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TODAY'S VERSE

1 John 4:20 If a man say, "I love God," and hateth his brother, he is a liar. For he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Bion Ruggle smiles for The Paper's roving photographer. Thanks for the smile, Bion!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Christmas Open House at the Linden Carnegie Public Library will be Dec. 6 at 5-7 p.m.! The library is located at 102 S Main St. Linden. Come take a picture and visit with Santa! There will be kid's Christmas trivia questions around the library with a chance to win a prize. Also crafts in the Community Room! Enjoy some hot apple cider and a snack of a chilly December evening. Each child may choose a FREE book donated by PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE; pick a pair of gloves off the tree; and receive a free SNOWMAN SOUP to take home!

2 Miki Sudo and her husband, Nicholas Wehry, are known as The Hungry Couple in their hometown of Tampa, FL. The Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC] explains that they earned their moniker not because they eat a lot, but because they eat so fast -- fast enough to get in the Guinness Book of World Records. Between them they recently downed 18 hot dogs for Guinness records -- she scoffed down six frankfurters in one minute and he gulped 12 wieners in three minutes. Oh yeah, Miki also holds the record for eating a whole burrito in 31.47 seconds.

3 Yesterday, Congressman Jim Baird (IN, 04) released the following statement after the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) denied Ag groups' petition for exemption: "For the last two years, our farmers and ranchers have endured supply chain disruptions and soaring inflation rates driving up costs, yet the FMCSA's decision to ignore our producers by denying this commonsense petition to exempt truck drivers transporting agricultural commodities from federal mandates limiting the hours a driver can be on the job will only make their work more difficult," said Congressman Baird. "Transporting livestock and other agricultural commodities is a challenging task that requires flexibility; we simply cannot apply a one-size-fits-all policy to an area that necessitates a more nuanced approach."



Photo courtesy of Montgomery County Community Foundation

Since 1991, over \$26 million in grants and scholarships has been awarded to agencies and students right here in Montgomery County.

Grants Awarded To Local Nonprofits

Montgomery County Community Foundation (MCCF) gathered Tuesday afternoon to award grant checks to 14 grant recipients in the second and final grant cycle of 2022. MCCF Chief Executive Officer, Kelly Taylor welcomed everyone and thanked the nonprofit leaders for the work they do in our community. Fund owners in attendance were also thanked

and recognized, for without fund owners, the grants would not be possible. Listed by Area of Interest, the following grants were awarded:
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
Fuzzy Bear Preschool and Daycare, \$23,410 - Striving to create a safe and healthy building for children and staff, the funds will be used for a variety

of building improvements such as new staff restroom upstairs, a screened in porch, painting, new ceiling fans, and more.
New Beginnings Child Care, \$80,080 - This award will provide transition support as they move from being a ministry affiliated with a church, to a nonprofit entity of

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Henry ? Along With Martha And Joanne



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

Okay, not saying there wasn't a Henry as the first child of Dennis and Margaret Line Ball, but after (in Ancestry alone I checked 109 Family Trees and many in two other sources) with Henry in them and finding nary a record (well, okay one but that Henry was not the right one with a different father and grand) to prove him being one, thus there isn't much to read on him here. Would say he could have been as their first proven child you'll read about today was born just shy of three years after their marriage, thus

leaving a perfect spot for dear Henry, but no proof. Even in a local history with a list of brothers and sisters there is no mention of a Henry. Also, Henry may have died young and a tombstone that old for an infant could easily be gone today especially since the parents moved to MoCo and wouldn't have been in Butler, Ohio to care for it. Thus, Henry remains a big question mark ? So, that brings us to the oldest of the six daughters and

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The Recovery Coalition



The Recovery Coalition was formed by recovering addicts, probation officers, a judge, and a social worker to bring together the recovery community in Montgomery County and to foster recovery for those still struggling with addiction. The Recovery Coalition created the Recovery Recreation Center to promote sobriety, community, fellow-

ship, and growth for those in recovery. United Way in Montgomery County funds are used to pay the rent for the Recovery Recreation Center. Without this building, the Recovery Coalition would not have a place to host critical meetings or events for the recovery community and those seeking a better way of life.

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.



HONEST HOOSIER

Welcome to December - a merry month that celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ, the arrival of Santa Claus and one more month closer to spring!



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Men who swim for exercise have lower mortality rates than walkers and runners.
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.



OBITUARIES

None

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



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Want To Go?
Linden Depot Museum will be open now 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.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree: the presence of a happy family all wrapped up in each other."
Burton Hills

TODAY'S JOKE

What says Oh Oh Oh? Santa walking backward!

