

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

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People who call our community their own.



Shaun Jett and JT Abbott smiled for our roving photographer on Veterans Day at the parade in downtown Crawfordsville. Thank you for your smiles!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Linden Depot Museum will be open from Nov. 25 through Jan. 1 on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. The complex is a winter wonderland with 12 lighted Christmas trees outside and six inside. The staff has worked hard to prepare the museum complex for an enjoyable visit. The annual ornament this year is a golden spike. The museum is located at 520 N. Main Street, Linden, IN 47955. There is no admission cost - join in for the Christmas holidays.

2 Facial hair is all the rage in Casper, WY, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. Just ask the judges at the Guinness Book of World Records, who say the citizens of that town broke the record for the longest beard chain. As the Casper Star Tribune described it, "To participate, competitors needed to sport a beard at least 8 inches in length. They stood side-by-side, one lengthy beard attached to the next until the chain stretched through the room. Once they were all clipped together, someone took a tape measure to determine the length of this cable of historic facial hair: 150 feet."

3 Some folks are already tired of seeing Christmas displays in store, several of which have been up for almost a month now. According to the travel experts at Family Destinations Guide, their survey shows that Hoosiers think Dec. 3 is the first day of the holiday season that really feels like Christmas is beginning. Indiana's neighbors, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Kentucky, all chose a day later, Dec. 4. The very first date in the survey was New Mexico's Dec. 1 and the latest was Rhode Island's Dec. 14. The survey, done by Google, has 3,000 participants.

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Art from Crawfordsville School students in grades kindergarten through 12th are featured in the exhibit

Carnegie Museum Opens Crawfordsville Schools Art Extravaganza

The Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County is pleased to announce the opening of the Crawfordsville Schools Art Extravaganza. Art from Crawfordsville School students in grades kindergarten through 12th are featured in the exhibit. Come see painting, jewelry, photography, oil pastel drawings and more! Drawing and coloring activities are also available for those inspired by the student art.

Middle school and high

school art will be on display through Thursday Dec. 15, 2022 with elementary art remaining up through Friday, Dec. 30, 2022. The museum will be closed Thursday Nov. 24 and Friday Nov. 25, re-opening Saturday Nov. 26. The Carnegie Museum is located at 222 S. Washington Street, Crawfordsville. Admission is free, and the Museum is wheelchair and stroller accessible. Open Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Bannon Saga Comes To An End



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

The next Bannon child of Michael and Nancy (Clark) is Michael C. who spent many years in the National Military Home in Grant County, Indiana. He and wife Emeline Robinson lived at times in Butler County, Ohio and Grant County, Indiana. Believe he went to the home after he became a widower sometime in the 1880s? They had three daughters (Jeanette, MaDora and Estelle) and one son, Owen Lee.

Michael, a member of the 120th Indiana Volunteer Infantry (Co B) is buried in Midletown, Butler County. Note: Several of the boys had a C. as a middle initial. Know a couple definitely were for Clark. This one could have been too. Out of eight Smith brothers who all

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 7:35 a.m.
SET: 5:29 p.m.

High/Low Temperatures
High: 34 °F
Low: 26 °F

Wacky Holiday Today
• Electronic Greeting Card Day
• National Rural Health Day

What Happened On This Day

• 1958 The Hope Diamond is donated to the Smithsonian Institution by New York diamond merchant Harry Winston

Births On This Day

• 1942 Martin Scorsese American director, producer, screenwriter and actor
• 1964 Susan Rice American diplomat and 27th US Ambassador to the UN

Deaths On This Day

• 1796 Catherine the Great Russian wife of Peter III of Russia
• 1917 Auguste Rodin French sculptor and creator of The Thinker

Volunteers For Mental Health



The mission of Volunteers for Mental Health in Montgomery County is to support healthy and happy mental health in citizens of Montgom-

ery County. VMHMC has several endeavors including the Bridge Counseling Voucher Program providing counseling vouchers to students at all Montgomery County schools, Christmas Gift Life Program providing basic foundational support items to 235 individuals in 11 Montgomery County nursing home and transitional living facilities, and the Teacher Friend Program matching volunteers with teachers in all three school corporations to support academic success and remediation in the classroom. United Way in Montgomery County funds are primarily directed toward the Christmas Gift Lift program but ensure all VMHMC programs are supported

