#### **⇒ TODAY'S VERSE**

Isaiah 43:1-3 Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shall not be burned; neither shall

not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. For I am the LORD thy God.

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## THREE THINGS You Should Know:

An avid, anonymous baseball fan took "a bite" of the history of America's National Pastime recently when he [or she] took possession of Ty Cobb's false teeth at auction for \$18,000, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. When the legendary center fielder for the Detroit Tigers passed away in 1961 Cobb's biographer, Al Stump, wound up with his dentures. Karen Shemonsky purchased them at auction in 1999 for \$7,475, telling the New York Post: "This is such a thrill to me to now own a piece of baseball history." This time around, the auction house, SCP, described Cobb's choppers as being "well-preserved."

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 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.

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## 21 Communities Are To Receive \$12.9 Million In Federal Grants

**CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA** 



Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch

Indiana Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs announced Tuesday that New Richmond and 20 other rural Indiana communities are getting more than \$12.9 million in federal grant funding to create and expand community facilities and improve water infrastructure.

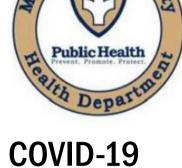
For New Richmond specifically, the town is getting \$700,000 for a system-wide comprehensive rehabilitation of overall water system component. This will include well-field, water treatment plant and distribution system. This will enhance water quality with iron / manganese removal, eliminate dead-end water mains, reduc-

Office of COMMUNITY & RURAL AFFAIRS

ing water loss and increasing flow as well as increasing fire protection.

"Quality of life is important for rural areas in Indiana, and these grants will help several Indiana communities make needed improvements and upgrades," Crouch, who is also Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, said. "As communities across the country age, funding infrastructure projects is becoming more and more important, especially water and wastewater projects. I am pleased to see many Indiana communities focusing their efforts in these

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# COVID-19 Vaccine Is Available At Mont. County Health Dept.

Are you needing your COVID-19 vaccinations? The Montgomery County Health Department has you covered!

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We still offer the first and second doses of the COVID-19 vaccines and boosters—Moderna and Novavax which are

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## Himes Saga Continues #6 – Jacob It Is!



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

Last week you read about a Himes marrying a Linn and we have that match again today when in 1853, Jacob Himes (of course son of Daniel and Mary Sarah Wrightsman Himes) married Catherine Linn (10 Oct 1833 who only lived one year after their marriage) daughter of James Washington Linn and Mahala Castle, Mahala passing a few years before her daughter

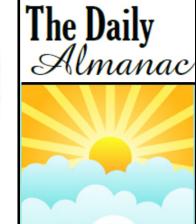


and J.W. the next year after Catherine.

Their one child, Mary Ellen Himes had a short, but interesting life. Her step mother gave her a good young life, but at a young age, she wed. She was 23 years younger than her husband, Benjamin Franklin Dickerson, marrying him at age 18, he age 41, on July 26, 1872 in Montgomery County. They

went directly to his farm in Scott Township and began producing little ones, William W; John A; Alice Ann and seven years after, George B. I could not find an obituary or death record, but she is not with the family in the 1900 census and she must have passed in early 1893 as there was an article

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• 1935 Nuremberg laws instituted by the Nazi party are put into force





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- 1946 Oliver Stone American director, screenwriter, producer

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#### **⇒ TODAY'S QUOTE**

"Success is not final. Failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts." Winston Churchill

#### **⇒** TODAY'S JOKE

What monster is red, round and comes out each fall?
Frankenapple.





PAGE A2 I THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

#### OBITUARIES

#### **Betty Louise (Cedars) Miles**

Oct. 22, 1927 - Sept. 7, 2022

Betty Louise (Cedars) Miles, 94, of Waynetown, passed away on Sept. 7, 2022 at Saint Anthony Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, surrounded by her two daughters.

She was born in Montgomery County to the late William Verne Cedars and Elsie Ethel (Atkinson) Cedars on Oct. 22, 1927.

She was a 1946 graduate of Waynetown High School. She worked at RR Donnelley & Sons Co. for a short time, where she met the love of her life, Herschel C. Miles. They were married nearly 60 years. She married Herschel on Jan. 5, 1947 in Waynetown, Ind. He preceded her in death on Oct. 29, 2007. She was a homemaker and in 1969 went to work in Crawfordsville and learned to sew draperies. She was known in the

She was an active member of the Waynetown Baptist Church. She was always helping in any way she could: mission work, organizing bereavement dinners and was a choir member. She was a retired past member of Psi Otes Sorority, Beta Chi Chapter and a past member of Eastern Star and Home Ec. Later after retiring, she became a competitive player in her local canasta club.

community for her custom-made draperies.

She was a very talented seamstress and cook/baker. She enjoyed making her girls' clothes while they were growing up. She was especially accomplished in sewing prom dresses and bridal gowns for family. Having been raised in farm families, she and Curt enjoyed gardening. They were known for their delicious home-grown tomatoes. Cooking was one of her enjoyments, along with canning. Chicken & noodles, pies and peach cobbler were delicious favorites she would take to family gatherings and church dinners. She always looked forward to holidays and watching her grandchildren and great grandchildren's accomplishments and growth.

