

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Bear is a 2 year old cattle dog mix. He loves kids and has done well with other dogs. For the rest of August, the Animal Welfare League is sponsoring a "Clear the Shelter Event" in which all adoptions are half-price. If you are so inclined, please check out good boys like Bear and others, or make a small donation. You'll be glad you did.

➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Asha Mandela of Clermont, FL and her 19 foot, 6.5 inch head of hair made it into the Guinness Book of World Records in 2009. In the ensuing 13 years her locks continued to grow and have now reached the 110 foot mark, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. It's a good thing she has a hairdresser for a husband because she says she is not going to get a haircut anytime soon. She calls her mane, Cobra, because as she told the folks at Guinness: "I don't like the term dreadlocks because I don't think there's anything [to] dread about my locks ... When I'm ready to go into my sleep chamber with my Cobra baby, I would have them tied up in a little sack and we cuddle and talk to each other."

2 Registration is open for Patoka Lake's Full Moon 5K, which will be on Saturday, Sept. 10 at 9 p.m. The race is 3.1 miles and will be run on roadways, a well-maintained gravel path, and a paved bike trail lit by moonlight and tiki torches. All proceeds from this event will go to support Patoka's educational ambassador birds of prey. Early registration is \$25, which includes a race T-shirt, and can be completed at fullmoon5k.itstourrace.com. For more information or to sponsor this event, contact race director Dana Reckelhoff at 812-685-2447 or by email at dreckelhoff@dnr.IN.gov. Patoka Lake (on IN.gov/patokalake) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513

3 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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Get A Taste For A Good Cause

It is one of the area's most anticipated annual festivals, but the Taste of Montgomery County also fulfills a very important role: the Taste is the largest fundraiser for the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum, located on the grounds in Crawfordsville where Lew Wallace penned his masterwork, Ben-Hur. The 15th annual Taste of Montgomery County will be held this Saturday, from 12 -10 p.m.

This year's Taste features three musical acts. The Elizabeth Lee Duo (1 p.m.) will perform chill covers from recent decades. Eliana Weston

(4:30 p.m.) brings Nashville country back home to Indiana. The Warrior Kings headline at 8 p.m. playing hard rock with a blues soul. Local food and beverage vendors serving specialties throughout the day include Aki Les Voy! Takeria, China Inn, Coal Creek Cellars Winery, Greek's Pizzeria, Hoosier Ice Queen, Jesus Kettle Corn, Juniper Spoon, Street Penguin Gelato, Sunoco, Warehouse Bakery, and Wildfire348.

New to the TASTE this year is Klooz Brewz! Klooz Brewz is an artisan brewery and public house located in Lebanon. Brew master Patrick Klooz is

a lifelong Lebanon resident & seasoned homebrewer, who wants to share his expert crafted beers and beverages. Visit <https://kloozbrewz.com/> to learn more about their offerings. Other first-time TASTE vendors include Four Seasons, bringing Triple Berry Crumble and Pulled Pork Grilled Cheese; Harry's Hideout with Lobster Rolls and Chicago Dogs; and Jarocho Minimarket, bringing their delicious Guacamole and Green Juice!

The site of the Taste, the General Lew Wallace Study

➔ See TASTE Page A6

Himes Saga #3 – Susanna



KAREN ZACH
Around The County



Susanna Himes, first daughter, third child of Daniel and Mary "Polly" Wrightsman Himes was born in Virginia (Botetourt County likely) in December (10th) of 1821 and passed away October 22nd in 1911 at Ladoga just shy of 90. Her death occurred after about two weeks of acute diarrhea as well as arteriosclerosis, the latter quite common in the family.

Not long before Susanna's family's move to the Ladoga area of Montgomery County, she married Seneca Benson on December 8th in 1842 at

Highland, Ohio. They were in Clark Township in 1850 where he farmed and owned \$5,000 worth of property (I noted that after he passed away at age 57 August 14, 1862, she did very well managing that household). Their children in 1850 were three (Mary, Mahala and Sophie) and before his death they added Seth, William, Martha and Rutha. After Seneca's death, the children all lived with her in the 1860 and 1870 census, daughter Rutha J.

