

TODAY'S VERSE

1 Corinthians 13:13 So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. (ESV)

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People who call our community their own.



Maybe he was winning at Bingo, but whatever the reason Aaron Melvin was all smiles recently when one of The Paper's roving photographers happened by.

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 The Arts Federation will recognize outstanding members of the community during its Bravo for the Arts Gala on Oct. 21, and they are currently seeking nominations for four different awards. Nominating your favorite business or individual serves as a terrific opportunity to publicly acknowledge businesses for their support of the arts. All nominations should be submitted online by Sept. 20, 2022.

2 The Darlington Library is restarting its afternoon "classic movie" days for children this month. The first movie shown will be "National Velvet," a story about a young girl and her horse, which will be shown at the library theater room on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 4 p.m. The afternoon movies are for children ages 7 through 14. The library will provide free buttered popcorn, fruit drinks, and candy. There is limited seating, so please sign up early in person or by phone. For more information, call librarian John Dale at (765) 794-4813 any afternoon.

3 The 39,000 citizens of the tiny 62 square mile principality of Liechtenstein, located between Switzerland and Austria, were a bit shaken by back-to-back earthquakes recently, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. But they weren't as stunned as was parliamentarian Bettina Petzold-Maehr who at the time was discussing legislation regarding the need for -- you got it -- earthquake insurance. Bettina, at least, took it all in stride, chuckling at the timing of the two quakes. No one was injured.

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Crawfordsville To Kick Off New Professional Development Program

The city of Crawfordsville kicked off a six-week-long consortium-style professional development training program for employees in first-time leadership roles yesterday, in partnership with six local companies.

The in-person training will be held at the Ivy Tech-Crawfordsville campus and the Fusion54 co-working studio in downtown Crawfordsville.

The program is expected to

bring in 60 first-time participants, and partner with the following diverse group of area companies:

- Acuity Brands Lighting;
- Closure Systems International;
- Hoosier Heartland State Bank;
- Pace Dairy;
- Wabash College; and
- Walmart Optical Manufacturing

"The concept for this training

program came from discussions at our monthly workforce roundtable," said Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton. "When we learned that a number of area employers had similar needs for this type of training we decided to help coordinate the effort. We are committed to cultivating that next generation of community leaders in Crawfordsville, and this program will help us

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Today is...

- National Coloring Day
- National Parents Day Off

What Happened On This Day

- 1959 First man-made object successfully lands on the Moon
- 1985 The Golden Girls make their television debut

Births On This Day

- 1965 Dmitry Medvedev Russian politician, third President of Russia
- 1983 Amy Winehouse English singer-songwriter

Deaths On This Day

- 1836 Aaron Burr American politician, third Vice President of the U.S.
- 1901 William McKinley American politician, 25th President of the U.S.

Kenny Vice Ford Closing



The Paper photo by Jessica Leahy

Bob Vice, Heather Olin and Kenny Vice are in the process of closing the doors in Ladoga. Kenny Vice Ford, a mainstay in Ladoga for more than 60 years, officially closes their doors for good today at 5 p.m. Thanks everyone there for all the great years! We're sorry to see you go!

Meredith Nicholson Elementary School Receives Grant From The American Heart Association

The American Heart Association's school-based youth program, Kids Heart Challenge™, awarded \$2,390 to Meredith Nicholson Elementary School in Crawfordsville for a Minds in Motion activity program at the beginning of each school day.

The grant is one of just 64 awarded nationally for this cycle of the grant program that supports schools by funding resources to extend school wellness programs.

The American Heart Association, a global force for healthier lives for all, is helping educators make whole-body wellness a priority by bringing more resources to school campuses. Grant recipients are able to expand their schools' wellness

offerings with additions such as physical activity equipment, water bottle filling stations and educator training opportunities on their campuses to encourage their students to stay healthy and active.

At Meredith Nicholson Elementary School, PE teacher Laura Newman is using the grant to implement multiple programs, including a Minds in Motion program that includes 15 activity stations for students to rotate through when they arrive at school in the morning.

"Students who arrive by bus were often just sitting in the hallway for 20 minutes before school started," Newman said.

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State GOP Facing Challenges Of Own Making

Ok Class, here's today's test. Who is Daniel E. Kelly? Googling is not allowed.



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

Any-one? OK, here's a hint. Mr. Kelly is connected to Dr. Brewster M. Higley. It's OK, I'll wait.

Still nothing? One last hint. Dr. Higley wrote a poem called My Western Home in the 1870s. Give up?

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What's Latest On Housing Pinch Locally?

If you follow regional news, you may have read that nearly 1,100 Indianapolis households faced eviction when their property owners failed to pay \$1.9 million in water bills. In a settlement that came in three weeks before the residents would have to move, JPC Affordable Housing Foundation agreed to sell the rental units and leave Indiana.