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Live United, Montgomery County! This is a continuing series explaining a little bit about each United Way agency. And please don't forget that the annual fund drive is going on right now. This fund drive helps these agencies, which do so much good work in our county, keep their doors open. If you would be willing to donate, you can do so at www.uwmontgomery.org. Or you can mail donations to PO Box 247, Crawfordsville IN 47933. And if your employer doesn't offer the ability to donate through work, you can drop off the donation at 221 E Main St, Second floor.



Staff Picks At CDPL

As the weather turns cold, the staff at the Crawfordsville District Public Library has



Megan Taylor
Fresh off the Shelf

several book recommendations that you can grab a blanket and curl up with.

If you love getting cozy with a good mystery, Theresa recommends "A Great Deliverance" by Elizabeth George (FIC Geo), who weaves criminal procedure, psychology, Shakespearean quotes, and rich relationships in this series' debut. She also suggests "Dead Cert" by Dick

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HONEST HOOSIER

OK, I'm starting my diet today. No, I'm not trying to lose weight - just trying to open up a bit more space for next Thursday!



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THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE Churches! Listen up!

The Paper is offering any Montgomery County church a free ad to let folks know what time services are, sermon topics . . . or really, anything they want - something that is especially valuable as we all try to get people together in places of worship so that we can begin to find some common ground that unites us, instead of focusing on what divides us? If you represent a church and would like a free ad each week in our Faith section, just e-mail ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com.

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

It's important for women to know if there is breast cancer on their father's side of the family as well as their mother's.

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.



TODAY'S QUOTE

"You've got to wake up every morning with determination if you're going to go to bed with satisfaction."
George Lorimer

TODAY'S JOKE

Why are the birds flying south for the winter?
Because it beats the heck out of walking!

OBITUARIES

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The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank THERESA REMLEY for subscribing!



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Bicentennial Committee Celebrate Winners Of Postcard Contest, Nominations For Unsung Heroes



Photos courtesy of The Montgomery County Bicentennial Committee

Left, winners of the Bicentennial Postcard Contest and on the right, those nominated as Unsung Heroes of Montgomery County.

The Montgomery County Bicentennial Committee hosted a celebration on Tuesday at the Montgomery County Courthouse for winners of the Bicentennial Postcard Contest and those nominated as Unsung Heroes of Montgomery County. In addition, a Bicentennial Monument, recently completed by Allen Monument Company, was installed and dedicated on the west side of the courthouse by the flag pole.

Postcard Contest- Participants were asked to submit their favorite images of Montgomery County for the Bicentennial Postcard Contest. The committee received over 30 entries and selected the top 6 to be featured as commemorative Bicentennial postcards. They are now available at the Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County and the Montgomery County Visitor's Bureau.

Will Bernhardt II
 Two of Bernhardt's photos were selected by the committee. The first was taken at Shades State Park while hiking the Devil's Punchbowl and shows how large the punchbowl is. The second featured his son skipping rocks in Sugar Creek, with the historic Deer's Mill Covered Bridge in the background.

Sam Douma
 Douma, a young photographer, was working with a Crawfordsville health clinic to provide images of local areas and landmarks when he captured a beautiful shot of the Montgomery County Courthouse Clock Tower right before a thunderstorm.

Anne Shaw
 Shaw's selected entry featured a magnificent Montgomery County sunset in fall 2017. Shaw

took the photo as she was headed west toward Crawfordsville on State Road 47.

Denise Booher-Walker

Booher-Walker captured a serene early morning sunrise outside of New Richmond. Her image shows a rural landscape and a classic red barn amidst the fog on a country road.

Heidi Walsh

Downtown Crawfordsville at sunrise was the focus of Walsh's winning entry. Her photo was taken from her home on West Main Street looking east at downtown buildings and the Montgomery County Courthouse Clock Tower.

Unsung Heroes- The Bicentennial Committee asked for names of local "unsung heroes," who may not have received proper recognition for their contributions to the community. Nominees could be anyone, alive or deceased, who has had a positive impact in Montgomery County in the past 200 years.

