay" Ferguson

Oct. 21, 1950 - Aug. 14, 2022

Roberta "Kay" Ferguson, 71 of Waynetown passed away Sunday at Franciscan Health Crawfordsville.

She was born Oct. 21, 1950 in Missouri to Robert and Lillian Stan-

Survivors include her son, Tony (MaryAnn) Ferguson; grandson, Mason Ferguson; companion, Roy Gossett and his daughter, Megan (David) Robinson and granddaughter, Emily Keeling. She is also survived by her siblings Margaret Kidwell, Robert "Bobby" Lewis and Mandy Bruenger; brother-inlaw, Mitch (Sharon) Ferguson; sister-in-law, Virginia (Steve) Wilson; as well as several nieces and neph-

She was preceded in death by her son, Troy Ferguson; brothers, Stanley Lewis and Randy Lewis; and sister, Linda Pass.

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Franciscan Health in Lafayette. She was born on May 1, 1947 in Oakland City, Ind. to Burnell and

Louise (McClelland) Wilhite. She married Gene Goodnight on

Sept. 2, 1967 in Crawfordsville. She was a graduate of Crawfords-

ville High School, Class of 1967. She worked at the Ben Hur Drive in Theater for 20 years. She was a member R.E.A.C.T and a longtime member of Bethel AME Church in Crawfordsville. She loved doing puzzle books, especially Sudoku and

Survivors include her children, Robert Goodnight (Amy), Michelle Browning and Stephen Goodnight (Stephanie); six grandchildren, Jessica Blatz, Jacob Goodnight, Cody Goodnight (Bri), Kristina Goodnight, Brianna Wilkie (Jeremy) and Mary Browning; six great grandchildren, Emily, Raelyn, Kaiden, Owen, Hailie and Raiden; and siblings, Tony Wilhite (Pam) and Tina Cotten.

She was predeceased by her parents; husband, Gene; infant brother, Paul; brother, Dwight Wilhite; and several aunts, sisters-in-law and brother-in-law.

Visitation is scheduled on Monday, Aug. 22, 2022 at Sanders-Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S Washington Street in Crawfordsville from 12 noon until the time of the service at 2 p.m. Burial will follow at Indian Creek Hill Cemetery. Memorial donations may be sent to Bethel AME Church, 213 North St. W, Crawfordsville, IN 47933.

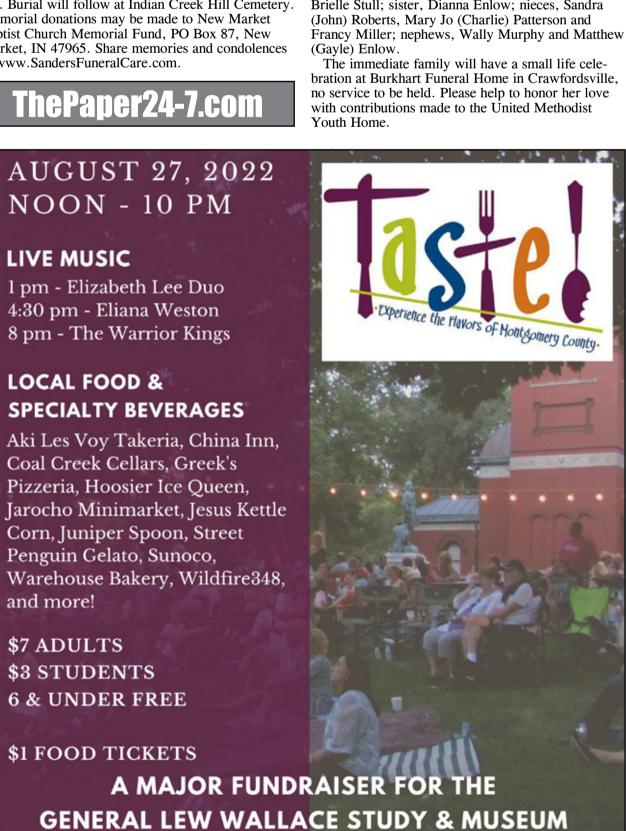
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Advocates Push Indiana Legislature To Counter Rising Medical Debt

By Whitney Downard

Roughly one in six Hoosiers have medical debt in collections higher than the national average — and it jumps to one in four residents for Hoosiers of color.