➔ See KAREN Page A6

Sen. Phil Boots To Vice Chair

State Sen. Phil Boots (R-Crawfordsville) will serve as vice chair of the Interim Study Committee on Pension Management Oversight in preparation for the 2023 legislative session.



Sen. Phil Boots

"As I begin to wrap up responsibilities in the Indiana Senate, I'm happy to be working on pension issues one last time," Boots said. "In today's economy, it's more important than ever our state make prudent investments that sustain our pensions and enable Hoosiers to retire with peace of mind."

Legislators will meet over the summer and fall months to discuss topics approved by the bipartisan Legislative Council, which is comprised of 16 voting members – eight from the Senate and eight from the House of Representatives.

➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Happy 73rd birthday Gene Simmons of the rock band Kiss. Isn't it weird that rock icons from yesteryear are elderly citizens now?



➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Are you having trouble remembering things? Perhaps you're not getting enough sleep. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



➔ INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION

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➔ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

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➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"The only person you should strive to be better than, is the person you were yesterday."
Matty Mullins

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

To avoid arguments, eat chocolate chip cookies. First off, they taste good. Second, you can't hear anyone talk over the crunching.

➔ OBITUARIES

See page A2 for obituaries

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Today is...:

- Thoughtful Thursday
- Kiss and Make Up Day



What Happened On This Day:

- 1835 First installment of the Great Moon Hoax is published
- 2012 Voyager 1 becomes first spacecraft to enter interstellar space



Births On This Day:

- 1930 Sean Connery Scottish actor, producer
- 1958 Tim Burton American director, producer, screenwriter

Deaths On This Day:

- 1776 David Hume Scottish economist, historian, philosopher
- 2012 Neil Armstrong American pilot, engineer, astronaut, first person to walk on the moon

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60/82 MOSTLY SUNNY	60/83 MAINLY SUNNY	62/85 MOSTLY SUNNY	71/84 LATE DAY STORM CHANCE	64/82 SCATTERED STORMS	65/81 PARTLY CLOUDY	64/84 PARTLY CLOUDY
WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE

Meeting Notes

Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting

The City of Crawfordsville, Ind.
 Aug. 24, 2022 at 10 a.m.
 City Building 300 E
 Pike St Crawfordsville, IN
 47933

- I. Approval of the minutes from Aug. 17, 2022.
- II. Approval of the claims for the week of Aug. 22, 2022
- III. Old Business
- IV. New Business
- A. Diana Bell requesting to close Ridge Way in the

Northridge Subdivision on Sept. 11 from 4 - 8 p.m. for the annual block party cook out

B. Bethany Rauch with Whitesville Christian Church requesting to close Pike Street at Pike Place from 3 - 10 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29 for a Trunk or Treat Event and band performance

C. Sue Lucas with various requests in regards to the annual Oktoberfest at Pike Place

- V. Miscellaneous
- VI. Department Heads
- VII. Adjournment

OBITUARIES

David Ray Clouse

Oct. 19, 1952 - Aug. 21, 2022

David Ray Clouse, age 69, of Crawfordsville, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 21, 2022 at his home.

He was born in Crawfordsville on Oct. 19, 1952 to the late Raymond and Louise (Porter) Clouse.

He graduated from Fountain Central High School in 1970. He married Kama Webster and they later divorced. He married Rebecca Richardson on May 3, 2014 at Lake Holiday. He worked at RR Donnelley and owned his own cattle farm. He loved the outdoors, in his free time, he could be found camping, walking, or fishing. He enjoyed going to cattle shows and 4-H events. Recently he enjoyed going kayaking with his wife and playing with his beloved dog, Penny. More than anything, he loved spending time with his grandchildren, family and his friends.

Survivors include his wife, Rebecca; four children, Monika (Jason) Morales, Kyle Clouse, Miranda Richardson and Jakob Curtsinger; five grandchildren, Kaden, Annwyn, Kailyn, Roslyn and Adalena; and a brother, Rich (Mona) Clouse.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, Larry Clouse.

There will be a visitation at Sanders Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S. Washington Street in Crawfordsville on Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2022 from 12 p.m. until the time of funeral service at 2 p.m. Burial will follow at Wallace Lutheran Cemetery. Share memories and condolences online at www.sandersfuneralcare.com.