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HONEST HOOSIER

Do something kind for someone today. Want extra brownie points? Do something kind for someone you don't much care for!



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you snore loudly or appear to stop breathing while sleeping, you may have sleep apnea. 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.



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TODAY'S QUOTE

"The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot."
Michael Altshuler

TODAY'S JOKE

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Timmons Bestowed Industry Honor

By JOHN O. MARLOWE
For The Paper

When the doors to Sagamore News Media opened almost 20 years ago, publisher Tim Timmons had a sign above his door. It was a quote from the auto racing industry that simply read, we don't show up at a race to lose.

One might read that and consider it cocky. Timmons didn't. He knew there was no guarantee of success with the new venture. But he also knew that winning teams never entered a competition with lesser expectations. Despite critic after critic and prediction after prediction saying the new company wouldn't get off the ground, or wouldn't last two years, the little paper that could as Timmons called it has grown and morphed into Sagamore news Media, a company with two daily newspapers in Montgomery and Hamilton counties.

That achievement, in addition to almost half a century in the media, led Editor & Publisher Magazine to include Timmons in its 2022 class of top executives, whose creativity and daring are making a difference in the media. The "25 Over 50" list was published in the national magazine's September issue.

"I am humbled beyond words," said Timmons. "Editor & Publisher Magazine is the beacon of our industry, and to add me to its class of 25 Over 50 is a recognition of two things: 1) that I've been doing this a long time, and 2) people identify that we are taking chances and doing things differently here."

It's not the first time Timmons has been honored in similar fashion.

In the 1990s, he was included in Presstime Magazine's annual "20 Under 40," a similar listing with this one focusing on media people under the age of 40 making a difference on the national scene. In addition, Timmons' writing has been honored at the national level by The Associated Press and others.

Timmons, 65, has spent 50 years in the media industry, starting as a high school correspondent for the Indianapolis News. He is now the CEO of Sagamore News Media, and steers the operations of media outlets in Noblesville and Crawfordsville as publisher.

The vantage point gives him a perspective on both the challenges and rewards of an industry in dynamic flux.

"It's such an interesting time. There's no doubt of the danger, yet there is opportunity as well. I think the biggest danger lies in trying to continue operating as traditional newspapers," Timmons told E&P.

"We face stout competition in each of our markets, yet the pressures are not coming from the outside. Our biggest challenge to staying relevant is right here in our hands — our cell phones.

"Social media has changed news coverage. In the old days, we would send a reporter and photographer out to the interstate when there was a big wreck. But now, that wreck is being tweeted or posted within minutes, even seconds, on social media. No one is waiting to read about it the next day. While that doesn't mean we ignore it, it should mean we don't present it as breaking news the next day when it's 20-some-



Photo courtesy of Schurz Communications

Timmons, left, and Schurz Communications Executive Charles Pittman, were the only two from Indiana included in the national honor.

thing hours old."

The key to weathering the change, Timmons believes, is to venture into new ideas, but do so while always keeping the trust of the people who continue to support newspapers.

"Content is king, as they say, and we are trying to provide our readers with information and stories that they can't get anywhere else. No, we're not going to start publishing stories or videos about cute kittens or epic fail videos, but we also don't want to fill our pages and web sites with boring stories no one wants to read."

A husband of almost 40 years, as well as a father of two adult girls and grandfather of eight, Timmons directs his remaining attention to his other family — newspapers.

The Paper of Montgomery County started as an idea on a piece of paper in 2004 and The Noblesville Times has been around since Theodore Roosevelt was in office. Both are the oldest locally owned newspapers in their respective markets. They are the flagship publications of Sagamore New Media, which also publishes other ancillary periodicals.

It's definitely a job that keeps him moving.

"I think I've burned through four sets of tires shuttling between Crawfordsville and Noblesville alone," laughed Timmons, who guesses he knows the State Road 32 corridor by heart, now. "It has been toughest on my wife Linda. It's not like I have set hours. There's been plenty a night when supper's gone cold and I'm not home, yet. And she's a good cook!"

What keeps him so busy?

"In our small company, I take out the trash, type briefs, sell ads," Timmons told E&P, "just like everyone who owns a small newspaper does."

It didn't used to be that way for Timmons, though. The newspaperman made stops in Lafayette, Odessa (Texas), Burlington (North Carolina), Lake County (California), Seymour, South Bend and Crawfordsville. Before forming Sagamore New Media with a group of local owners, Timmons was general manager of the South Bend Tribune.

He also is a published author. A management book Timmons wrote came out in 2004 (Coaching Success, Bristol Publishing).

It's been a long and successful career. Like anyone, Timmons looks back some, but he keeps moving forward.