In all, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau estimates that Hoosiers have \$2.2 billion in outstanding debt. This means Indiana has the eleventh highest share of its population with medical debt in collections across the United States, the highest among its neighbors.

The median amount owed? Just \$748.

For several community organizations, those numbers are worrisome.

Hoosiers for Responsible Lending, a coalition of the Indiana Community Action Poverty Institute, Grassroots Maternal and Child Health Initiative and Prosperity Indiana, released the figures in a report analyzing the state's medical debt and its overall impact on Hoosiers.

"After seven miscarriages, I finally was able to have a child of my own, but it came at a huge cost because of the time she spent in the NICU. Medical bills created so much stress and anguish. They caused me to go through bankruptcy, and eventually I lost my home." said Deborah Fisher, with Grassroots Maternal and Child Health Initiative, in a release. "I

believe we can all work toward solutions so that my daughter, grandchildren, and other families won't have to face the same challenges."

Stakeholders compiled the report with the assistance of Americans for Financial Reform, a nonprofit group formed in the wake of the 2008 financial crisis.

The consequences of debt

Having debt in collections creates barriers and families with children under 18 are more likely to have medical debt as well as Black and Hispanic households that may already face hurdles when it comes to credit or housing.

The report notes that people with medical debt have poorer mental health and physical health outcomes, such as depression, anxiety and high blood pressure. Many might delay or skip medical care due to their debt, exacerbating their health conditions.

"Medical debt that goes into collections can exacerbate financial challenges and stress; overdue medical debt that is reported to credit bureaus damages credit scores and makes it more difficult to get loans, insurance, rentals and jobs," the report said.

Because of the country's decision not to provide universal health insurance coverage, the United States stands out among its peers for the amount of



accrued medical debt and

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the negative social impact. States that expanded Medicaid fared better than their peers, with non-expansion states having the highest concentration of medical debt. But underinsured individuals, an estimated one in five adults, had inadequate coverage with high deductibles and co-pays, still risk high

medical bills. "The burden of medical debt is a pervasive challenge for too many Hoosiers," said Andy Nielsen, with the Indiana Community Action Poverty Institute. "This is unacceptable... Healthcare is a right, and individuals, families, and children should not have to choose between seeking medical care or dealing with crushing debt.'

Analyzing the burden of debt in Hoosier communities

The Indiana Community Action Association issued a survey between 2020 and 2021 to 5,822 Hoosiers who shared information about their debts. Their clients, generally speaking, are at or below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level (though the CARES Act increased that threshold to 200% temporarily).

Nearly half of those respondents, 47.6%, reported outstanding medical debt. Most, or 40%, re-

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ported their medical debt balances to be between \$1,000 and \$10,000 but 17.4% reported having more than that. The Indiana Community

Action Poverty Institute noted that Indiana's cutoff for Medicaid eligibility is 133% of the Federal Poverty Level (\$2,313 monthly for a family of four in 2022), meaning that nearly all of the people surveyed should have been eligible for coverage.

"There is clearly work to be done to ensure that all those who are eligible for Medicaid are enrolled and covered," the report said.

Look up medical debt in Indiana counties in this interactive map from the Urban Institute: https:// apps.urban.org/features/ debt-interactive-map/?type=medical&variable=medcoll

Nearly one-third of those Hoosiers surveyed, 30.6%, said they had medical debt in collections. According to the Urban Institute with the U.S. Census Bureau, roughly 16% of all Hoosiers have medical debt in collections, or 25.3%

for Hoosiers of color. In Allen County, the disparity was even bigger, with 29.7% of Hoosiers of color reporting medical debt in collections compared to just 11.9% of white Hoosiers. On average, each person with medical debt in collection in Allen County owed \$872.

Action on the state level In December 2021, House Speaker Todd Huston and Senate Pro Tem Rodric Bray sent letters to health insurance companies and healthcare systems urging them to reduce Indiana's disproportionately high healthcare costs.

Several responded, including the Indiana Hospital Association, promising action to lower the overall cost of care but resisting "heavy-handed government intervention."

In an April response to those letters, Huston and Bray said they wanted to continue the conversation.