Eddie R. 'Ed' Holt

Oct. 14, 1953 - Aug. 19, 2022

Eddie R. 'Ed' Holt age 68, formerly of Attica and most recently residing in The Lane House, Crawfordsville, passed away, 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 19, 2022 in Franciscan Health Lafayette East Hospital, Lafayette.

He was born in Crawfordsville, Oct. 14, 1953 son the late Lowell and Betty Shubert Holt. He was formerly married to Cindi Hayman with who he had children.

He graduated from Fountain Central High School with the class of 1972. He employed over 20 years as a Sales Rep. of John Deere equipment for Wright Implement Co. He enjoyed selling equipment and created many friendships with the farmers he called on. He later worked with Bill Schmidt.

He was a sports fan, especially the Chicago Cubs. He spent much time in his life playing, coaching and watching sports. He was a long time member of the Attica Eagles Aerie and had attended the Sterling Christian Church. He loved to fish and enjoyed yearly fishing trips to Canada with friends. He enjoyed listening to music and 'road farming'.

Survivors include a son, Josh (Amber) Holt of Veedersburg; daughter, Melissa (fiancé David Bruner) Short of Attica; son, Kyle (Brandy) Holt of Irmo, SC; brother, Larry (Sandy) Holt of Kouts; ten grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Freddie and Steve Holt; and a sister, Pam.

Visitation is scheduled 4 - 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, 2022 at Family and Friends Funeral Home of Wingate, with funeral services following at 6 p.m., with Tim Lyons officiating. Memorial contributions may be directed to Attica Eagles. Visit us online at www.familyandfriendsfh.com to leave a condolence.



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Morris "Rick" W. Kirts
 1951 - Aug. 20, 2022

Morris "Rick" W. Kirts passed away on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022.

He was born in Lafayette in 1951 to William Morris and Clara Jane (Cronin) Kirts.

He was a graduate of Lafayette Jefferson High School. He served in the US Army as a member of the Military Police Corps. He was a member of the American Legion and was a son of the VFW. He enjoyed working on and talking about cars, spending time with his pets, and later in life embraced being a grandfather.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Judith (Perkins) Kirts; and his two sons.

He was predeceased by his parents and two sisters.

Cremation was chosen with a private gathering for family and friends. Memorial donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675-8516 or <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/donate>. Share memories and condolences at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

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Lt. Gov. Crouch, IDDC Present New I-465 Mural On Renovia Indianapolis Office

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Destination Development Corporation (IDDC)/ Visit Indiana, in partnership with Renovia, yesterday unveiled a new 'IN Indiana' mural along the company's office wing wall facing I-465 on Indianapolis' east side.

"We are grateful for Renovia's support of the 'IN Indiana' campaign and for allowing Justin to feature his artwork on their building," said Crouch. "Renovia has a history of giving back to the communities it serves, and this is a perfect example of that. Thousands of travelers will be able to enjoy this 'IN Indiana' mural daily,

and we thank Renovia for this opportunity."

Created by local artist Justin Olson of Olson Paint Studios, LLC, the mural features Visit Indiana's new 'IN Indiana' campaign, which was unveiled to the public in June. As a unique effort to tell the Hoosier state's authentic story, Visit Indiana developed an extensive customizable toolkit of resources available free of charge to everyone in the state who wants to use the new campaign.

"Since its debut, we've seen hundreds of destinations, businesses, cities and towns utilize the 'IN Indiana' campaign and make it their own," IDDC Secretary & CEO

Elaine Bedel said. "'IN Indiana' aims to instill Hoosier pride among residents and promote our state to a greater audience. Every time someone uses it helps accomplish that goal."

The following organizations also recently completed public art projects funded by IDDC:

- Develop Culver located at Lake Maxinkuckee within Culver Town Park at 819 E. Lake Shore Drive in Culver – Artist: Bridge Collective, LLC;
- Indiana Dunes Tourism located at the Indiana Dunes Visitors Center at 1215 N. SR 49 in Porter – Artist: Ryan "Arcy" Christenson of

RC Murals;

• Kendallville Main Street located at Atz Law Office at 202 S. Main St. in Kendallville – Artist: Chris Lesley;

• Munster Civic Foundation located at 5 Ridge Road in Munster – Artist: Lindsey Harris; and

• Santa Claus Museum & Village located at 69 SR 245 in Santa Claus – Artist: Elizabeth Wertman.