"At my age, now, I sometimes wonder what life would be like if I

had just stayed put — I know Linda does," he says with a chuckle. "I was offered the opportunity to be a columnist at a major metropolitan newspaper years ago. At the same time, I was offered an opportunity to move into upper management. Both were great moves and I've never believed you should second-guess decisions made. My grandpa told me that once you decide something, make it the right choice."

Making choices, some bold, often epitomizes Timmons' decision-making. It is integral to a career that has literally taken him from coast to coast. It is the bedrock for what he does, today, and ultimately led to the honor from the magazine.

Editor & Publisher has covered the media industry for more than 130 years, first appearing in 1884. Each year, the periodical's "Over Fifty" feature selects leaders for "their strong work ethic, transformational mindsets, commitment to journalistic and publishing excellence and their ability to lead during challenging times," according to their website.

Timmons still enjoys his career, and believes in it wholeheartedly, although it may look different in the future than it does, today.

"In our company, the vast majority of our readers subscribe to our daily online editions, but we have to be aware

that won't last forever. At this point, an online edition is probably just a transitory product to whatever the next thing is. We have an opportunity to reinvent ourselves into media companies that connect to our communities in ways we've never done before. And if we do, our future looks pretty good."

In that future, Timmons recognizes that the media is nothing without the people — people to read and view; people who make the news; and the professionals who share their stories.

"It's like a quarterback who is honored in some way," Timmons said. "They wouldn't be there if not for the offensive line and the team around them. We have a great group of people in our company, both today and those who have been a part of the first two decades. If not for them, things like this wouldn't happen."

Timmons told E&P something similar.

"I treasure the letters, notes, emails and calls I get here and there from people I used to work with who say that I helped them in some way," Timmons said. "I'm not sure who helped who the most, but our industry needs talented people."

Like the sign above the door says, they didn't show up to lose. Despite the decades' old gloom and doom predictions, it's a race they're still running.

E & P Chronicles Newspaper News

By JOHN O. MARLOWE
For The Paper

Google CEO, Eric Schmidt, said once that to catalogue all the word's information, something the company expects to do, it will take approximately 300 years to complete. In a sense, Editor & Publisher magazine has the jump on the tech giant, with 138 years already under its belt. Spawned from previous publications, the oldest of which — the weekly The Journalist — the self-described "bible of the newspaper industry" dates its existence to the year 1884. Editor & Publisher magazine first appeared under the current banner in 1909.

It was the Golden Age

of newspapers, when a single publication might distribute as many as 500,000 copies each and every day. Giants of the industry and American history — like Hurst, Pulitzer, Connelly and Lish — were as legendary as Elon Musk, Steve Jobs or Bill Gates are today.

E&P covers all aspects of the newspaper industry, focusing on circulation data, job listings and industry awards. Today the trade publication is expanding its coverage into podcasts and voice. Media consultant firm Mike Blinder's Curated Experiences Group purchased Editor & Publisher in 2019, and the company is headquartered in Fountain Valley, Calif.

Meeting Notes

Montgomery County Drainage Board

Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2022 At 9:30 a.m.

Montgomery County Government Center, Community Meeting Room

1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, In 47933

- I. Call To Order
- ii. Pledge Of Allegiance & Prayer
- iii. Approval Of Minutes
- June 21st, 2022 – Special Meeting
- iv. Petitions
- v. Old Business
- Joel Tobin #576 – Fi-

Meeting Notes

Montgomery County Medical Care Trust, Inc

101 W. Main St. Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933

Agenda For Regular Monthly Meeting Monday, Sept. 19, 2022

nal Schedule Of Reconstruction Assessments

Allie Peterson #549 – Reconstruction

O Contract Change Order

O Approval Of Final Payment To Contractor Charles Schoen #552 – Reconstruction

O Contract Change Order

O Approval Of Final Payment To Contractor William Shelley #706 – Reconstruction Update

2022 Reconstruction Reports

vi. Other Business Drain Fund Transfer Requests – Revision

vii. New Business

viii. Public Comment

ix. Adjournment

6:00 p.m.

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Minutes

Executive Session To Review Individual Claims

Approval Of Claims Treasurers Report

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Adjournment

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As the largest general farm organization in the state, INFB has a presence in all 92 counties, making it possible to assist farmers and others involved in agriculture where they live and work. Although, where Hoosiers live and work seems to have shifted in the past decade.

According to the 2020 Census data, 52% of Indiana counties – including most mid-sized and rural communities – lost population between 2010 and 2020. That is the largest number of Indiana counties to show a decline between censuses since the 1980s.

“The realization that we needed to refocus our efforts hit home when we saw the recent census data,” said Andy Tauer, executive director of public policy at INFB. “We know our members come from all areas of the state, but the majority come from rural areas. So, we’re trying to make sure that the resources and businesses located in those rural areas don’t suffer because of loss of population.

In Dec. of 2021, INFB hired Colette Chil-

dress, previously from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA), to be a local government policy advisor. Since then, she’s been able to visit 32 counties in her role to help INFB members engage more in their communities and work with local governments to improve the quality of life in those areas.