The Daily Almanac



Sunrise/Sunset:
RISE: 7:50 a.m.
SET: 5:22 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures:
High: 38 °F
Low: 24 °F



Today is...:

- Civil Air Patrol Day
- National Pie Day



What Happened On This Day:

- 1865 Shaw University, the first historically black university in the southern United States, is founded in Raleigh, NC
- 1969 Vietnam War: The first draft lottery in the United States is held since World War II



Births On This Day:

- 1935 Woody Allen American screenwriter, director and actor
- 1970 Sarah Silverman American comedian, actress and singer

Deaths On This Day:

- 1825 Alexander I of Russia
- 1973 David Ben-Gurion Israeli politician and 1st Prime Minister of Israel

WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

24/38 SOME SUN, CHILLY	30/50 CLOUDY & WINDY SHOWERS	41/38 BACK TO CHILLY	25/40 SUN & CLOUDS	25/45 LATE DAY RAIN	40/48 BOGGY AND BREEZY	24/40 SUN & CLOUDS
THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED

OBITUARIES

Steven Daniel Livingston

Sept. 10, 1954 - Nov. 24, 2022

Steven Daniel Livingston, age 68 of Waynetown, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 24, 2022 at home.

He was born in Crawfordsville on Sept. 10, 1954 to the late Lester Eugene Livingston and Maralaine Lucille (Hancock) Davis.

He attended South Montgomery High School before enlisting and proudly serving his country in the United States Army. Throughout the years he was a truck driver with his dad, worked at Impex, Banjo, and Wabash National before retiring. He enjoyed deer hunting, fishing, muscle cars, riding his motorcycle, and watching Duck Dynasty and Mash.

Survivors include his daughter, Heather; two siblings, Karen (Berny) Fitzgerald and Wanda Hutchison; and grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two step-fathers, Bill Bonebrake and Don Davis.

Cremation was chosen with a visitation at Sanders Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S Washington St in Crawfordsville on Saturday, Dec. 10, 2022 from 3 p.m. till the time of the memorial service at 5 p.m., with Brenda Patterson officiating and military honors by the United States Army and Legion Post 72 Honor Guard. The service will be live-streamed and recorded which can be viewed on his obituary page at www.sandersfuneralcare.com. Burial of cremains will be at a later date at Hudson Hill Cemetery near Spencer, Indiana.

Sanders Funeral Care entrusted with care. Share memories and condolences online at www.sandersfuneralcare.com.

Arthur 'Doc' Pendleton

Nov. 29, 2022

Arthur 'Doc' Pendleton age 77 of New Richmond, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2022 in his home. Arrangements are incomplete at Family and Friends Funeral Home of Wingate.



Indiana Department Of Revenue Reminds Nonprofits About Upcoming Tax Changes

The Indiana Department of Revenue (DOR) wants to remind nonprofit organizations about changes to how they file their annual report with the agency and how they will access sales tax exemption certificates beginning next year.

Earlier this year, Indiana General Assembly passed new legislation revising the filing frequency for Nonprofit Organization's Annual Reports from annually to every five years.

After 2022, the due date for the new Form NP-20R, Nonprofit Organization's Report, is based on the last two digits of the organization's federal employer identification number (FEIN). Form NP-20R will be due on:

- May 15, 2024, if the organization does not have a FEIN or if the organization's FEIN ends in 00 through 24.
- May 15, 2025, if the

organization's FEIN ends in 25 through 49.

- May 15, 2026, if the organization's FEIN ends in 50 through 74.
- May 15, 2027, if the organization's FEIN ends in 75 through 99.

After the date shown above, nonprofit organizations must file Form NP-20R by May 15 every fifth year.

Organizations will need to file a Nonprofit Organization's Annual Report for tax year 2021 in 2022 to qualify for the new filing frequency. This also applies to fiscal year filers whose tax years end before Aug. 1, 2022.

Note: Organizations will not need to file Form NP-20 in 2023 for the 2022 calendar year. In addition, fiscal year filers who file Form NP-20 for a fiscal year ending after July 31, 2022, will not need to file an NP-20 during the 2023 calendar year.

Nonprofits will still need to file Form IT-20NP, Indiana's Nonprofit Organization Unrelated Business Income Tax Return, for each year in which the organization has unrelated business income (as defined under Internal Revenue Code Section 513) of \$1,000 or more.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2023, nonprofit organizations should no longer use Indiana General Sales Tax Exemption Certificate (Form ST-105). Nonprofits will be required to utilize Form NP-1, Nonprofit Sales Tax Exemption Certificates. These forms will be available only through DOR's e-services portal, INTIME.

Nonprofit organizations not currently registered for the portal will need to register on INTIME to create and access their exemption certificates as of Jan. 1. Instructions on creating

an INTIME logon are available in the INTIME User Guide, available at intime.dor.in.gov.