For more information about the 'IN Indiana' marketing campaign, visit <https://www.visitindiana.com/articles/post/indiana-destination-development-corporation-and-visit-indiana-launches-tourism-marketing-campaign/>.

Letters

Reader Takes LWV Writer To Task

Dear Editor,

I had to chuckle when reading the "unusual column" by LWV member Maria Reynolds-Weir. When asked by her European hosts if America is "OK," she says she "didn't know how to answer," then blindly and inexplicably assumed they were referring to Trump's "surprising" win in 2016 or his comments about the validity of the 2020 results.

Seriously? Did it ever occur to her that they wondered how the United States of America could possibly elect a clueless, dementia-addled old man as president? Or a former call girl as vice president? Or perhaps they were referring to Biden's dangerous and inane open border policy or the fact that he has taken the country from being energy independent and a net-net exporter of oil to

being energy dependent and begging foreigners to sell us high-priced oil? Perhaps her hosts were expressing concern about our exponential crime rate under Biden or his administration's total abandonment of the rule of law? Or the Jan. 6 kangaroo court farce? Or the economic dumpster fire that Biden's Marxist regime has created? Or Hunter's laptop, crack addiction and corrupt foreign business dealings that are being ignored by the FBI and DOJ?

Yes, Maria, there are literally dozens of things that may have led your European friends to believe America is in serious trouble and not a single one of them was caused by Donald Trump.

Ron Carmony
Warner Robins, GA
Former Crawfordsville resident

Special Hikes Offered In Stillwater-Northfork Wildlife Area

Monroe Lake will offer two special hikes through the primary focus of its wildlife management program, the Stillwater-Northfork area, on Sunday, Sept. 25. Both hikes are recommended for adults.

The first hike, at 9:30 a.m., winds through the Northfork fields, an area that includes open woodlands, ponds, riparian forest, and managed levees. See several seasonal marsh areas, learn about ongoing research projects, and check out small-scale hab-



itat projects. Registration for the Northfork Fields Hike is at bit.ly/northforkfields-2022. Space is limited to 15 people.

The second hike, at 1 p.m., travels along the

levees and boundaries of the largest seasonal wetland managed by Monroe Lake, Stillwater Marsh. Learn about the summer crop-planting program, how the marsh is filled and

drained, and other projects that support wildlife populations. This hike should take around one hour and 45 minutes. Registration is at bit.ly/stillwater-hike-2022. Space is limited to 20 people.

Registration for both hikes closes on Sept. 23, or when all spots are full. Questions should be directed to the Paynetown Activity Center at (812) 837-9967 or Jill Vance at jvance@dnr.IN.gov.

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In order from left to right: Dorothy Q Chapter Regent, Michele Borden, Fountain County Art Council President, Jim Hegg, and wife Barbara, Fountain County Historian, Carol Ann Freese Fountain County Art Council Chairman, Henry Schmitt, Special Project Coordinator, Andrea Campbell Ingram, Dorothy Q Chapter Past Regent, Susan Fisher

DAR Historic Preservation Grant Awarded

The Dorothy Q Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) is pleased to announce, the Historic Preservation Grant Awarded for the preservation/conservation of the Cade's Mill Covered Bridge located in Fountain County, Ind. The Dorothy Q Chapter sponsored the project offered through the NSDAR in Washington D.C. at the amount of \$10,000 – the only one of the maximum amount awarded in the State of Indiana.

Built in 1854, the Cade's Mill Covered Bridge is the oldest covered bridge still on its original site. Years of neglect and inclement weather have taken its toll. This bridge was instrumental in the de-

velopment of the western territory and was on the main road from Crawfordsville to the western part of Indiana. It was necessary for early settlers, pioneers and farmers to cross Coal Creek at this point. Fountain County has three covered bridges remaining – Cade's Mill, Rob Roy and Wallace Bridges.