“I’ve heard the saying before that ‘If you’ve seen one Indiana community, you’ve seen one Indiana community.’ Every town, city and local government is different, so I’m working to engage those communities beyond just farming,” said Childress. “INFB members are more than just people on tractors. They’re leaders in their communities. By using INFB’s clout to help get things done at a local level, we’re setting the groundwork and foundation to really make a difference.”

In fact, that groundwork was set as a strategic initiative for the organization this past year to engage in infrastructure projects around the state. Whether that includes writing a letter of opposition to a proposed road project that would take away precious farmland, lobbying on a county’s behalf to get a drinking water project funded, or



speaking in support of repairing a grain bin at a county board of zoning appeals, INFB has shown up to advocate for members in whatever way they needed.

Recently, members in Sullivan County have taken advantage of an opportunity for the city to apply for funding for a new fire station for their community. A local farmer there explained that if a fire broke out today, he could lose everything in a matter of minutes. With the grant they are seeking, it requires letters of support stating the public need for something like this, so Sullivan County Farm Bureau is preparing a letter to help support the needs of their community.

When a meat processing company wanted to purchase a vacant facility in Adams County, at first the Decatur City Council shot it down. INFB pub-

lic policy team, field staff and Adams County Farm Bureau went to work to help inform the community about meat processing, engaged with the business to host tours of the facility and spoke in support of the project at multiple public meetings. Ultimately, those actions shifted support and helped move it through the approval process. This will be the first industrial development started in the city in 25 years, providing a big boost to the local economy.

“Keeping rural Indiana viable requires local residents to get more involved in solving local problems,” added Childress. “Sometimes all it takes is an idea or a meeting with the right people to set progress in motion.”

“Colette helped us surface issues in our area that were helpful and catalyzed things that

we would have not been able to accomplish on our own,” said Virgil Bremer, Rush County Farm Bureau president. “She’s great to bounce ideas off. Having experience at OCRA, she really understands the funding process and how to solve local issues with funding gaps.”

Since the pandemic, people have learned that they can work or attend school from anywhere. As a result, broadband access has become a huge pain point for rural communities because they’re losing people to areas that have better internet access.

“We are currently working on a rural broadband initiative in Henry County that would bring several different players to the table to create a broadband task force,” said Lis McDonnell, Henry County Farm Bureau president. “By providing trusted policy advice to our members and setting up meetings that we wouldn’t have been able to, INFB has fostered some key connections for us on the local, state and national levels that will really help improve our community in the long run.”

During the 2021 legislative session, INFB surveyed members around the state about broadband. The surveyed

showed 97% of respondents said that access to reliable high-speed internet was important or extremely important to their future. INFB helped pass four different bills that session that addressed bringing better broadband access to the unserved and underserved in Indiana.

“Keeping rural communities viable has always been an INFB priority, we’re just being more intentional and putting more resources toward that effort now,” said Randy Kron, president of INFB. “We want to make sure our farmers are able to pass down their farms to the next generation. But that generation won’t be here if we don’t put in the effort at the local level now.”

About Indiana Farm Bureau

For more than 100 years, Indiana Farm Bureau (INFB) has promoted agriculture in Indiana through public education, member engagement, and by advocating for agricultural and rural needs. As the state’s largest general farm organization, INFB works diligently to ensure a farmer’s right to farm—protecting the livelihood, land, equipment, animals and crops of Hoosier farmers—because agriculture is vital to Indiana’s economy. Learn more at INFB.org

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Indiana Part Of 19-State Coalition Opposing Proposed Title IX Rule Changes

Attorney General Todd Rokita has announced Indiana is part of a 19-state coalition opposing the Biden administration's rewrite of Title IX rules.



Attorney General Todd Rokita

Biden's proposals include redefining "sex" to mean "gender identity."

"Title IX was passed 50 years ago to ensure equal opportunities for women," Rokita said.

"But we cannot effectively protect women's rights if we refuse to acknowledge that there are, in fact, two biologically distinct sexes."

The Attorney General expressed his concerns in a letter to U.S. Education Secretary Miguel Cardona.

In the letter, Rokita

notes that Title IX's very purpose has been to prevent discrimination against girls and women and encourage their increased participation in middle school, high school and college athletics.

"Now the Biden administration seeks to

codify anti-woman prejudice and undo the very protections for which Title IX was created," he said.

Biden's proposed Title IX proposed changes also give greater freedom to school officials, parents and a student's legal representative to address children's "gender identity" issues without parents' knowledge or consent.

"Protecting the rights of parents to direct their children's upbringing and education is one of my highest priorities," Rokita said. "That's another reason I am so passionately opposed to this malicious attack by the Biden administration

on Hoosier families."