The family wants to thank the Saint Anthony nursing staff, physical therapists, activity ladies and other staff for their expertise, compassion and loving care. They became family to her over the almost seven years she

Survivors include her sister, Nel Allen of Houston, Texas; two daughters, Debbie Hunter of Waynetown and Harriet Meade (Mike) of Veedersburg; a son-in-law, Steve Perry of Veedersburg; five grandchildren, Shelly Vacca (Cory) of Veedersburg, Brian Perry (Dayna) of Williamsport, Jennifer Hochstedler (Adam) of Greencastle, Emily Hunter of Brownsburg and Kristin Roth (Lance) of Greencastle; eight great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; two siblings, Harry Cedars and Margaret Rager; as well as, her oldest daughter, Katherine Perry.

Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Anthony's Activities Department in Lafayette, Ind. and the Waynetown Baptist Church.

Visitation is scheduled on Thursday, Sept. 15 at Sanders Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S Washington Street in Crawfordsville from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 12 noon. The service will be live-streamed and recorded which can be viewed on her obituary page at www.SandersFuneralCare.com. Burial will follow at Waynetown Masonic Cemetery. Share memories and condolences at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

#### James W. Mitton

Dec. 30, 1929 - Sept. 6, 2022

James "Jim" Walter Mitton, 92, formerly of Waynetown and had been residing at the Fountain Springs in Covington, passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2022 at 5:15 a.m. in the Fountain Springs with his wife by his bedside.

He was born in Veedersburg, Ind. on Dec. 30, 1929. He was the son of the late Walter James and Hazel (Perry) Mitton.

Hewas raised in Veedersburg and had been residing at Waynetown for the past 18 years until recently moving to the Fountain Springs. He formerly worked at C & D Battery for several years until his retirement. He served

in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. At the time of his honorable discharge he had attained the rank of Private First Class (T). He was a member of the Sterling Christian Church. He was a 50 year member of the Veedersburg Lodge # 491 F. & A.M. He and his wife were part of the Hub Nuts Camping Club.

On Feb. 14, 1953, Jim married Dorothy Ingalsbe in Veedersburg.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy of 69 years along with two sons, Dave (Billie) Mitton of Williamsport and Darrell (Jacki) Mitton, Lafayette; five grandchildren, Geoff Mitton, Fla.; Josh Mitton, Lafayette; Jessica Galloway, Crawfordsville; Zack Mitton, Williamsport; Paige (Scott) Brost, Williamsport and a special daughter who was raised with the family, Denise (Bill) Mathews, Rossville, Ill.; 15 great-grandchildren and three great great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Dorothy Phillips and Evelyn Gayler; six brothers, Orville, Robert, Bill, Dean, Everett and Don Mitton; and a great-grandson, Kale Galloway.

Friends may call at the Maus Funeral Home, Hillsboro on Wednesday, Sept. 14 from 12 p.m. until the masonic memorial service at 2 p.m. The funeral service will follow the masonic service at 2:15 p.m. with Pastor Gary Johnson officiating. Burial with military honors will be held in the Waynetown Masonic Cemetery, Waynetown, Ind. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of ones choice. The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff of Fountain Springs for the kind and gracious care that was accorded both Jim and Doro-

thy during their stay. Condolences may be sent on line to www.mausfuner-

alhome.com.

#### **Martha Jane Clore**

Dec. 5, 1936 - Sept. 13, 2022

Martha Jane Clore passed away peacefully at the Ben Hur Nursing Home on Sept. 13, 2022

She was born Dec. 5, 1936 to Charlotte Sybil (Carver) Eads and Ezra

She dedicated her life to God, her husband and her children. She always had open arms, open ears and an open door for her children at any age.

She was quick with a hug for the hurts and as quick to passionately defend those she loved through all circumstances. She put Christ first in her heart and helped lead her children to Him. Most would agree one always knew where he stood with mom (and God help him if it was on the wrong side of her.)

She loved playing games at family gatherings and had a particular fondness for poker. While spending most of her time as a stay-at-home mom and home maker, she wrote the book on how those jobs are done correctly, what hard work it is and most importantly, the value that time-honored profession brings to the family unit. Jane also graduated from beauty school earning a beautician's license and operated multiple shops in her homes throughout the years. She was proud to also have earned her real estate license later in life.

She met her husband, Jim Clore, of 63 years when they attended Whitesville elementary school together. After being relocated to Indianapolis in middle school and eventually graduating from Shortridge High School, she returned to Crawfordsville to find the boy from whom she had received her first kiss all those years ago as a young school girl. They were married on June 22, 1956 and remained so until his passing on Dec. 19, 2019. Through their life together, Jim bought her many houses and in loving return, she turned each one into a home.

Survivors include four children, Kirk (Mary) Clore of Crawfordsville, Shelly Leatherman of Whitestown, Derrick (Gretchen) Clore of Carmel, and Christy (Tom) Stevens of Crawfordsville; eleven grandchildren; Brandon (Jenny) Clore, Kelsey Clore, Lacey Clore, Chase Sartin, Rebecca Clouse, Janese Stevenson, Cole Clore, Kinley Clore, Maddi Stevens, Garrett Stevens and Wyatt Stevens; nine great grandchildren and three great, great grandchildren.