The Fountain County Art Council Historic Preservation Commit-

tee is spearheading this project. It is projected to cost \$800,000. The committee has had several fundraisers and still seeking financial assistance. This grant will be used to further stabilize Cade's Mill Bridge by providing cabling. All funding or donations in helping to preserve this Historic Bridge are asked to be sent through; Western Indiana Community Foundation/Covered

Bridge Fund, P.O. Box 75, Covington, Indiana 47932.

The National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization. DAR is a lineage-based membership for women who had an ancestor (Revolutionary War) who helped contribute to securing the independence of the United States. DAR members are dedicated to promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism in communities across the nation. If interested in becoming a DAR member, please contact Dorothy Q Chapter Registrar, Erica Church at ericachurch21@gmail.com or Chapter Regent, Michele Borden at ml-borden@mymetronet.net



Indiana State Fair Celebrates Successful 165th Year

The 165th Indiana State Fair wrapped up Sunday following 18 days of summertime fun and attracted a total of 837,568 fairgoers, an increase over 2021 fair attendance.

"This year's Indiana State Fair was a great success. We were challenged with a few days of hot summer heat, but thankful that we had mostly beautiful weather," said Cindy Hoyer, Indiana State Fair Commission executive director. "We are proud that no other State Fair brings 4-H project work and agriculture to life like the Indiana State Fair. Thank you to our tremendous partners, from the Tom Wood Automotive Group to the hundreds of volunteers and vendors, for another great year."

In 2021, the State Fair shifted to a post-pandemic format, which included adding a weekend and closing weekly on Mondays and Tuesdays. With this new setup, families have an additional weekend to attend, crowds are spread

out and key operational changes can be made on closed days. State Fair officials reinforce the guest experience being at the forefront of success, including fairgoers experiencing shorter lines for events and food stands.

Highlights From The 2022 Indiana State Fair Despite a heat index above 90 degrees on five days, attendance numbers were above 2021 numbers, attracting 837,568 fairgoers.

Final numbers show that fairgoers enjoyed the Fair to the fullest extent and spent their entire day at the Fair, with many vendors and partners reporting record sales.

6,600 exhibitors showed or displayed a combined 45,739 animal and non-animal projects and 32,000 milkshakes and 32,000 grilled cheeses sandwiches were consumed from the Dairy Bar

The 166th Indiana State Fair returns July 28 – Aug. 20th, 2023 (closed on Mondays and Tuesdays). For more information visit www.indianastatefair.com.

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By Whitney Downard

The Indiana Secured School Safety Board on Tuesday granted 425 requests, over \$22 million, with letters to award winners going out Sept. 1.

“I think there’s more discussion and more interest than ever before, unfortunately, because of events around the country,” Joel Thacker, the executive director of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security, said. “To afford this many schools this amount of money is incredible.”

The funding was approved by a board created after the 2012 massacre at Sandy Hook. Overall more than \$110 million in matching grants for school resource officers (SROs), safety equipment, cameras and visitor management systems have been given.

Schools qualify for up to \$100,000 each year, including public school corporations, accredited non-public schools, charter schools and private schools.

The grants to 425 school corporations are an increase over the previous year’s allocation of \$19 million. Though the state legislature provided \$19 million annually to disperse to schools, this year the board used excess funding from previous years.

“Two years ago, I think it was, there were projects that weren’t done, such as SRO training, because of COVID and so schools didn’t use that money,” said Rusty Goodpaster, the director of the board. “That’s where we got the extra \$3.8 million because that does not revert back to the general fund.”

The vast majority of applicants sought funding

for school resource officers – with 271 schools receiving \$15 million. A second tier of requests, totaling \$37,161, will cover associated costs for SRO, firearm, active shooter and ALICE training at 12 school corporations. ALICE refers to a type of school safety training that emphasizes a series of steps: Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate.

Doug Carter, the superintendent of the Indiana State Police, asked for clarification surrounding the interpretation of a bill passed in 2022, which redefined a school resource officer. He worried that put rural school districts at a disadvantage when it came to applying for grant funding.

“My phone has burned up (with messages) from rural counties in Indiana that will never be able to have a technical SRO,” Carter said. “We’ve made some rural schools unsafe.”