Without notifying students' parents or obtaining parents' agreement, school officials under the proposed new rules could provide counseling to children about gender identity issues. Further, schools would be able to allow children to choose gender identities different from their sex assigned at birth.

"The total exclusion of parents from these important decision-making processes regarding their own children directly violates Supreme Court precedent from the last 100 years," Rokita said. "This kind of bureaucratic malpractice cannot stand."

Indiana Chamber Says Pending National Rail Strike Would Be An 'Economic Disaster'

Indiana Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Kevin Brinegar comments on the negotiations between the nation's six largest freight railroads and 12 unions.

"We are on the verge of an economic disaster if a national rail strike occurs. This will have devastating consequences for Indiana manufacturers, especially those in the agribusiness and automobile industries, with those perishable commodities to be impacted almost immediately since there is no ability to delay those shipments. Hoosiers also will feel the effects given the country's already compromised food chain."

"If the remaining two unions do not agree to the deal that the 10 others have, the federal government must intervene. We are in contact with Indiana's congressional members and are urging them to raise this issue to a level of emergency with all they can to spur the necessary action."

Afraid To Pick Up The Phone? Here's How To Deal With Debt Collectors

With Americans struggling with decades-high inflation and other economic uncertainties, millions have turned to debt to make ends meet. Adding to the stress of many are seemingly endless calls from aggressive debt collectors.

"Nobody should be afraid to pick up their phone or be on the receiving end of bullying or threatening language. But relief is much closer than many people may think," said Amy Maliga, a financial educator with Take Charge America, a nonprofit credit counseling and debt management agency.

"When you understand how debt collection works, you can leverage that knowledge to find peace of mind as you work to become debt-free."

The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA) protects individuals from debt collector harassment and dictates how collection agencies can interact with people. To help individuals regain control of debt collector calls, Maliga shares five key actions to take:

Check their facts. Ask for written verification of the debt amount and additional details, including the name of the original creditor and instructions on how to dispute the debt if you question its validity. By law, collection agencies must provide this information within five days of your request. Never provide sensitive financial details over the phone.

Keep detailed records. Keep track of every letter, email and phone call you have with debt collectors. These will come in handy if you must file

a complaint or prove you paid the debt if another agency tries to collect on it in the future.

Take control of communication. You have the right to dictate how debt collectors can communicate with you. You can make the request via email or letter. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) offers letter templates to help communicate with debt collectors in writing.

File a complaint. If a collection agency remains aggressive or blatantly violates the FDCPA, you can file a complaint online with the CFPB or by phone at 855-411-2372. You will receive email updates and can check the status of your complaint on the CFPB website.

Explore credit counseling. If you're overwhelmed by collection calls, you may find relief with nonprofit credit counseling. After going through a free credit counseling session online or over the phone, you'll receive a free action plan with customized solutions, possibly including a debt management plan.

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Purdue University Sets All-Time Student Enrollment Record In West Lafayette

Growing up in Indianapolis, Victor Chukwuocha dreamed of becoming an engineer and an entrepreneur.

Chukwuocha and the 50,000-plus students at Purdue University this year who are persistently pursuing a Purdue education have been influenced and shaped by several strategic decisions made by Purdue's Board of Trustees and President Mitch Daniels.

One of those decisions that most directly impacted Chukwuocha's dream was Daniels' 2016 announcement of plans to create a network of Purdue Polytechnic High Schools across the state. The schools would recruit and prepare students from areas such as Indianapolis that struggle to produce graduates ready for and interested in a Purdue education. The number of new students arriving at Purdue from the entire Indianapolis Public Schools system in 2016 was just 12, and only five of those were Black. Including PPHS, IPS now sends 35 more students to Purdue annually, and Chukwuocha is one of the almost 60 PPHS students from the public charter school's first two graduating classes now attending Purdue.

Another decision was to grow the university – both in strategic academic areas and student enrollment. Paraphrasing another academic leader, Daniels declared in 2015, "We shouldn't seek to be known by how many we turn down but by how many we turn out." What proceeded was a rapid expansion of enrollment and an increase in the number of Indiana residents offered admission to Purdue by about 350 more annually, and the number accepting that offer and enrolling at Purdue reached new highs.

Chukwuocha is part of the largest student body on Purdue's West Lafayette campus in history. This fall, total enrollment reached a record 50,884 students – just topping last year's 49,639 students – and marked the university's eighth straight record high. This includes 37,949 undergrads – also a record. The incoming freshman class is 9,354, still one of Purdue's largest but smaller than last year's record of 10,191, by intent.

Purdue admissions officers and recruit-



ers have delivered this growth without diminishing the preparedness of incoming Boilermakers. Purdue received 68,309 applications for the fall of 2022, 28,284 more than in 2014, when Purdue switched to the Common Application, and 37,093 more than when Daniels arrived. The average new student in Fall 2022 had a 3.74 GPA, an average SAT total of 1317 and an average ACT composite of 29.8. New, admitted students had an average SAT and ACT disclosure rate of 82.4%.