Friends and family may pay their respect on Sunday, Sept. 18 at the Hunt & Son Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 11a.m. – Noon with a memorial service immediately following.

**Obituary deadline** The Paper publishes obituaries daily at www.thepaper24-7.com. All obituaries must come from a funeral home. A photo may be included and should be sent as a high

resolution JPEG. Daily obituary deadline is 3 p.m. for the following day's publication.



By the time today's middle school students begin graduating from college, Indiana will have more than 1 million open jobs that will need to be filled by skilled and inspired workers. To address current and future workforce challenges, Junior Achievement of Central Indiana (JA) will host its 7th annual JA Job-Spark program, presented by Eli Lilly and Company, at the Indiana State Fairgrounds this month, to help area 8th graders explore future in-demand careers through hands-on learning experiences with local companies.

JA JobSpark is a twoday, hands-on career expo (September 20th and 21st) that will bring more than 10,900 students from 72 schools across Indianapolis to the Fairgrounds. As JA organizers open the doors to the Champions Pavilion and Blue Ribbon Pavilion next Tuesday morning, the first groups of teachers and students will be welcomed by more than 1,200 volunteers representing over 100 Indy employers - businesses, agencies and organizations from Indiana's fastest growing industry sectors.

"It's never too early to begin empowering our young people to own their future success – JA JobSpark aims to ignite enthusiasm in our students about their future careers and pathways to postsecondary success," said Jennifer Burk, CEO of JA of Central Indiana. "Thanks to an incredibly supportive business community, we can bring them face-toface with the future."

JA JobSpark is designed to "spark" a student's interest in different careers, then provide them with an understanding of the classes they will need to take in high school, a plan for post-secondary success and a clear path toward that career. The culmination of the classroom curriculum is the JA JobSpark event, where students learn about skills and equipment used daily in industries of their interests at the guidance of Hoosier professionals from local companies and corporations, including Eli Lilly and Company, IU Health, JPMorgan Chase, OneAmerica, Republic Airways and many more.

Committees of corporate, government and institutional leaders volunteer to help JA recruit and organize JA JobSpark's employer participants and hands-on activities within eight key sectors: Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics; Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources; Architecture, Engineering and Construction; Business and Finance; Government, Law and Public Service; Health and Life Sciences; Hospitality and Tourism; and Technology.

"JPMorgan Chase is excited to partner with Junior Achievement of Central Indiana, where students not only have the opportunity to learn about new industries, they have the opportunity to engage through interactive experiences," said Erin Shaw, JA of Central Indiana Board Member, market manager at J.P. Morgan Private Bank in Indianapolis. "It's imperative that we provide students the tools and resources they need to succeed, and this hands-on, real-world experience educates them on the skills they need today for the jobs of tomor-

By getting students excited about high-demand jobs as they prepare for high school, JA JobSpark is an investment in Indiana's future workforce. It's never too early to encourage students to start thinking about a post-secondary plan. For more information, visit www. jaindy.org and www. jajobspark.org.



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### **Biden Officials Visit Purdue To Bolster Semiconductor Production**

**By Casey Smith** 

State and federal officials on Tuesday descended upon Purdue University's campus as part of a national campaign to bolster the domestic manufacturing of semiconductor chips.

Gov. Eric Holcomb joined two Biden administration Cabinet secretaries — Secretary of State Antony Blinken and Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo — in West Lafayette to tour the microelectronic training facility at Purdue's Birck Nanotechnology Center.

Indiana Republican Sen. Todd Young and Purdue President Mitch Daniels also attended.

Officials discussed their push to see Indiana ramp-up its role at designing and manufacturing of semiconductor chips that are used to power the nation's smartphones, cars, computers, medical equipment, military weapons and other technology.

"What we're doing at home, and particularly what is happening here, goes directly to our standing and leadership in the world," Blinken said. The secretary of state said the initiative is primarily "about investing in ourselves," and acknowledged the U.S.



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is "in a competition with China" to regain leadership over semiconductor production.

"We can bring our country together, we can bring academia, we can bring industry, we can bring federal government, we can bring state government together in order to advance this and create the strongest possible foundation for continuing and even expanding our technological leadership," Blinken said. "That's incredibly attractive to other countries around the world who want to partner with

us.' The visit comes on the heels of Holcomb's privately-funded economic development trip last month in Taiwan and South Korea that focused largely on semiconduc-

The Republican governor's trip commenced shortly after President Joe Biden signed the federal bipartisan CHIPS and Science Act, which will see tens of billions of dollars appropriated for semiconductor manufacturing and research.

The measure was championed by Young.

"We have been preparing for years for this moment, setting the table for an opportunity to receive federal investment in these cutting edge technology projects to ensure that Indiana's long standing talent ... is recognized," Young said Tuesday at Purdue.

Expanding the semiconductor ecosystem:

A shortage of semiconductor chips during the coronavirus pandemic led to price hikes and supply-chain disruptions, including in Indiana.