Violet Bengé
Nominated by: Sue Lucas

"When the looming COVID pandemic shuttered all area restaurants in March 2020, most all locally owned restaurants were looking at a dark future. Catering contracts canceled, sales stopped cold, employees furloughed. Violet Bengé envisioned a way to help businesses survive by creating the Facebook Page, "Crawfordsville Curbside & Delivery". This thread enabled restaurants to post creative ways to continue sales - and - help those in need throughout the community. The work of administrating "CCD" surely called for constant vigilance as every post

was reviewed in order to cultivate & maintain a positive, encouraging culture - one focused on helping others. I don't recall Violet receiving any public recognition in the news or elsewhere. Her diligent work borne from love for community may well have saved some of our local businesses. For this reason, she should be recognized as a champion "unsung hero" in Montgomery County."

Christian Brown
Nominated by: Chancellor and Rachel Southard

"Christian is a military veteran which included two tours in Iraq, is the current Lieutenant at the Montgomery County Jail, and has been employed with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office for 16 years. Christian has also been a police officer for the Town of Waynetown for 13 years and continues to serve the county today. We all know what our veterans and law enforcement have to face in today's world, and many go unrecognized for their commitment to the community. Christian Brown is one of them and that is why we are nominating him as an unsung hero of Montgomery County."

Vicki Cope
Nominated by: Jamie Jackson

"Vicki works so hard for this community, by working dispatch as a 911 operator for Montgomery County. She is one of the voices you hear first in an emergency, but never get to see. Vicki is not only a blessing in my life, but she is also a blessing for our community. She is definitely an Unsung Hero."

George A. Dawson
(posthumous)
Nominated by: Dian

Moore

"George was an inspiring mathematics teacher at Crawfordsville High School for 20 years. The story was that he quit an engineering job at General Motors to come home to teach high school math. He made mathematics real and applied to the world, reminding us that 'if the question is how many, it is not wrong to count.' I went into college a math major because of Mr. Dawson."

Rebecca Degitz
Nominated by: Kitty Haffner

"Becky was one of the founding "mothers" of the Wesley Thrift Shop, active member of her church, First United Methodist, and had been a continuous volunteer in our community until her 90's. She still owns her parents' farm in Darlington.

Jack and Susie Larson
Nominated by: Janet Zielinski

"My nominees, Jack and Susie Larson, spent a combined 81 years serving the children of Montgomery County as teachers (and coach, Jack) in Crawfordsville, North Montgomery, and St. Bernard Schools. Retirement, however, didn't mean they stopped serving the community. It just enabled them to devote more time to their civic and church activities. Their days now include FISH food pantry volunteers (Susie, a board member), Meals-on-Wheels deliveries, Summer Lunch Program deliveries, Rotary Club, and Montgomery County Retired Teachers. Susie serves on the scholarship committee of Delta Kappa Gamma, a society that promotes growth in education for women, and was also a volunteer

and board member at Halfway House.

At St. Bernard Church, Jack is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and they are active on the senior luncheon and funeral dinner committees. They were the originators of the popular Mystery Dinner, which enabled church members and their friends to enjoy an evening of food and fellowship at an unknown destination every month.

Jack and Susie do what is expected of them but also do what is not expected- driving people to doctors' appointments, taking food to a sick or grieving family, showing kindness and compassion wherever it is needed. They expect nothing in return- like true Unsung Heroes of our community."

Montgomery County Dispatchers (past and present)

Nominated by: Montgomery County Bicentennial Committee

"As a committee, we chose to recognize the Montgomery County Dispatchers, past and present, for their work in our community. They are the voices that guide us in emergencies, coordinate necessary help, and provide comfort in the minutes that follow. All too often, they go unrecognized for the skillful, knowledgeable service they provide to Montgomery County."

Grayson Standeford
Nominated by: Sue Lucas

"Grayson at the south Taco Bell in Crawfordsville is arguably Montgomery County's favorite drive thru server. He is famous in the social media universe for the way he consistently goes above & beyond to brighten each customer's day. Type in "Grayson"

on Montgomery County Chatter's search to see the MANY anecdotes of how he has lifted spirits. However, Grayson's reputation remains largely unknown outside of Facebook. A great number of people would be encouraged to see this unsung hero publically recognized by community leaders for the way he has quietly made a difference in so many lives."