Legislation confusion The bill, House Enrolled Act 1093, was written to allow school resource officers more time to complete their training but some districts told Carter it disqualified them from applying for school safety grants because they didn’t have any officers.

Eric Bowlen, the principal at Martinsville High School, said that’s how he read it too. “We have contracts with 18 off-duty officers so there’s four on duty each day,” Bowlen said. “Now, we’re trying to figure out how we can get training because... the way we read it is if you’re not training (as an SRO) you can’t be in the school.”

Bowlen abstained from voting since he represented a school district

under consideration for grants.

Alyssa Schroeder, the deputy legislative director of Homeland Security, said the definition change didn’t disqualify school districts without school resource officers, because the board’s statutory definition allowed school districts with law enforcement officers or memorandums of understanding with local law enforcement agencies to apply.

“This is really good news,” Carter said, adding at least five other schools had indicated they didn’t apply for grants because of the misinterpretation.

Of the applications, 87 were only partially funded because the requests included non-eligible items or fell under a lower priority category. Another five schools were denied funding because their requests were ineligible and some schools only received grant funding for one of their proposed projects.

Goodpaster clarified that non-eligible items could include training such as STOP THE BLEED, an emergency first aid program or other specialized training.

Thacker said his department has had internal discussions about whether to expand the eligibility criteria for grants.

“Since the statute was written, there haven’t been many changes,” Thacker said. “As we look at events around the country and when we have multiple districts asking for the same thing, maybe it’s time to look closer.”

Correction: An earlier version of this report misstated that every Request 1 request was granted but not lower priorities.

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& Museum at 200 Wallace Avenue, was once General Wallace’s backyard, lying just north of his home on Wabash Avenue. Many people attending the Taste don’t realize that the area near the General’s bronze statue, where hundreds of Taste-goers will congregate this weekend to hear the great live music beneath the shade, was once the site where General Wallace set up his rocking chair under the spread of a giant beech tree, to work on his writing in peace and solitude. Wallace wrote a significant portion of Ben-Hur under this tree, known as the Ben-Hur Beech Tree.

The General’s Study building is one of the gems of Crawfordsville and has seen visitors from around the globe for more than 100 years. The Study is filled with the General’s original

artifacts and personal memorabilia, most of which have been in the Museum’s collection since Wallace’s death in 1905.

All revenues from admission ticket sales at this year’s Taste will fund the Museum’s extensive programming and annual exhibit. This year the museum’s annual exhibit focuses on recent acquisitions to the Museum’s collections. Museum programming in 2022 includes the ongoing Hoosier Authors Book Club, the Dr. Howard Miller Lecture Series in Sept. and Oct., and the Hoosier Author Fair in November. Information about fall programming is online at www.benhur.com/events/.

Tickets for the Taste can be purchased at the gate for \$7 for adults and \$3 for students. Children 6 and under are free. Advance tickets can

be purchased through Friday at a discount: \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. Advance tickets are available at the Carriage House Interpretive Center of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum; the Montgomery County Visitors and Convention Bureau at Fusion 54; Milligan’s Flowers & Gifts at 115 East Main; and Crawfordsville Parks & Recreation Community Center at 922 E. South Boulevard.

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passing at age 17 just a couple months after that census was taken. Then Susanna married William Swindler 17 January 1873, he passing away about 20 years later, having been three times married and father to several grown children but none with Susanna. She is buried in Ladoga as a Swindler (picture from FindAGrave – photo by R&S Fine, some great workers on that site – thanks so much).

The oldest Benson child was Mary Elizabeth who on Valentine’s Day (1865) married Thomas Alan Rains in Montgomery County. Tom had been in the Civil War and I loved two of their girls names (you’ll probably recognize the CW connections – lol). Emma Forest (married James Franklin Ferguson and had three children, Elsie, Ansel and Lucille); Ida May (marr Cass Smith one daughter Letha); Nora Ulysses (marr Rev. Samuel G. Smith and produced Beulah, Hazel, Ruth, Glenn, Eva, Ernest, Jay); Sarah Ann (marr Scott Johnson with these children: Chester, Janet, Hobert, James H, Owen and Mary); and finally that fellow Arthur W. who was born 6 Dec 1879 and lived his whole life here, marrying Fredonia Mercer and they were parents of Delta, Dorothy, Russell Mercer and Mary Helen. Arthur passed away in Crawfordsville 14 Aug 1958.