Nearly 80% of global fabrication capacity for the computer chips was in Asia as of 2019, according to the Congressional Research Service. The United States used to make 40% of the world's chips, but now makes about 12%.

State and federal officials said Tuesday that the U.S. needs to pour more into research and skilled job training to help build up a qualified workforce and make areas like in Indiana more attractive to technology

companies.

They continually pointed to the CHIPS legislation as a way to make that happen.

In addition to new funding for research and development at universities, the federal dollars will help fund other workforce development, like internships and apprenticeships that often serve as a pipeline to employment for students, as well as more partnerships between community colleges and tech companies. Raimondo said that type "critical" training is on display at Purdue, helping the country to fill "thousands of high-paying jobs in the semiconductor industry all over America."

She emphasized, too, that CHIPS will help the country focus more on "lab to fab" — the accelerated process or turning semiconductor research into new designs and manufactured products. That kind of work is already taking off at Purdue, she said.

Holcomb added that Indiana is striving to overcome a skilled worker shortage by making investments in Hoosier education "very early on," including at the K-12 levels.

"We seek to further accelerate our advancements and our investments so that we can, in fact, lead the way,' Holcomb said. "We find ourselves in the state of Indiana at peak private sector employment, and that's because people are getting the skills they need ... and these aren't just jobs ... these are truly careers. Semiconductors play a central role in all of that."

Purdue at the heart of semiconductor growth:

Indiana is already poised to be at the epicenter of the semiconductor industry's growth.

Raimondo announced Tuesday that the U.S. Department of Commerce will partner with SkyWater, a major supplier of semiconductors to the Department of Defense, as well as with Google to provide semiconductor wafer designs to universities across the

The public-private federal government collaboration will help "fuel" technology research and development, she said.

"We can do exactly the kind of research that's happening here in this facility by providing these

designs for free, open source," Raimondo said. "It's about taking the research and development that starts in research at universities and bringing it through to products that power American innovation."

SkyWater, in partnership with Purdue, announced in July a \$1.8 billion plan to open a 600,000-square-foot semiconductor research and development production facility in West Lafayette.

Taiwanese semiconductor giant MediaTek announced in June that it will also partner with Purdue to create a new semiconductor design center in West Lafayette. The company — which develops chips for cell phones, TVs, and other devices — will work with Purdue on research surrounding chip de-

"We feel, profoundly, our responsibility to turn out as many high-class new talents for this state and this nation as we can, and we've grown quickly in order to do that," Daniels said of the ongoing investments in semiconductor technology at Purdue. "I do truly believe that this will be the center of semiconductor advance and production in the decades



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## **Lawsuit To Strike Down Indiana's Abortion Ban Gets A New Judge**

By Casey Smith

A critical court hearing set for next week could put a pause on Indiana's near-total abortion ban, with behind-the-scenes maneuvers over the judge and counsel in the meantime.

The new law is still set to take effect on Thursday but the Republican judge - the third tasked in the case – is a Republican who might be less inclined to toss the law.

Up for debate is a suit filed in Monroe County Circuit Court last month by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Indiana on behalf of health care providers and a pregnancy resource center.

The plaintiff organizations argue that the abortion ban "will infringe on Hoosiers' right to privacy, violate Indiana's guarantee of equal privileges and immunities, and violate the Constitution's due course of law clause through its unconstitutionally vague language."

The court challenge is based on the Indiana Constitution and maintains that the new law blocks patients from exercising an abortion-including "fundamental right to privacy," which the state constitution protects as an individual liberty. The Supreme Court of the United States in June ruled that the U.S. Constitution does not guarantee abortion rights.

Arguments are scheduled to be heard Monday afternoon in Monroe County. The judge could decide at that time whether or not to issue a preliminary injunction, which would temporarily stop the ban from being enforced. A later decision in the case could



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strike down the ban altogether.

Finding a judge for the

Republican judge Kelsey Blake Hanlon of the Owen County Circuit Court accepted an appointment as special judge last week. That was after two elected Democratic judges in neighboring, liberal-leaning Monroe County declined to take on the case earlier this month. They did not give any reasons as to why they recused themselves.

Hanlon was first elected as a judge in 2014 and is now one of three finalists that the state Judicial Nominating Commission selected in July for Gov. Eric Holcomb to consider for appointment to the state appeals court.

The GOP governor is slated to announce his decision Wednesday afternoon. The judge he selects will fill the vacancy created by the upcoming retirement of Judge Edward W. Najam Jr.

An ACLU representative said legal counsel could not comment on whether the switch to a Republican judge might affect the outcome of the

Who's handling the defense?:

Behind the scenes, tensions also appear to be flaring over the handling of the state's legal defense.

Last week, attorneys representing the Marion County Prosecutor's Office — one of several defendants in the ACLU lawsuit — appeared before the court. Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears said in July that he would not prosecute abortion-related cases if the state legislature criminalized the procedure.

Representatives from Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita's office on Monday filed a motion to strike that appearance, however. The Attorney General's filing said that "only the Indiana Attorney General has authority to represent the defendants in this case."