Alawnzo Whaley
Nominated by: Lisa Whaley

"Alawnzo helped protect underground utilities here in the community. He's Vice President of the Ben Hur Car Club an organization that's committed to our county by raising money for the community. He's been in customer service at several locations here in town and people respect him for his friendship and kindness to others.

He puts others needs above his own and gives money to people when he can, even though our family struggles. His struggle to help others makes him a great friend and it's an honor to have him as a husband, friend and community member."

Ivette de Assis-Wilson
Nominated by: Christina Hunt

"As the head of Reference at the Crawfordsville District Public Library over the past several years she has seen to it that the library is offering more inclusive programs, has a reached a greater depth of service to our public/patrons and ensured a welcoming environment to all who pass through our doors. If the library is the heart of a community than Ivette is the conductor that keeps our heart beating!"

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BBB Scam Alert: Don't Be Fooled By A Fake Package Delivery Scam

Online shopping has become more of a necessity lately rather than an occasional luxury. Naturally, this opens more opportunities for scammers to take advantage of the situation to fool consumers into giving out their personal information. This type of scheme also happens frequently during the holiday season.

How the Scam Works
A call, email or text from someone claiming to be a mail carrier or a parcel delivery service saying that they were unable to deliver a package to your home. If you don't remember ordering anything that needs to be delivered, the caller may try to convince you the package is a gift from a friend or relative. The caller may sound friendly and professional, making the scam harder to spot. The email messages also look legitimate - containing official logos and using professional language.

However, things get suspicious quickly. The caller will ask you to verify personal information or give them your credit card information to reschedule the delivery. Email messages may ask you to click on



a tracking link for your mystery package. When you click, you may download malware onto your computer that gives con artists access to any personal information and passwords. No matter the method of contact, the package doesn't exist. Sharing your personal information puts you at risk of identity theft.

How to Avoid Package Delivery Scams

Be wary of unsolicited communications. Package delivery companies will never contact customers unsolicited via telephone call or text. Instead, depending on the carrier and whether the customer signed up for notifications, an email may be sent to a secure online account.

Track all packages. Keep track of online purchases and expected deliveries. Request tracking numbers in anticipation of when they'll arrive. Having the information on hand makes it difficult for scammers to fool you with the claim of a fake package delivery.

Never give personal information to strangers. Even when the caller is friendly, always use caution when asked for personal information. Hang up, look up the official customer service number, and directly contact the company to confirm their request. Whenever possible, use the customer service contact information or chat function within the account at the company.

Never click on links in unsolicited emails. Links in emails can download malware onto your device. Don't click links in emails from people you don't know or from companies you haven't done business with or have asked to be contacted by. Be wary of official-looking emails; popular brands can easily be spoofed.

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If you've been the victim of a phishing scam like this one, report it to BBB.org/ScamTracker. Your report can help others protect themselves from similar cons.

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Meeting Notes

Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting

The City of Crawfordsville Indiana
Nov. 16, 2022 at 10 a.m.

City Building 300 E Pike St Crawfordsville, IN 47933

I. Approval of the minutes from Nov 9, 2022.

II. Approval of the claims for the week of Nov. 14, 2022

- III. Old Business
- IV. New Business
 - A. Rotary Club requesting to sell hot chocolate at the 2022 Christmas Parade
 - B. Transfer request from the Police Department's 300 series to the 400 series
 - C. Agreement between city and Archive Social for social media archiving services
 - V. Miscellaneous
 - VI. Department Heads
 - VII. Adjournment

\$3.1B Opioid Settlement Reached With Walmart

The state announced this week a \$3.1 billion tentative settlement with Walmart to resolve allegations that the company contributed to the opioid addiction crisis by failing to appropriately oversee the distribution and dispensing of opioids at its stores.