Purdue's commitment to affordability, highlighted by 11 years of frozen tuition and savings of more than \$1 billion dollars for families since 2012-13, has played a central role. But investments in quality have also been key, as has a rising national profile as a top national university.

To keep pace with the enrollment growth, Purdue has added more student housing and expanded the faculty each year, with 213 faculty hired this fall, the largest group of hires in university history.

In addition to the growing number of applicants for enrollment from across the country, evidence of Purdue's enhanced national profile include being the only university named a "Brand That Matters" by Fast Company magazine, a No. 4 ranking as the most trusted public university in the country, and a top 3 ranking as a university that protects free speech and open inquiry. U.S. News & World Report also ranks Purdue as one of the most innovative schools in the country in addition to ranking numerous academic programs highly.

Even with the national spotlight, Purdue continues to serve students from Indiana. In fact, nearly every Indiana resident who completed an application received an enrollment offer somewhere in the Purdue system, and over 75% were offered a place at West Lafayette.

Purdue's minority

enrollment continues to grow, with 4,326 underrepresented minority undergraduates representing 12.8% of domestic enrollment. 10,108, or 30%, of domestic undergraduates are U.S. minorities, which include Asian American students. This is an increase of 13.6% over the 4,140 enrolled in 2012.

Purdue Polytechnic High Schools, like the one Chukwuocha attended on Indianapolis' east side, are intended to recruit and prepare underrepresented students. PPHS now enrolls more than 1,000 students across three locations, with a fourth location planned. To further diversify Purdue, the university is also working with the Posse Foundation, which helped bring 11 students from northwestern and northern Indiana to Purdue in this first year of collaboration.

Another focus of Purdue is increasing the number of degrees in science, technology, engineering and math disciplines. In 2022, 71% of undergraduate degree recipients received a STEM degree, up from 44% in 2010. With enrollment growth, Purdue has also seen the growth in the number of degrees conferred, with the largest increase in number in baccalaureate degrees. In 2012-13, Purdue conferred 9,704 degrees. In 2021-22, Purdue conferred 12,943 degrees.

Purdue Global, the university's accredited and affordable online solution designed for the working adult with life experience and often some college credit, but no degree, reported an enrollment of 34,246 for September 2022.

Other West Lafayette campus enrollment highlights are:

Graduate enrollment: 12,017, including 3,612 online-only, surpassing last year's record of 11,613.

Professional degree enrollment: 918.

Undergraduate residency: Indiana students, 17,964; U.S. non-Indiana students, 15,773;

and international students, 4,212.

Total enrollment by gender: women, 21,634; men, 29,250.

Total enrollment by ethnicity: Black or African American, 1,350; Asian, 5,747; Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, 23; Hispanic/Latino, 3,203; American Indian/Alaska Native, 61; and two or more races, 2,023.

Total enrollment in West Lafayette: 50,884.

Polytechnic statewide: 645. Purdue Polytechnic Institute degrees are offered in Anderson, Columbus, Indianapolis, Kokomo, Lafayette, New Albany, Richmond, South Bend and Vincennes.

Statements from Purdue officials regarding enrollment numbers:

Kristina Wong Davis, vice provost for enrollment management

"We are excited to welcome this record-setting number of students to campus this year. With more than 100,000 students overall across the Purdue system and including Purdue Global, the demand is still strong for a Purdue education. The number of applicants for our programs continue to rise year-over-year. Also, some of our other efforts through early outreach coordinators are ensuring that Purdue's profile remains top of mind for talented young students."

Jay Akridge, Purdue provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and diversity

"Our Fall 2022 enrollment is a clear demonstration that students and their families see Purdue as an exceptional educational value. Our commitments to outstanding teaching and experiential education and the resulting nationally ranked programs, combined with our commitment to an affordable and accessible education, are bringing record numbers to West Lafayette. And the most exciting part is thinking about the mark these Boilermakers will leave on our world after they complete their studies here."

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Mayor Todd Barton welcomes the first group of program participants for the six-week-long consortium-style professional development training program for employees in first-time leadership roles at the Ivy Tech-Crawfordsville campus.

achieve that.”
Due to the diversity of companies involved, each program week will consist of three 3-hour sessions to accommodate those leaders who work various shifts. Multiple facilitators will lead sessions on topics such as Imposter Syndrome, “From Buddy to Boss”, and the Five Behaviors of a Cohesive Team. Prior to the first session, each participant received a link to complete a DiSC personal assessment—which helps participants understand how they respond to conflict, motivation, and problem solving—and then work with the facilitator on how to use the informa-

tion to build and lead a better team.
“The idea of a consortium training program was appealing because Acuity Brands strives to contribute to career training that will be meaningful to the participants, their families, and their communities. Our company is focused on supporting sustained career growth and helping those in our community thrive,” said Acuity Brands Director of Operations Shawn Ramey.
Facilitators for the program include HRD Advisory Group, Ivy Tech, and City of Greenwood Assistant Fire Chief Brad Coy.