Mears — a Democrat - likely would have a different legal strategy than Rokita, a Republi-

"By law, the attorney general is the lawyer for the state and prosecutors are arms of the state," Rokita's office told the Indiana Capital Chronicle Tuesday in a written statement. "The Office of the Attorney General represents prosecutors on a daily basis on many cases, and this one is no different. Of course, the attorney general is leading the defense of the duly-enacted statutes."

Mears was not available for comment Tuesday, but his office is expected to file a response to the AG's motion to strike before Thursday. Hanlon could make a ruling on the defense matter before Monday.

Other legal action is still pending:

The ACLU filed a separate class action lawsuit last week that seeks to strike down the ban on

the basis that it violates Indiana's Religious Freedom Restoration Act.

The legal challenge was filed in Marion **County Superior Court** on behalf of Hoosier Jews for Choice, as well as five anonymous women who represent a variety of faiths including, Judaism, Islam, and independent spiritual belief systems.

They argue that they have "sincere religious beliefs that direct them to obtain an abortion" that would be banned "and who are at risk of needing an abortion in the future consistent with these beliefs."

Like the first lawsuit, the filing also seeks an injunction on the Indiana abortion law. An initial hearing in the case has not been set yet.

Indiana was the first state in the nation to approve abortion-restricting legislation since the high court ruling that overturned Roe v. Wade.

The ban outlaws all abortions except in the case of a fatal fetal anomaly and cases of serious health risk to the mother. One part of the law says these exceptions are up to 20 weeks but another part says they can be used anytime. Rape survivors can get an abortion up to 10 weeks post-fertilization. It also strips abortion clinics of their state medical licenses, and provides that only hospitals and hospital-owned ambulatory surgical centers can provide abortions.

announced the finalization of a planned financial investment in United Prairie LLC, an agricultural supply business operating in Illinois. In the arrangement, which has been in negotiation since Feb., Ceres Solutions now holds 20% ownership in the United Prairie partnership. The investment was made effective Sept. 1, 2022, and both organizations are looking forward to the immediate advantages. Both Ceres Solutions and United Prairie will continue to

'This action benefits both Ceres Solutions and United Prairie,' said Jeff Troike, CEO of Ceres Solutions. "We value United Prairie as a strategic partner." Curt Miller, CEO of United Prairie LLC, agreed, noting, "We look forward to utilizing the strengths gained from the Ceres investment to continue

IV. New Business A. Ricky Garcia with Garcia's Auto Sales with a request in regards to an alley located next to their business

B. Mike Jones with Mike Jones Roofing requesting to close the sidewalk at Milligan's Flowers and use two parking spaces beginning Thursday, Sept. 14

C. Right-of-Way **Acquisition Agreement** between City and HWC **Engineering for Schenck** Road project

V. Miscellaneous VI. Department Heads VII. Adjournment



Meeting Notes

**Board of** 

**Public Safety** 

The City of Crawfords-

Works and

Meeting

Sept. 14, 2022 at 10

City Building 300 E

Pike St Crawfordsville,

I. Approval of the

minutes from Aug. 31,

II. Approval of the

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III. Old Business

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#### **Ceres Solutions Investment** In United Prairie Finalized

Crawfordsville, Ind.based agricultural cooperative Ceres Solutions has operate independently in their customer-facing segments.

serving local farmers with products, services, technologies, and innovation.'

As Ceres Solutions becomes 20% owner of the operation, existing stakeholders in United Prairie reduced ownership percentages accordingly.

United Prairie is an agronomy LLC with 13 locations in Illinois. Ceres Solutions joins existing UP partners Danvers Farmers Elevator (Danvers, Illinois), Topflight Grain, Inc., (Monticello, Illinois), Premier Cooperative (Champaign, Illinois), and CHS Inc., (St. Paul, Minnesota).

Ceres Solutions is a 100% farmer-owned cooperative based in Crawfordsville, Indiana. The company delivers agronomy products and services from 36 locations across Indiana and Michigan. Ceres Solutions also offers energy and animal nutrition products and services to farm, home and commercial businesses.

For more information about each organization, visit ceres.coop and unitedprairie.com

#### Why You Should Plan Ahead This Heating Season (StatePoint) Between renewable, clean-burn-

the Russian invasion of Ukraine and sky-high oil and gas prices, a significant pellet fuel supply shortage is likely this winter season. Industry experts say you should plan ahead and secure your fuel now for the cold winter months. The good news is that, currently, there is plenty of supply to stock up.

As Tim Portz, executive director of the Pellet Fuels Institute explains, Russia is the second largest producer of wood pellets globally, supplying more than 2 million tons to global markets in 2020. But sanctions and restrictions due to the invasion of Ukraine have required U.S. pellet producers to fill the gap.

What's more, the sticker shock Americans may

experience this winter when reviewing their energy bills will likely have many switching to pellet heating in search of a better deal, and those with multiple heating options may start opting for pellets, putting extra demand on potentially short supplies.