"The opioid crisis has devastated far too many Hoosier families," Attorney General Rokita said. "We continue working aggressively to hold accountable those companies whose actions have contributed to the opioid epidemic. Further, we are committed to bringing much needed funding to fight the drug crisis in Indiana."

Indiana's tentative share of the prospective settlement is approximately \$53 million. Besides the monetary settlement, the proposed



Attorney General Todd Rokita

agreement requires significant improvements in how Walmart's pharmacies handle opioids.

Rokita was one of 16 attorneys general who assisted in negotiating this proposed deal with Walmart, along with attorneys representing local governments.

This proposal comes on the heels of similar announcements by CVS Health and Walgreen Co., each of which would pay approximately \$5 billion in proposed settlements to resolve claims.

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Duke Energy Provides Aid For Customers, Communities With Nearly \$100,000 In Grants To Support Their Basic Needs



As communities continue to feel financial strain due to the rising cost of basic necessities, the Duke Energy Foundation is investing nearly \$100,000 to support nonprofits dedicated to helping those in need in Indiana.

“Our customers are feeling the weight of inflation and rising costs in nearly every aspect of their lives,” said Stan Pinegar, president of Duke Energy Indiana. “We know the prices for goods and services are straining our customers’ pocketbooks. This funding will go directly to our local community partners to provide resources for those who need it most.”

The United Way of Monroe County is one of 18 Indiana-based organizations that received grant funding through the Duke Energy Foundation. The nonprofit is using the funds to purchase \$50 gas cards that will be dispersed to more than 200 low-income households in Monroe, Brown, Lawrence and Orange counties to help offset transportation expenses. The gas cards will be distributed alongside packets of information detailing additional resources and financial support available.

“Inflationary pressures are creating greater challenges for people in need in our community,” said Randy Rogers, president and CEO of United Way of Monroe County. “With the support of partners like Duke Energy, we’re extending a helping hand to people who are facing turbulent times by helping offset their travel expenses and increasing their financial stability.”

Grants were awarded to the following organizations:

- Anchor House (Ripley County)
- Area IV Agency in Lafayette (Tippecanoe County)
- \$4,000 to purchase food and supplies and to support operational expenses at the Anchor House Family Assistance Center and Pantry and the Anchor House East Shelter
- \$11,000 to support the organization’s work to intervene in urgent or crisis situations to ensure low-income populations maintain safety and sta-

bility in their homes

- Catholic Charities in Terre Haute (Vigo County)

\$11,000 to serve seniors and low-income populations in the Wabash Valley area by providing for basic needs and helping them to remain in their homes

- Coordinated Assistance Ministries (Howard County)

\$6,000 to provide basic needs and services for people experiencing homelessness

- Ecumenical Assembly of Bartholomew County (Bartholomew County)

\$3,000 to provide basic needs and services for people experiencing homelessness

- Family Promise of Hendricks County (Hendricks County)

\$5,000 to support work to transition families experiencing homelessness into permanent housing

- Generations, Area 13 Agency on Aging & Disability (Knox County)

\$5,000 to support nutritious, home-delivered meals for local residents through Meals on Wheels

- Heart of Indiana United Way (Henry County)

\$3,000 to support their Friend-to-Friend Utility Assistance Fund, which helps struggling local families reduce their utility bills

- HOPE Family Care Center (Hamilton County)

\$1,000 to support health care clinic expenses, including lab fees, dental services, vaccinations and prescription medication assistance for uninsured and underinsured residents

- Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County (Johnson County)

\$5,000 to purchase food for residents in need

- LifeSpan Resources (Floyd County)

\$11,000 to support specialized transportation services for elderly and disabled residents through their ‘Rides to Go!’ program

- LifeTime Resources (Dearborn County)

\$2,000 to support their operations and maintain affordable services for their clients

- Mama’s Cupboard (Hamilton County)

\$1,500 to provide supplies for their food pantry

- PACE (Knox Coun-

ty)

\$6,000 to provide for basic needs for 30 low-income residents

- Samaritan Caregivers (Howard County)

\$5,000 to support the purchase of food and household items, as well as delivery expenses, for 45 low-income seniors

- Stony Creek Township (Madison County)

\$1,500 to provide assistance for disadvantaged residents

- United Way of Monroe County (Monroe County)