"Our overarching goal is to bring down the cost of health care and deliver real savings for everyday Hoosiers and business owners," Huston said. "Hoosiers are rightfully frustrated about rising costs and simply can't afford inaction on reducing healthcare expenses."

The report from Hoosiers for Responsible Lending outlined several recommendations for reducing debt burdens, including stronger consumer protections, expanding Medicaid enrollment and requiring Indiana hospitals to adopt Financial Assistance Policies.

The report urges lawmakers to draft eligibility standards for financial assistance require all hospitals to provide some financial assistance. According to the National Consumer Law Center, Indiana is one of a few states not to already require those provisions.

"The findings from this report indicate that, among all Midwest states, Indiana has the highest share of its population with a medical debt in collections," said Jessica Love, the executive director of Prosperity Indiana. "This should be sobering news for any policymaker concerned with longterm economic stability. Indiana's decision-makers should act quickly to use these findings and implement recommendations to increase consumer protections for all Hoosiers."

The report acknowledges that the \$2.2 billion in delinquent medical debt already held by Hoosiers poses an additional challenge, since private collection companies own that debt. Research on reducing the load is limited but offers potential avenues for further research.

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Indiana Sen. Mike Braun Pushes For More **Spending On Agriculture Research, Development**

By Casey Smith

Indiana Sen. Mike Braun said increasing government spending on agriculture research should be a top priority for the federal government as lawmakers in Congress craft their ongoing response to food security issues.

The Republican senator met with agricultural industry leaders, including from Bayer and Purdue University, during a panel talk on Tuesday at Tom Farms in Leesburg, a rural farm community just north of Warsaw.

The farm — one of the largest in Indiana — is owned by mega-farmer and former U.S. Ambassador Kip Tom, who moderated the discus-

Addressing food shortages

Panelists emphasized that the world's food system is under increasing pressure due to supply chain issues affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, severe weather events, and high fertilizer costs.

Rising input costs for farmers translates to higher prices for consumers at grocery stores and creates additional challenges for mitigating record levels of global

Tom said those issues have increased the need for the U.S. to invest in agricultural research and development.

"We've relied heavily on the private sector in the past, but we need to get the government involved in some of these activities," said Tom, who ran an unsuc-

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cessful GOP bid for the U.S. House in 2016 and later served on a Trump agricultural advisory committee. "We can help prevent another further food crisis."

He noted that the country's public investment in agricultural research has declined since 2003, putting U.S. trade and competitiveness at risk. Agriculture is particularly important to Indiana, where the sector contributes \$31.2 billion to the state's economy.

When asked about the upcoming 2023 Farm Bill, Braun said lawmakers haven't talked enough about food security issues but maintained that would be part of his focus as discussions within the Senate Agricultural Committee continue.

He said the bill will originate in the House and focus primarily on nutrition, conservation and "securing the food supply."

"When it comes to the Farm Bill, I don't expect any drama," Braun said, adding that he wished lawmakers in the Senate would have started the bill's crafting sooner. "(The emphasis is) putting that long-term research and development into things that are going to increasingly allow us

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ture or manufacturing, "has got to be part of our GDP.

The senator praised companies like Bayer for investing in agricultural advancement "the old-fashioned way - not borrowing." Jackie Applegate, President of Bayer Crop Science North America, said Tuesday that the company invested \$2 billion in agricultural research and development in 2021.

"Because when you're consuming, you're living off the merits of the past. We need to start spending less on things we consume, and spend double, triple, quadruple on investment through the federal government," Braun said. "Sadly, that's not the focus. If we don't do it, you're going to have other major players across the world who do do it."

Braun spares specifics on potential Walorski replacement

Last week, Braun and his colleague from Indiana, Sen. Todd Young, joined other Republicans in voting against the Inflation Reduction Act. President Joe Biden signed the sweeping \$750 billion bill — which also addresses health care and climate change — into law at the White House on Tuesday.

U.S. Representative Jackie Walorski, R-2nd, was originally scheduled to speak at the event. An

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empty chair adorned with the Indiana flag and other mementos memorialized the congresswoman at the Tuesday talk following her unexpected death earlier this month. A handful of Republicans in the 2nd Congressional District have filed to run for the seat, vying to fill the vacancy during a caucus later this week.