"Wood pellet demand fluctuates year to year, however with heating oil, natural gas, electric and propane prices at near historic highs, we could see record sales of pellets in 2022-2023," says Portz. "Consumers will need to be savvy. To ensure their annual supply is secured, they should stock up now.'

Wood pellets are used as primary or secondary space heat in more than 1 million homes nationwide. Pellets are a ing fuel made from the waste streams generated by the manufacturers of products like dimensional lumber, hardwood flooring, wood pallets and cabinetry. Although supplies are strong right now, pellet producers are highlighting the importance of keeping inventory moving through the system.

With the capacity to produce more than 1 million tons of wood pellets each year, Lignetics Group, the largest residential wood pellet manufacturing company in the United States, notes that taking advantage of the surplus while it lasts will allow producers to run at full throttle and build inventory before usage begins to outpace production in the depths

Because pellets are competitively priced nationwide, consumers who opt for this method of heating will save hundreds of dollars over the course of a winter season compared to heating oil or propane, and thousands of dollars compared to electric heat.

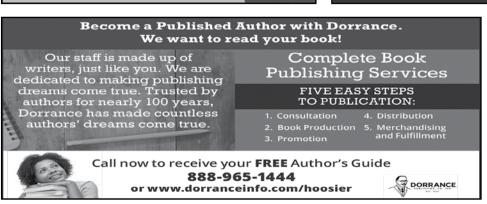
"Many have already turned to wood pellet heating and many more are expected to do so amid the current energy crisis," says Brett Jordan, CEO of Lignetics Group. "However, these consumers will need to take their wise choice a step further by being prepared. Fueling up now on your normal pellet supply will mean being able to take advantage of this sustainable and cost-efficient option all winter."













#### **O GRANTS**

The State of Indiana distributes Community Development Block Grant funds to rural communities, which assists units of local government with various community projects such as infrastructure improvement, downtown revitalization, public facilities and economic development.

"Community Development Block Grant funding can be transformational in improving the quality of life in rural towns and cities," said OCRA Executive Director Denny Spinner. "Over 20 Hoosier communities will now have nearly \$13 million in financial support to carry out projects for public facilities, blight clearance and water infrastructure."

The Public Facilities
Program creates and expands community facilities that enhance the lives of residents in numerous ways. Eligible projects include fire stations, community facilities, libraries, museums, community centers and performance spaces that open doors to knowledge and ideas, culture and enjoyment.

Projects receiving
Public Facilities Program
grant funding include:

The Town of Brookston is awarded \$500,000 for the construction of a new fire station. The new building is approximately 7,500 square feet. The building will include six pull-through bays, shower/decontamination areas, a designated room for equipment storage and a second level mezzanine to be utilized for additional training and storage space. The site will also include parking and an access drive along South

The Blight Clearance Program strives to encourage Indiana communities with blighted properties to focus on long-term community development and revitalization through improving From Page A1

quality of place, generating jobs and spurring economic revitalization. Eligible projects to receive grant funding through BCP are deteriorated or abandoned downtown buildings or vacant and unusable industrial sites.

Projects receiving
Blight Clearance Program
grant funding include:

The Town of Versailles is awarded \$358,600 to clear a blighted former gas station known as the Raider Gas property. This project will include the acquisition and demolition of the existing building, as well as demolition of the driveway and concrete parking areas. Additionally, the project will include the removal and disposal of four underground tanks, removal of contaminated soils from the tanks, backfill, and environmental testing and reporting to provide a safer and more sanitary environment for residents.

The Stormwater Improvement Program strives to reduce flooding, cut stormwater treatment and energy costs, protect rivers, lakes and vital landscapes, and generate jobs to spur economic revitalization. Types of activities eligible for this grant funding include stormwater improvements, as well as demolition and/or clearance.

Projects receiving Stormwater Improvement Program grant funding include:

The Town of Cicero is awarded \$455,440 for improvements to the town's stormwater system in the Brinton Street area. The project will consist of cleaning and lining 1,380 feet of stormwater mains, rehabilitation to six manholes and four new cut connections to help prevent flooding.

The City of Dunkirk is awarded \$600,000 to reduce the flooding of neighborhoods located in the southeast portion of

the city. The proposed project consists of two new stormwater detention ponds at Broad Street and A Street in the City of Dunkirk. The project also includes the replacement of a portion of Dunkirk's existing gravity storm sewer system to accommodate storm water released from the new ponds.

Newton County is awarded \$500,000 to address drainage issues affecting The Plaines subdivision. In addition to new drainage pipe installation, the project also includes reconstruction of the existing regulated drain flowing from 300 North southwesterly to an existing culvert under US Highway 41, and then to an intersection with Beaver Lake Ditch.

The City of Brazil is awarded \$600,000 to rehabilitate and extend the drainage system in the areas of Lenox Street, Murphy Avenue, Epworth, Pine, Beech, Sycamore and Hendrix Streets to address flooding and inflow/infiltration into the wastewater system.

The goals of the Wastewater/Drinking Water Program are to protect the health and environment, reduce utility rates for low-to-moderate income communities and improve rural infrastructure to enable long-term economic growth. Eligible Wastewater/Drinking Water Program projects include many aspects of wastewater improvements and drinking water system improvements.