\$11,000 to purchase gas cards that will be dispersed to more than 200 low-income households to help offset transportation expenses

- Westfield Washington Township Trustee (Hamilton County)

\$4,000 to provide financial relief for up to 40 families who are struggling to pay their utility bills

Duke Energy continues to support its customers in need, connecting them with available assistance and offering tools and resources to help them manage their bills. Year to date, Duke Energy has contributed nearly \$450,000 in energy bill assistance through its Share the Light FundSM. The company has also extended interest-free payment plans for eligible customers to six months. Visit duke-energy.com/HereToHelp to learn more

Duke Energy Indiana

Duke Energy Indiana, a subsidiary of Duke Energy, provides about 6,300 megawatts of owned electric capacity to approximately 880,000 customers in a 23,000-square-mile service area, making it Indiana’s largest electric supplier.

Duke Energy Foundation

The Duke Energy Foundation provides philanthropic support to meet the needs of communities where Duke Energy customers live and work. The Foundation contributes more than \$2 million annually in charitable gifts to Indiana and is funded by Duke Energy shareholder dollars. More information about the Foundation and its Powerful Communities program can be found at duke-energy.com/Foundation.

Hoosiers Can Expect Higher Prices This Thanksgiving, Despite Lower Grocery Prices Than U.S. Average

It’s no secret that prices for consumer goods are on the rise this year and ingredients for the traditional Thanksgiving dinner are not immune. Indiana Farm Bureau’s annual Thanksgiving market basket survey shows that Hoosier shoppers can expect to spend approximately 14% more at the grocery store than in 2021. According to this year’s pricing survey, Hoosiers are paying an average of \$61.00 for a Thanksgiving dinner for 10 people, or \$6.10 per person. However, Indiana’s market basket price is approximately 5% lower, or 31 cents less, than the U.S. average price of \$6.41 per person.

According to the American Farm Bureau Federation, the main driver of the increase is inflation, as well as other factors including supply chain disruptions and the war in Ukraine, with other countries pulling back on exports to protect domestic supplies.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics states the food-at-home consumer price index for October 2022, a measure of price changes at the grocery store, increased 12.4% year-over-year. Additionally, the current rate of inflation for the average American was at 7.8% as of October 2022, according to the U.S. Labor Department. Many consumers have felt the weight of inflation this year, including farmers, who have been dealt a tough hand. While food prices have increased, so have input prices for the farmers growing that food.

“There is no question it’s been a difficult year for both consumers and farmers,” said Isabella Chism, INFB 2nd vice president. “Farmers are used to being nimble and agile in a job that can be very unpredictable when it comes to variables like

the weather. But this year is different. Higher input costs presented a whole new set of challenges that are costing us more across the board and trickling down to consumers.”

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s revised Food Dollar Series, farmers currently receive approximately 8% of every food marketing dollar. Using this figure, the farmer’s share of this market basket would be \$4.88. The rest goes toward food processing, packaging, transportation, wholesale and retail distribution, food service preparation and other marketing costs.

“Just like consumers, farmers are price-takers, not price-setters,” Chism said. “While food prices are increasing, the amount farmers are being paid isn’t covering the sharp increase of their input expenses.”

The total market basket price of \$61.00 includes a 16-pound turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, rolls, peas, a carrot and celery veggie tray, whole milk, cranberries, whipping cream, ingredients for pumpkin pie and miscellaneous baking items.

This year, shoppers can expect to pay approximately \$1.75 per pound for a whole turkey, or \$28.02 for a 16-pound bird, which is an 11% increase from 2021.

Contributing to short-term price increases of turkey this year are depopulations of turkey flocks caused by highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). According to Rebecca Joniskan, president of the Indiana State Poultry Association, about 50 million birds have died or been euthanized so far in 2022 as a result of HPAI. Eight million turkeys nationwide were lost, with over 171,000 in Indiana specifically. However,

in Indiana, turkey is typically produced year-round, whereas production in other states can be seasonal.

“This year has been difficult for Hoosier poultry farmers, both financially and emotionally,” said Joniskan. “But despite those losses, we are still a robust industry. There are still plenty of turkey products on the market.”