"She's going to be hard to replace," Braun told the Indiana Capital Chronicle. "I think from the names I've heard, we're going to get a good replacement."

Panelists also fielded questions about land depletion from some Hoosier farmers who attended the talk. Concerns were raised that solar farms and population spread are eating into the state's farmland.

Karen Plaut, Dean of the Purdue University College of Agriculture, pointed to ongoing research at the land-grant university to put solar panels in the air, which still lets farmers grow crops underneath.

"Those are some of the types of solutions that research and development can bring for the future,' Plaut said.

Braun agreed, saying that increasing funding for "common sense" innovations will help bridge relationships between farmers, academic institutions and private businesses.

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Board of Works and Public **Safety Meeting**

The City of Crawfordsville, Ind.

Aug. 17, 2022 at 10

City Building 300 E Pike St Crawfordsville

I. Approval of the minutes from August 10,

II. Approval of the claims for the week of August 15, 2022

III. Old Business IV. New Business

A. Application for a loan from the Crawfordsville Sidewalk Maintenance & Improvement Non-reverting Fund

B. Barry Lewis, Code Enforcement, with work order requests

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owned by Earnest Inc · 1100 W. Market Street, owned by Mark

· 1024 E. Chestnut Street, owned by Janis Hart

V. Miscellaneous

VI. Department Heads VII. Adjournment

Meeting Notes

North Montgomery Community **School Corporation**

Monday, Aug. 22, 2022 at 6 p.m. Regular School Board

Meeting August 480 W 580 N Crawfordsville, Ind.

1. Work Session - 5:15

1.1 Budget 2022-2023 Discussion

2. Hearing Before Commencement of Collective Bargaining

2.1 Public testimony relating to teacher compensation and collective bargaining

3. Call to Order 3.1 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

(please stand)

4. Public Comment

4.1 Public Participation 5. Consent Agenda 5.1 Minutes

5.2 Monthly Claims

5.3 Personnel, Extra-Curricular, Field Trips, Facilities Usage, Contributions, Gifts, Superintendent Stipends

5.4 Other

5.5 Consent Vote 6. Board Development

 Collective Bargaining 7. Action Items

7.1 Approve Budge Advertisement for all

7.2 Approve Addition to Classified Staff Salary Schedule

8. Other

8.1 Update on Solar Panel Project 9. Adjournment

9.1 Adjourn



Membership In National **FFA Organization Reaches All-Time High**

As the importance of agriculture continues to be a focus throughout the world, students around the country understand the vital role it plays in everyday life. No more is this more evident than in the growth of membership in the National

FFA Organization. Yesterday, the National FFA Organization announced a record-high student membership number of 850,823, an increase of 15% from last year. In addition, chapter numbers increased by 178, resulting in 8,995 chapters in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Interest in FFA and agricultural education continues to grow as membership and the number of chapters increase. The top five student membership states are Texas, California, Georgia, North Carolina and Tennessee. This year, the organization has more than 132,700

Latino members, more than 47,000 Black members and more than 13,000 American Indian and Alaska Native members. Forty-three percent of the membership is female, and 50% is male, with .5% reporting as nonbinary, 4.7% undisclosed, and 1.2% unreported.

"Our FFA members are the future generation of leaders who make a difference in their communities as well as agriculture and other industries," said National FFA CEO Scott Stump. "As we continue to grow, we see the enthusiasm for agricultural education and FFA reflected in our membership."

The National FFA Organization is a schoolbased national youth leadership development organization of more than 850,000 student members as part of 8,995 local FFA chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.



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Gov. Holcomb, Sec. Chambers Recognize **Legacy Hoosier Businesses for Economic Growth, Community Commitment**

Governor Eric J. Holcomb and Indiana Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers today awarded 47 Indiana companies and organizations with the Governor's Century or Half-Century Business Award in recognition of each company's longevity and service to its employees, community and the state.

"Recognizing Hoosier businesses and their accomplishments for not only for decades of resilience and hard work but for the lasting impact on Indiana's economy is a true honor," said Gov. Holcomb. "Through strong drive and dedication, these businesses have set the tone of Indiana's past, present and future economy and provide confidence in knowing for the next 100 years, Indiana will be on a journey to success.'