“Ivy Tech’s Career Link department is excited to be part of this innovative training initiative. This type of leadership training can have a positive impact on productivity and employee satisfaction across an entire organization,” said Ivy Tech Employer Consultant Les Smith.
The desire of the pilot companies is that this professional development consortium training will remain an ongoing program throughout the year. For more information about this program, contact Cheryl Morphew, Economic Development, City of Crawfordsville at cmorphew@crawfordsville-in.gov.

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“This grant from the American Heart Association has allowed us to purchase resources to implement activities that stimulate learning and help with visual and auditory processing, motor skills and behavior.”
With deep roots in physical activity, Kids Heart Challenge has expanded beyond the gym to meet the needs of today’s youth and educators as science has proven the strong connection between physical and mental health. Kids Heart Challenge offers a variety of physical activities to get elementary students’ hearts pumping such as dance, basketball or jumping rope paired with digital mission to learn life-saving skills such as Hands-Only CPR™.
According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ 2018 Physical Activity

Guidelines for Americans,[1] only 20% of kids get enough activity to meet physical activity recommendations. Kids Heart Challenge is rooted in proven science, which has shown that kids who are regularly active have a better chance of a healthy adulthood.
Funds raised by Kids Heart Challenge participants support the American Heart Association’s scientific research and outreach programs, paving the way for improved health outcomes for healthier communities. Schools are encouraged to register now for the 2022-2023 school year. The program provides grant funding twice a year, mid-school year and year end, to provide resources in real time to students. Since the grant program began in 2019, over \$1 million dollars has been granted to schools to support proj-

ects that make schools healthier.
To learn more about the American Heart Association’s kids initiatives, or to make a donation, please visit www.heart.org/kids.
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Daniel took that poem and started playing around with it on his guitar. He added a few words here and there and when it was all said and done, the song you and I know as Home on the Range came out.
I share all that to offer my sincere apologies to Danny and Brewster. Pretty sure what follows is perhaps the worst rendition of the song ever got.
Hang on while I clear my throat . . .
We live in a home
Where the buffalo roamed
And the state keeps our money all day
Where never is heard
An encouraging word
(between the two parties)
And Hoosiers are feeling betrayed!
Blown, blown all away
Where our money gets pilfered away
They tax and they take
It’s really absurd
And leaves us worn and dismayed
Let’s start with the recently concluded and so-called special session. The only thing special about it was that Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb couldn’t wait until January to jump on the abortion bandwagon. Between that and what lawmakers laughingly called economic relief, they decided to spend around a quarter of

a million bucks to meet.
What came out of it?
Actually, I’d like to avoid the arguments – pro and con – on the abortion decisions made. For today, could we just focus on the money side of things?
And let’s start with Indiana’s rainy day fund – a stockpile of your money and mine that is currently at more than \$6,000,000,000.
Yes, that is nine zeroes. Billion.
Black gold. Texas T. (Oops, sorry. Wrong song.) Just like Uncle Jed and the Clampetts, Holcomb and legislators find themselves with more money than they know what to do with. Think not? Well, they had to have a special session to decide to send Hoosiers what, \$200, \$125, \$325, \$650? The more they talked the muddier the amount became. At the end of it all, the Republicans decided to send some of our money back to us.
Mighty big of them considering they have more than \$6 BILLION OF OUR MONEY SITTING IN THE BANK!!!
And please do remember the key word there – O-U-R, as in our money, as in belongs to us, as in we are the state’s source of money . . . don’t forget, the state really

doesn’t have any cash without us.
To be sure, some of that money we send them is necessary. Schools, public safety and such are paid for by us. Not the state. Us. Somehow, we always seem to forget that. But hey, we can take at least take some comfort in the fact that our state highways and byways are smooth and seamless and . . . oh, hang on. I’m writing this while I sit stuck in traffic on the stalled interstate. What was the stall caused by? Who knows? Could be that someone hit a giant pothole and ran off the road.
Everyone keeps predicting a red tidal wave come this fall’s elections. Indiana, a decidedly red state, might be an exception to that since the GOP, the party with the super majority, can’t seem to figure out how to manage from the lead. That doesn’t say much for any of the Republican leadership, does it? Here’s hoping they figure it out sooner rather than later.
Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically on Wednesdays in The Paper. Timmons is the publisher of The Paper and can be contacted at ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com.