According to the survey, turkey is less expensive pound for pound than other meat options, such as ham, which is \$2.72 per pound, or \$10.88 for a 4-pound ham.

Hoosiers can expect most of the traditional Thanksgiving items to be more expensive this year; however, pie shells and cranberries are more affordable than they were in 2021. The largest percentage price increase was for cubed bread stuffing, up 64% for 14 ounces. According to the American Farm Bureau Federation, higher packaging and processing costs brought on by supply chain disruptions and ongoing volatility in the wheat market have been the major drivers behind this increase.

Only pumpkin pie filling is slightly more expensive in Indiana this year than it is nationally. All other items on the shopping list came in less than the national average, most notably peas, pie shells and whole milk.

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Francis (FIC Fra), which is set in the 1960s horse racing world and offers a likable main character who doesn't believe that the death of a fellow jockey was an accident. Brenda's mystery recommendation is "Nightwork" by bestselling author Nora Roberts (FIC Rob) -- greed, desire, obsession, revenge...it's all in a night's work. If you like Sherlock Holmes mysteries, but would like more action, Michelle says that the Barker & Llewelyn series by Will Thomas (FIC Tho) needs to be on your reading list. Love a good gothic thriller? I recommend Ruth Ware's "The Turn of the Screw" (FIC War), a modern take on Henry James' classic horror novella.

If you want to get lost in a rich historical setting, Lisa enjoyed a glimpse back to 1700s London with "The Lost Orphan" by Stacey Hall (FIC Hal), while Dellie got caught up in the Australian landscape of post-World War I in "The Woman in the Green Dress" by Tea Cooper (FIC Co).

If you are seeking a heartwarming story (with animals!) Mary has some perfect recommendations. "West with Giraffes" by Lynda Rutledge (FIC Rut) is based on the incredible true story of two giraffes who made headlines and won the hearts of depression-era Americans, and "Even the Dog Knows" by Jason Wright (FIC Wri) takes the reader on an emotional journey when a family's old beloved dog takes a final road trip to help his humans find forgiveness

and healing.

And when it's time to throw off the cozy blanket and start preparing for the holiday season, we've got you covered there, too! For some great holiday recipes, check out Michelle's recommendation, "Pioneer Woman Cooks: The New Frontier" (641.5979 Dru), which lets you step up your game the easy way. Michelle's advice? Make the Tater Breakfast Casserole on page 42 the night before, and pop it in the oven while you get dressed. For dinner, try the Instant Pot Mashed Potatoes. Save time and energy during the holiday. What about creative holiday decor and crafts? Montica recommends "Martha Stewart's Handmade Holiday Crafts" (745.5941 Mar) because this book has ideas for every holiday. Want to make something fun and cozy to wear for the winter? Check out Michelle's pick, "Knitting Magic: More Patterns from Hogwarts & Beyond" (746.432 Gra). Make a present for a cherished loved one. Currently on her needles is the Hogwarts Castle Cowl on page 55 in Gryffindor colors.

All these staff picks and more are on display through November on the first floor of the library and ready to check out with your library card. The library is open Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., Friday-Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Sunday 1 - 5 p.m.

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had Coleman for their middle name (Mom's maiden) my ancestor's middle initial was D - go figure! With that in mind, it may/may not have been Clark.

This brings us to the rest of the Bannon family that remained in our area and the last of the original children. William R. Bannon was born in March 1837 (Warren County, Ohio) and passed away and is buried in Craighead, Ark (28 Feb 1915). He married Margaret Moore in May 1861 and they managed to have two children during the war (Laura and George) then another seven thereafter (Ida Mae; Edmond; Rosa; Ona Hubert; Charles Oscar; Flora Myrtle and Michael). Margaret is also buried in the Jonesboro City Cemetery in Craighead. Not long after the war was over, this family moved to Fountain County where they were in Warren, Benton and possibly a bit here, as well, where William's main occupation was owning and operating a flour mill along with about 40 years mainly of farming in the Mill Creek area of Fountain.