The Governor's Century and Half-Century Business Awards honor Hoosier businesses that have remained in operation for a minimum of 100 or 50 consecutive years and have demonstrated a commitment to community service. More than 1,206 Indiana companies have been recognized during the award's 31year history.

"The 47 companies recognized today are perfect examples of the impact of entrepreneurs," said Sec. Chambers. "All of these companies started here, in Indiana, and have powered both the state's economic growth and the vibrancy of their respective communities for decades. I'm grateful for the dedication of these business that are foundational to Indiana - and to Indiana's future success - and I am more committed than ever to enabling young entrepreneurs who aspire to build impactful companies like these."

2022 Century Award honorees

A. Hattersley & Sons (Plumbing & HVAC) 166 years: Allen Co

Anchor Industries (Frame and fabric production)

130 years; Vanderburgh County

Ayers Realtors Inc.

(Real estate)

100 years; Lake County Crossroads Bank (Financial services)

102 years; Wabash County Cutler Funeral Home

and Cremation Center (Funeral services) 126 years; LaPorte

County First Bank of Berne (Financial services) 131 years; Wells

County Gatewood Vegetable Farms & Greenhouse (Farm market & garden

100 years; Hamilton County

Geetingsville Telephone Co. Inc. (Telecommunications)

121 years; Clinton County

Greensburg/Decatur County Chamber of Commerce Inc. (Non-profit)

116 years; Decatur County Hunt & Son Funeral

Home Inc (Funeral services) 122 years; Montgomery

County Indiana Bankers Association (Financial services) 125 years; Marion

Mayfield Insurance Inc. (Insurance)

101 years; Morgan County

McQuiston Insurance Agency Inc. (Insurance) 102 years; Wayne

County Mid-West Metal Products and Midwest Homes

for Pets (Metal Fabrica-101 years; Delaware

County Niezgodski Plumbing Inc. (Plumbing & HVAC)

100 years; St. Joseph County Sauder Feeds Inc.

(Wholesale) 102 years; Allen County

South Bend Medical Foundation Inc. (Health) 110 years; St. Joseph County

Sycamore Gas Company (Natural gas service) 154 years; Dearborn County

The Friendship State Bank (Financial services) 110 years; Ripley

County 2022 Half-Century Award honorees:

Ad-Vance Magnetics Inc. (Magnetic Shielding) 51 years; Fulton County Aegis Sales & Engineering Inc. (Precision

CNC machining) 60 years; Allen County Andy's Car Wash (Au-

tomotive cleaning service) 51 years; Whitley County B and H Repair (Agri-

cultural equipment repair) 56 years; Porter County **Batesville Products** (Custom molding) 76 years; Dearborn

County Big and Tall Outlet (Retail)

51 years; Elkhart

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the youngest Laura. Gpa' Dan took these children into his home having been appointed their legal guardian a couple of months after David's death. Daniel Henry Himes was one amazing man. At age 18, he and three friends left our fair county and headed west to make a good living. Stopping at Douglas County, Kansas, he met and married his beloved wife, Kittie Colyar in 1869. These two parented eleven children, four passing in youth and one daughter, Daisy dying in Memphis, Tennessee at age 21. Perhaps she had her father's wanderlust?

Daniel and family would move about every five years to another place to try their luck there. During this time, he studied to become a doctor and practiced medicine in several places in Arkansas (Eureka and Hot Springs two of those). He was well loved as a doctor but perhaps it was those Indiana farming roots that got him as he applied for a land patent (via the Homestead Act) in the summer of 1907 in Lawton, Oklahoma, gave up medicine and went back to nurturing the land. The six children who grew to adulthood were Charles married Isabelle Frick, became a minister and had one daughter; Laura died in 1946 in Oklahoma and had one son Drexel Wall; Jonathan Colyer who was called Carl born in 1885 Douglas Co KS died 1967 Oklahoma City - he and wife Flossie had at least one daughter, Carlene (love the name); Ida May born 1887 Douglas Co KS died 1954 in Oklahoma City married #1 Hubbard Bailey and were parents

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Henry moved to Hollywood, California married there but don't believe had children. Clarence Leroy was born in Eureka Springs, Arkansas 3 Oct 1893 and I assume died during the flu epidemic on 8 Oct 1918 - don't believe he was married or had children but he was in the 139th Field Artillery, passing away in Camp Upton NY.