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Had the renters been evicted, those households would have faced a cascade of major life complications including finding affordable housing during a housing shortage and had to deal with skyrocketing rental prices. It’s the vulnerable population most affected: seniors on fixed incomes, low-income wage earners and parents with children enrolled in school would have to relocate.
Here in Crawfordsville, the same groups are feeling the pinch. Local residents are saying that seniors on a fixed-income are struggling to find HUD and first-floor housing, which they need because of limited incomes and mobility. Low-wage earners feel trapped because their limited incomes make it a hardship to cough up \$2,000 for an application fee, the first month’s rent, a deposit and utility connection fees. Locals report that \$2,000 to move has become common in the past year.
Single parents and low-income households said they feel trapped with landlords who fail to repair and clean units before they move in. A number of residents voiced concerns about units with mold and damage that had been cosmetically hidden with paint. They cited management companies delaying or denying repairs or holding the current resident responsible for damage that existed at-move in. When they have to move, they can’t find an affordable place from an owner with a trustworthy reputation. Others have beloved pets and can’t find a place that accepts pets.
What has caused this problem? Is it a bottleneck in new single-family and multi-unit buildings?
The problem is making headlines nationally, but here in Crawfordsville, it has pre-pandemic roots. Mayor Todd Barton had tried wooing single-family developers to the city, but they were unwilling to come until the Temper-Sealy deal. With supply-chain shortages and rising costs of building materials, housing starts in Crawfordsville dropped steeply. As of September 1, only eight permits were granted in the city. Marc Bonwell, Montgomery County Building Administrator, reported 47 new

single-family dwellings. By comparison, there were 79 house-building permits in 2021.
Since last September, Mayor Barton secured a contract with a housing developer, and he’s looking forward to 150 new single-family dwellings on the south side of Crawfordsville in 2023. These will help those who want to own, but it doesn’t resolve the issue of suitable places to rent anytime soon because the problem is complicated. Slowdowns in building and climbing interest rates mean that more households have to rent.
Interestingly, the Census Bureau reported in 2021 that there are more than 16,500 housing units in the county and only about 15,600 households. What’s missing are quality, affordable rental units. Mayor Barton was able to report that 2,281 rental units are registered in the city, but some places do not list their actual units. He believes the number could be higher, and that the county may have about the same in unincorporated areas, but Bonwell said his office doesn’t have data on the number of units in the county, so that’s hard to verify.
From 2016-20, the median rent in the county cost about \$700 dollars, then the pandemic happened, shaking up every element of the economy and creating a strange storm of increased wages, strong employment, high demand and a shortage of goods. Costs skyrocketed. Axios reported that asking rates for rent are 23 percent higher than the same period in 2019. With a shortage of homes in many areas, hopeful home buyers settle for renting, increasing demand and pressure on the market. One renter’s struggle is a landlord’s opportunity to capitalize.
Not every landlord is raising rent. Judy Christianson owns two properties in the county and has kept rents steady. Her complaint is that housing assessments went up with the demand, thus property taxes went up. Christianson learned this year that she will have to challenge the appraised tax value of county properties annually to keep the tax bills from spiking. If she can’t keep the assessment values real-

istic and taxes affordable, she may have to raise rent.
Meanwhile, corporate property companies dispute the complaints of renters. BK Management employee Connie Edwards-Gayler refuted complaints about lack of repairs in the 350 Montgomery County units the company owns. Her company has an online portal for residents to order repairs. If the one full-time maintenance professional in the county can’t fix it, they call in professionals for a quote or augment with personnel from Lafayette where more of BK’s total 2,000 units are. From BK’s vantage, renters bear responsibility to care for their rentals as well and some leave the places damaged.
All of this affects evictions. As reported a year ago, Mayor Barton monitors evictions quarterly. Evictions had dropped from a pre-pandemic 299 to 168 last year. But this year, there are already 153 filings from Jan. 1 through Sept. 6, so numbers are trending much higher. Evictions create a downward cycle for people. Eviction is a black letter E that’s sewn to a person’s housing record, preventing them from renting with many landlords, increases housing costs and chokes options for safe housing.
This tension between property owners, communities, and individuals represents the tension of any social contract. Here in Montgomery County we are muddling through what safe and affordable housing is, who gets to deny that opportunity to people with limited incomes, prior convictions or evictions and the communal cost we bear when we have housing insecurity. It’s a discussion that the League of Women Voters hopes to tackle with an updated housing study, and it will benefit from all the input being gathered by other organizations focused on our common good.
The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, multi-issue political organization which encourages informed and active participation in government. For information about the League, visit the website www.lwvmontcoin.org; or, visit the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County, Indiana Facebook page.

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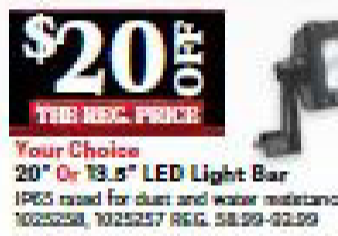
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