Projects receiving Wastewater/Drinking Water Program grant funding include:

The Town of Modoc is awarded \$700,000 to rehabilitate the existing wastewater treatment plant and the town's main lift station. The project will also include extensive collections system upgrades and will bring all

components of the system up to code, while maintaining their current rated treatment capacity.

The Town of Swayzee is awarded \$700,000 for improvements to their wastewater treatment plant. The project will include an increase in capacity of the wastewater treatment plant and process improvements, which include conversion to an oxidation ditch, new headworks, two new clarifiers, UV disinfection, and other related improvements will help lead

to an increase in capacity. The Town of Roachdale is awarded \$700,000 to make improvements to the wastewater system. This project will install an equalization basin, rehabilitate manholes, reline wastewater mains and make structural improvements to a beam at the wastewater treatment plant.

The Town of Lynn is awarded \$700,000 to make necessary improvements to its water utility system. This project consists of installing new water lines, hydrants, valves and building a new elevated water tower.

The City of Martinsville is awarded \$700,000 to rehabilitate several sanitary sewer pipes in the wastewater collection system in need of re-lining to alleviate current infiltration problems as well as to extend the life of the pipes. This work will greatly improve the function of the sanitary system in the areas of interest and prevent impending issues that will impact the local residents.

The Town of Goodland is awarded \$700,000 to update the current lagoon system with sand filters and UV disinfection system. This will allow for year-round discharge and increased control of the lagoon system. The town will also install a lift station. This addition

will relieve the strain of the town's other main lift station by taking 1/3 of the town off the aging existing lift station.

The Town of Osgood is awarded \$581,481 to replace a water main by direct drilling and modifying the existing clearwell at the water treatment plant. This will result in the plant being able to produce treated water.

The Town of St. Paul is awarded \$697,000 to demolish the 60,000-gallon elevated water storage tank, rehabilitate the 100,000-gallon storage tank, replace existing supply well No. 1 and replace the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system. Additionally, the project will rehabilitate the water treatment plant, replace customer water meters and install ten hydrants and main line valves. These improvements will result in the system operating efficiently, and will reduce water loss and safety issues at the water plant and water tanks.

The Town of Medaryville is awarded \$700,000 for upgrades to the wastewater system. The improvements include rehabilitating three lift stations, backup power for three lift stations, wastewater treatment plant power upgrades and replacing a culvert on the wastewater treatment plant drive.

The Town of West Lebanon is awarded \$700,000 for wastewater treatment improvements, including converting the existing facultative lagoon to an aerated lagoon. The project also includes collection system improvements, such as raising, replacing and resealing manhole castings.

The Town of Marengo is awarded \$700,000 to improve the health and safety of the residents on their wastewater system.

This infrastructure project will see improvements at five locations in town including construction of a backup clarifier at the treatment plant, as well as upgrades at the four pump stations in town.

The Town of Arcadia is awarded \$577,800 to upgrade the town's drinking water system. The drinking water project includes a new water tower, updates to two wells, new water mains and water main replacement with removal of lead containing pipes. The project also includes Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system improvements and new fire hydrants to increase fire protection. This project will provide the quality and quantity of water needed to keep Arcadia thriving with an environmentally safe water supply.

The Town of Hebron is awarded \$423,500 for wastewater collection system improvements. These improvements will reduce the inflow and filtration through the rehabilitation of existing sanitary sewers and manholes.

The Town of Lizton is awarded \$700,000 for improvements to the town's wastewater treatment plant and collection system. The project will make improvements to selected portions of the collection system to reduce inflow and filtration. Additionally, the project will provide the town with adequate capacity, increasing both reliability and efficiency in the wastewater system.

Funding for OCRA's CDBG programs originates from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant program and is administered for the State of Indiana by OCRA. For more information, visit in.gov/ocra/cdbg.

#### **U** KAREN

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in the Crawfordsville Weekly Journal chastising the women of Pawnee who would not help their neighbor out of his trouble. "Benjamin Dickerson lives in that locality with his boys and one little girl to help him cook his meals (Alice would have been about 14). The other day when he went to thresh his wheat he had to go elsewhere to get his help." Luckily a Mrs. Herrel and Mrs. Willet Dickerson helped daughter Alice to get Dad through the threshing season. Alice (also died young of tb in March 1923) married John Chenault and had three children: Ernest, Maurice and a daughter named for mother, Mary E all mainly remaining here. George Beatty Dickerson (born 1885) remained here as well but lived briefly in Spink County, North Dakota, returning here where he worked for quite awhile at Crabbs, Reynolds and passed away Oct 26, 1949 when he was township assessor. In his obituary (closest I've gotten yet) it states that his mother died when he was three so Mary Ellen Himes Dickerson died sometime likely in 1888, quite some time before I had it figured. Most of this family are buried in the Masonic Cemetery (Oak Hill South Grant). William Wallace Dickerson was 85 at his death, having been a carpenter in the Crawfordsville area for many years (died Dec 16, 1958). His wife, May was quite a

number of years younger

son, Wilber Howard. John

work in auto sales and for

the railroad, moved with

his wife Alta Mills and

children, Clyde, Arthur

Eugene, Neal, Dorothea

and Alberta to the Lapel,

and he helped raise her

Arthur Dickerson did

Madison County area where he is buried in Brookside Cemetery.