Sarah Ellen born 8 March 1852 was the second child of David Himes and at age 26 was a servant in James and Elizabeth Taylor's household in the Scott Township, 1880 census. At age 41 she married William Mallett in October of 1893 and they lived in Vermilion County, Illinois for over three decades where he farmed. She returned to Ladoga after his death and died there 13 May in 1924. She had no children.

Next was Joseph Benson Himes, (probably named for his uncle, Senaca Benson) born 2 July 1854 and passed away in Henry County, Indiana Jan 14, 1936. He married Susan Kaub and they were parents of five children: Austin Benson who was born when they went out to visit in Kansas. Austin ran a grocery in New Castle. Grace married Horace Burroughs who worked in furniture stores in the Indy area and they were parents of Fayette, Mary and Dorothy. Homer had a nifty job as an ice cream dealer. Zazell never married, did stenography work and died at age 43 of pneumonia. Paul Raleigh was a cabinet maker and passed away as probably the oldest Himes at least in this

Susan L. Himes is my failure. Know she was one

series so far (94).

of their children as she is three years old in the 1860 census with them. She is one of the ones her grandfather had custody of after David passed away. Don't have her past that in 1866. Anyone knows, send her my way!

Laura A. Himes was

born 20 May 1858 and passed away in Noblesville 17 Oct 1914 (at her home, 296 S. 11th St) where she had not lived too long with her husband, Reese Nicholson (born in MoCo son of David and Elizabeth Fleenor). They had three children, Bellzora; Gerald and Edna and lost two others. "Zora" was a dressmaker and a sales lady in dress work; David "Gerald" was a house painter (described as tall, medium built with blue eyes and black hair), moved to California where he passed away (never married). Their other daughter, Edna Amanda married Charles Merchant, an iron worker and they had two children, Keith and Hazel. Reese Nicholson lived with them for several years after the death of Laura. Keith had an interesting job in Oakhurst, California (Bendix Aviation seaplane equipment inspector).

Thus, you have the continuing Saga of the Himes family with David, son of Daniel, who didn't live long but had his family go forth and prosper, tallying several to spread the name and fame of the Himes!

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art-themed reading materials for every type of creative interest.

of Guy and Bonnie; David

Christine Mather guides you through some of the earliest American artworks. She showcases the artistic knowledge that has accumulated from the religious traditions of the Pueblo peoples who have inhabited the same lands for thousands of years. "Native America: Arts, Traditions, and Celebrations" (704.0397 Mat) is full of colorful imagery of art, design, and the creative people who have continued to use artistic methods developed by their ancestors. James Oles' "Art and Architecture in Mexico" (700.973 Ole) explores the history and the development of an independent Mexican artist identity. He discusses the way social and cultural changes have inspired a unique contemporary perspective born from a mix of local tribal traditions and 300 years of Spanish influence.

Innovation strives in hard times and great works have been produced by those living on the fringes of society. Susan Goldman Rubin shines a light on some of the most prolific outsiders. In the 'Art Against the Odds -From Slave Quilts to Prison Painters" (700.9 Rub) she discusses the artworks made by the incarcerated, orphans, captives, and others deemed as outsiders. These individuals created complex narratives with simple tools and recycled materials while battling the most unfortunate circumstances. Tim Lefens' "Flying Colors" (371.9 Lef) is a memoir by a dedicated teacher who believes that art has the power to change lives. He reveals his experiences working with a remarkable group of artists in New Jersey who overcame their physical limitations and surpassed the expectations set for them.

Creative Americans have been walking on the edge of what is trendy or acceptable in elite art societies by making art accessible to everyday

people. Learn about a group of tattooed women who empowered themselves by working in sideshows, carnivals, and small museums in Amelia Kleim Osterud's book, "The Tattooed Lady: A History" (391.65 Ost). The last of this fascinating group of women retired in the mid-1990s when the popularity of tattoos for women skyrocketed, yet the legacy does live on in the realm of music festivals, burlesque shows, and performance art.