Mahala’s birth occurred in Clark Township two days before Christmas in 1845. She lived most of her life in that area, passing away at 75 on October 11, 1921 and is buried at Ladoga. She passed from acute colitis and arteriosclerosis. She married Jonas Thomas Gish. Jonas fought in Co I Virginia Regiment, Confederate Army, farmed in Scott Township and is buried in the Ladoga cemetery with Mahala. They were parents of two sons (Charles and Meade) and briefly lived in Douglas County, Illinois. Charles was a laborer at various jobs and lived a fairly long life, just past his 77th birthday but died (Oct 5, 1945) a tough way with a tumor completely filling his right chest, along with Bright’s disease. In the summer of 1899, his father built a

large addition on to their home at “Civil Corner” for Charlie. Married for quite a number of years, I don’t believe Charlie had children. Meade married Maude Byers and in their wedding announcement it noted that he needed “congratulated on having won the heart of this worthy young lady.” They moved to Darlington where he farmed. Meade and Maude had no children, either and Meade lived with brother Charles after she passed away.

Sophia (born 30 Oct 1847) married J. Charles Call in MoCo on the second day of 1873. Charlie was sick for some time and sold their farm just a week before he died. They are buried in Vermilion County, Illinois where their son Bert lived. She died several years later, 16 April 1934 again of arteriosclerosis and having been an invalid for quite some time at age 86 and a half. Their daughter, Lula’s first marriage was to Arthur Cunningham and with his passing she married his cousin, Clay Cunningham. Believe they were divorced and she married Arthur Sutherlin in 1919, she being 14 years older than he. Having lived most of her life in Greencastle, she passed away at the Ruark Nursing Home in Fillmore at age 81, without children, or at least I found none. Son Bert Call had two years of college and his wife, Grace one. They were both bank cashiers for many years in Alvin, Illinois, having one son, Merner Bert Call (with two children and eleven grandchildren at his death).

Seth was born about 1856 and went to Montgomery County, Kansas dying there young on 12 June 1883 in Elk City. He had married Kate Wright and sadly, they had one daughter, Lena who died at birth.

William L. went venturing to Ventura (California) where he lived for at least 30 years. Having married Samantha White two days after Valentine’s Day in 1873 by Elder Joel Ridge of Ladoga, she passed away 29 March 1897 and is buried in Pomona Valley, LA. William and one of his daughters, Hil-da ran a small boarding

house after Samantha’s death then she married N. Herman Williams in the auto business – they had two children, Herman and Maxine. His daughter, Beulah marr William B. Hennessey (three sons, Harold, Howard, Clarence) and her census records noted that she was born in Colorado. William also had a son Homer, born in Colorado, as well; thus the family dwelled there at least a few years. An electrician, he was married and had at least a son William and daughter Dorothy. Samantha has a nice stone but it doesn’t seem William has one passing on the first day of December in 1932.

Perhaps the most interesting of the Benson children was Martha (Mattie J) born in March 1845, married Will Burgess in Oct 1876 by Elder Joel Ridge (Ladoga). This couple moved to Chicago where Will worked as a meat packer. They had two daughters, Queen Anne and Forrest, QA never marrying worked as a stenographer, later a private nurse when she returned back to our area. Her sister Forrest married Edward Harrigan later in life and lived in Wisconsin. Both girls had some college time. Mattie was a deep Christian Science practitioner for 40 of her 82 years, working very hard at that belief while in Chicago. She passed away in early March, 1940 at her home in Chicago and is buried with Will in Ladoga. Mattie’s youngest child was Harold Omer Burgess who was born the last day of March 1885 and passed at age 55 in Indianapolis. He was a teacher at CHS. Could be wrong but don’t believe there were any grandchildren here.

Thus, Susan tallied 7 children and 15 grands for the Himes saga. Some ventured. Some remained, some came back again, but her family concludes Himes Saga #3.

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