So, after Catherine Linn Himes passed away, Jacob married Catherine Kessler (11 Jan 1855) daughter of Benjamin Franklin and Elizabeth Graybill Kessler, more Botetourt County, Virginians. Catherine left a widow for over 40 years, Jacob passing 22 May 1876 (buried Brethren Cemetery - see photo by M&K Fine from FindAGrave). He is buried with his 2nd wife; however, on FindAGrave, he had another stone for him alone leaning against the nicer stone for he and Catherine. Bit odd but better to have two vs. one any day!

At least two of Jacob and Catherine K's children passed away in infancy, Samuel W. and Emma Elizabeth. John F. Himes was the oldest, having been born eleven months after their marriage 16 Nov 1855 died 14 June 1933 of carcinoma of the kidney, sick about six months, married Lizzie Frame (1858-1936), their son Mark not living a long time after their deaths 1892-1945 having married Martha Leonard and their son, Herman Leonard (wife Lucretia Hauk) was an impressive Ladoga HS graduate, having been the director of the MoCo Chamber of Commerce, co-owner of Wolf-Himes, a fertilizer company and having worked at the Veterans Affairs Office, plus in many lodges and a WWII Army Air Corps vet. They had a son, Mark, as well.

Nathaniel Benjamin Himes also married a Lizzie (Thompson) 12 Aug 1883 in MoCo and they farmed in Scott Township. One daughter, Gertie died at age five and Ethel Emmaline married Benjamin Levi Fall having one daughter, Mildred (married Ivan Kenneth Clark from Mace – two daughters). "Ben Himes" passed away 19 Sept 1934, he and Lizzie active in the Ladoga Christian Church, he a deacon for close to 30 years. He was also involved in the K of P.

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Meda Himes was the next child, born 2 Aug 1863 died May 1924 (buried Brethren Dunkard Cemetery, Scott Twp) married Alice Luster in MoCo a few days before Christmas in 1891. They were blessed with: Ernest (died age 5), an infant, Lawrence and Ralph. Meda also passed of heart trouble and was a member of the K of P Lodge

of the K of P Lodge. Just as the Civil War wound-down, George M. Himes was born 29 May 1865. On 6 Feb 1890, he married Alice May Graybill (daughter of Samuel and Mary Arnold) and they had two boys, Lester and Chester and perhaps an infant she died with on 8 Nov 1900. Although not twins, I loved the rhyming names as Lester's wife, Zola who birthed Herman and Herbert (along with three girls Marjorie, Kathryn and Barbara). George next married Clara Oliver in April 1903 and they had Ruth and Merle.

Then to wrap-up this section of the Himes Saga, we have Perry Robert Himes born 19 Oct 1873 (died in Indianapolis 23 Jan 1939) married Mabel Estelle White (passed two months before he) on Halloween in 1900. They produced five daughters until finally Robert Himes came along. A Registered Nurse supervisor, their daughter, Audrey Roberta Himes lived to

be 88 years old, having

obtained a college degree, never marrying but helping others and leading a good life. Her slightly older sister, Norma L. (born 14 Jan 1904) did not marry until she was 50 to Manford Meek but taught school for many years and passed away at 92. Elizabeth Catherine must have been the adventurer as at age 33 she married George Pearcy in Medford, Oregon, he a farmer and Corporal in the service, she a secretary for several years with the Ben Hur Life Association. Don't believe they had children. Daughter Amy Lois passed away in Brown County at age 85 on Oct 16, 1996, widow of Joseph J. Leskovec (whom she married at age 39 in Cuyahoga, Ohio, and she was a retired US Government worker in the State Department). Edna Mabel married Gregory Clifford Fry and they were parents of two sons, Daryl and Herb. Robert White Himes was born 12 Nov 1917 in Scott Twp, was married to his wife, Frances for 65 years, was in the Army Air Corps in WWII, had a Mechanical and Agricultural Engineering degree from the University of Tenn and worked at Purdue for the Agricultural Extension. They were parents of Roger, Carolyn Warren and Richard and at his death had 13 grands and 15 greats. Would love to have known this one! In fact, the whole Jacob Himes clan!

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#### **O** COVID

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offered to patients 18 years and older. Pfizer is offered to patients who are 12 years and older. As well as vaccines for babies and young children. We have baby Moderna and baby Pfizer that range from 6 months-4 years; this is a three-dose series. While there is a pediatric Pfizer that goes from 5 years to 11 years of age.

We do vaccine clinics on Mondays and

Fridays throughout the week. Mondays we offer vaccines from 3 - 5 p.m., and Fridays from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., and 1 - 3 p.m.

To make an appointment for these vaccines, you can visit https://www.in.gov/localhealth/montgomerycounty/or simply call (765) 364-7255 to talk with someone about creating an appointment, and to answer any questions you may have.