You will find "The Art of Tinkering" (500 Wil) by Karen Wilkinson and Mike Petrich at the intersection where art meets science and technology. After visiting Vollis Simpson's wind-art farm in North Carolina, they discovered that their way of thinking about making art would never be the same. As the co-directors of the Exploratorium's Tinkering Studio, they created a fun and comprehensive book that encourages you to blur the lines between art and science and to be comfortable not knowing what will happen. They include lists of tools, directions for science-based processes, and possible ways to incorporate these ideas into your art, all accompanied by full-colored images.

Until recent times, many artworks produced by women have not been given fair attention even though their presence is well-documented. "Whispers to Shouts: Indiana Women Who Create Art" (704.042 Whi) was sponsored by the Indiana State Museum and Indiana Arts Commission. It is a publication that has detailed artists' bios and full-colored images of artworks produced by female artists from Indiana. It includes Associate Professor Karen Baldner who has guided students in the pursuit of artistic mastery at Herron School of Art and Design for over 20 years, and local fiber artist Martha Donovan Opdahl, who has been nationally exhibiting and curating group and solo shows inspired by

current hot topics. "Wom-

en in Art: 50 Fearless Creatives Who Inspired the World" (704.04 Ign) by Rachel Ignotofsky is packed with light-hearted illustrations and valuable information about leading artists such as Mary Cassatt, Georgia O'Keefe, Dorothea Lange, Frida Kahlo, Ray Eames, Faith Ringgold, and many more. This colorful book is divided into sections by historical timelines, tools of the trade, financial statistics, and the elements and principles of art and

design.

CDPL supports the local art and culture community in several ways beyond our reading materials and hands-on programs. We have a permanent collection of artworks by artists connected to the region that reaches back to the beginning of the library's creation. Several of the pieces can be seen adorning the walls of our building any day of the week. We house the special collection of the Art League of Montgomery County, as well as famous local art celebrities. Consider enjoying the current artists' exhibits in the Mary Bishop Memorial Gallery on the first floor. The gallery hosts 7-10 shows a year such as the annual Tri Kappa Student, Sugar Creek Quilters Guild, and the Art League of Montgomery County group exhibits, as well as local, regional, national, and international solo shows

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Wabash graduates receive in the short term and over the arc of their lives.

Using public data from the College Scorecard, the U.S. Department of Education's public data site and the Integrated Postsecondary Data System (IPEDS), Degree Choices ranked more than 2,000 undergraduate institutions based on two key outcomes – payback period and earningsplus. The rankings, report-

ed by Dr. Michael T. Nietzel, a former college president and senior contributor to Forbes Online, give students and families with consumer information regarding college choices and career options after graduation.

Here are the top 10 liberal arts colleges, ordered by their economic score, as determined by Degree Choices methodology. Claremont McKenna

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- Washington and Lee University, .94
- Davidson College, 1.15

- Virginia Military Institute, 1.16
- Pomona College,
- 1.18 • Colby College, 1.25
- Lafayette College,
- Wabash College, 1.45
- Wofford College, 1.50

Further, Wabash College was one of five schools on Degree Choices list singled out for "over-performing" on this economic-based ranking vs. other reputational or resource-based criteria, balancing both the economic benefits of attending college with the return on investment that includes landing a good

Degree Choices is a team of education researchers working together to provide valuable financial advice and guide prospective students to find schools and careers that best suit their needs.

job following graduation.

The analysts used the data to determine the payback period, which measures how long it takes students to recoup their

educational investment after attending a particular school. The figure is calculated by dividing out-of-pocket costs by the average salary boost received. Such a boost is determined by comparing average salaries of college attendees to peers with only a high school diploma. The number of years it takes students to recover the net costs of their education is determined by dividing net costs by the boost that college attendees earn vs. high school graduates.

Earningsplus calculates the salaries graduates earn after attending a specific college when compared to a weighted average of all of the students who attended colleges in that state. The difference in median earnings for graduates at a college after subtracting that state's weighted average earnings determines the earningsplus figure. An institution's economic score is determined by dividing payback by the percentage plus/minus of its earningsplus factor.

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