Daughter Laura Anna was born 2 July 1863 probably Fountain County, never married as far as I know and passed away 22 Feb 1906, buried in Boswell according to several Ancestry trees, but I failed to see proof to that and hope this is correct as I could not find a death record or her in 1900 (which actually could have indicated a marriage but no one had that noted on a tree).

George Bannon was born in Sept 1865 (22nd likely) and died in September in 1913 in Little

Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas or at least that's what it seems. For sure, this fellow gave me several merry chases around Robison's barn so to speak. This George Bannon at least married Love Gentry in Kentucky Jan 3, 1894 and they had at least two daughters Effie and Helen but PLEASE don't take this as 100% accurate but think this is him.

Ida Mae Bannon born 22 April 1867, died in Jonesboro, Craighead, Ark. She and her husband John Francis Vanhook lived in Perysville Illinois where they had at least one son, John Rayphor VanHook born in Oct of 1900. He passed in Jan 1951 in Mobile, Alabama. Their other children included Charles, Augusta, and Freeda. Ida is buried in Jonesboro passing 29 June 1930.

Another of William's sons, Edmond followed his parents (or vice-versa) to Arkansas and died there the last day of May in 1947 having missed his 78th birthday by a couple of months. He and wife, Lavina Good had at least one child, Lennie.

Following Ed was sister Rosa Leeta Bannon born in Harveysburg, Indiana 8 Aug 1871 and passed away 31 Aug 1920 in Oxford, Benton County. She married Edwin Hiram Clark (a carpenter who was widowed 25 years after Rosa passed) and they had two sons: Perry and Glen.

Know I preach this about every saga but can't warn ya' enough - be VERY careful with believing what ya' find on any of the places to search for your family histories. One I saw in Ancestry had Ona H as

their daughter - nope, next up was son Ona Hubert and HE married Rozilla Woody in Benton County. He passed on the 4th of July in 1933 in Pine Village. At his death he had no wife or children, only two brothers living, one of which was Charles Oscar.

Charley was born 3 Sept 1877 (Fountain) and married Muriel Lindley in 1904 (Fountain). They were parents of 11 children - ready? 10 girls and then their one son, Frederick Michael died in 1907 at just five months old. A set of twins for them Bernice and Beatrice were born in Nov 1909 and lived about a year. The others grew up, making Charlie a happy gpa' several times over, including several grandsons and even a set of twins. Charley was a retired section hand.

Flora "Myrtle" was born in September 1881 and in Craighead, she married Edgar Hugh Cagle but not for long. He remarried (1915) Myrtle Lou Hood and they parented two sons but don't believe he and Flora had children. I discovered an oddity - that they lived in Atlanta, Georgia, William R. Bannon living with his daughter and Ed Cagle in 1910. Her notation said 1 child was born to her, 0 living. In a new search section of Ancestry, she is listed in Geneanet as Edgar, Jr's' mother. Edgar was born in Aug 1916 the year after his father Edgar married 2nd wife Myrtle Lou Hood, so that'd be interesting to see how that DNA came out - it shouldn't at least on the mother's side. By the way, Edgar Jr passed at age five and is buried in GA. Myrtle #2 is

living with her brother in Atlanta, is widowed and worked as a seamstress. She and Edgar's other son, Winston lives with them. Myrtle Bannon must have either remarried, possibly passed away or my guess went back to either Arkansas or Indiana. Anyone know?

Last, and a sad one - Myrtle's twin was "Michael" who married 1 Feb 1905 to Irene Reichard in Fountain County. He followed Myrtle and their father to Atlanta with his new wife. According to the Fulton & Campbell Counties, Georgia Cemetery records, 1857 to 1933, Michael passed away there Oct 24, 1907, age 26 (b. Indiana - perfect). He is listed as married and living at 58 Newport St, and a barber. Also Jonesboro Ark is noted beside it. There is no listing as to what that is for but likely where he was buried.

Thus you have the Michael and Nancy (Bannon) Clark family saga complete. Thanks so much to Don Coling for the Bannon photo of the brothers, sons of Michael and Nancy. Many of this family settled here, some remained in Ohio, while others went west. Of their eight of eleven children to grow to adulthood, four of those had nine children and totaled 53 grands for the Bannon progenerates. Interesting family, for sure!

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