DOR also reminds nonprofit organizations about the repeal of the "30-day rule" for fundraisers. Until July 1, 2022, qualifying fundraisers lasting less than 30 days were exempt from sales tax. Effective July 1, 2022, this rule was repealed and replaced with a different threshold. Once sales by a nonprofit organization reaches \$20,000, the organization is now required to collect state gross retail tax on sales for the remainder of the calendar year. The new rule applies to all units operating under the organization's nonprofit registration with DOR.

For more information, see the Nonprofit Tax Forms page or Sales Tax Information Bulletin #10 on DOR's website, dor.in.gov.

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States Attack Weaponized Wokeness

A multistate effort is under way to stop a Pennsylvania-based investment management company from imposing woke ideologies upon the business models of utility companies, potentially causing harm to investors and consumers.

"Once again, we're fighting the dangerous trend toward investment strategies that are designed not to maximize financial returns but rather to impose leftist social and economic agendas that otherwise could not win approval at the ballot box," Indiana Attorney General Rokita said.

This latest case involves a move by The Vanguard Group Inc. to seek renewal of a blanket authorization for acquisitions of publicly traded utilities. When the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission granted that authorization in 2019, however, it did so on assurances from Vanguard that it would refrain from investing "for the purpose of managing" utility companies.

Vanguard also guaranteed that it would not



Attorney General Todd Rokita

seek to "exercise any control over the day-to-day management" of utility companies nor take any action "affecting the prices at which power is transmitted or sold."

Now, Vanguard's own public commitments and other statements have at the very least created the appearance that Vanguard has breached its promises to the commission by engaging in environmental activism and using its financial influence to manipulate the activities of the utility companies in its portfolio.

Vanguard has committed itself to the Net Zero Asset Managers Initiative and other climate-based alliances to get to net zero emissions. Given

such activism, Vanguard cannot possibly have refrained from interfering with or exercising some measure of control or influence over these coal- and gas-powered energy companies.

"So-called 'ESG investing' purports to be concerned with environmental, social, and governance issues," Rokita said. "The advocates of this approach claim their activism does not interfere with making money, but they are deliberately trying to mislead the public about their ploys to subvert the will of the people for the sake of 'progressive' politics."

Along with Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes, Rokita is leading a multistate effort to intervene in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's handling of this case.

"A hearing in this matter," Rokita said, "is warranted to determine the extent to which Vanguard has violated the 2019 authorization and whether granting Vanguard a blanket authorization is contrary to the public interest."

Meeting Notes

Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting

The City of Crawfordsville Indiana
Nov. 30, 2022 at 10 a.m.
City Building 300 E Pike St Crawfordsville, IN 47933
I. Approval of the minutes from Nov. 23, 2022.
II. Approval of the

claims for the week of Nov. 28, 2022
III. Old Business
IV. New Business
A. 2023 Trash Service Budget
B. 2023 Central Garage Budget
C. 2023 Storm Water Budget
D. 2023 Wastewater Budget
E. Agreement with HWC Engineering for land acquisition services

related to Schenck Road Project
F. Agreement between City and VisionThree
G. Agreement between City and Varun Koneru MD for Medical Director services with the Crawfordsville Fire Department
H. Open received bids for the Construction of the Frances Wooden Park Project
V. Department Heads
VI. Adjournment

Meeting Notes

Montgomery County Board of Commissioners Meeting

Monday, Nov. 28, 2022 at 8 a.m.
1580 Constitution Row - Room E109
Crawfordsville, IN 47933
CALL TO ORDER:
BOARD PRESIDENT JOHN E. FREY
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER
CONSENT AGENDA
Approval of Claims: Nov. 14, 2022 to Nov.

28, 2022
Accounts Payable: \$
Payroll: \$
Approve Minutes: Nov. 14, 2022
Ratification of Lease Termination Agreement - THIS ONE 2, LLC
Diligent Advisory Group Proposal - CCTV Software 1-year subscriptions
2022 Internal Controls Annual Report
Authority to Order (2) Trucks for Lease from Enterprise Fleet Management
NEW BUSINESS
Certified Road Miles - Highway Department

MOU - City of Crawfordsville, Houston Companies, Inc. & Montgomery County re: Constitution Row
Award Bid, Authorization to Proceed & Award Contract - Constitution Row
Appointment to Linden Carnegie Public Library Board
Authorization for Drug Free Montgomery County to Develop a Plan for the Use of Funds from the Opioid Settlement
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Same-Sex Marriage Protected Under Bill Passed By U.S. Senate With GOP Support

By Jennifer Shutt

The U.S. Senate approved legislation Tuesday that would enshrine protections for same-sex and interracial marriages, codifying many of the rights that would disappear if the U.S. Supreme Court were to overturn those landmark decisions the way it overturned the nationwide right to an abortion this summer.

The 61-36 bipartisan vote sends the bill back to the U.S. House, where lawmakers expect to give it their final stamp of approval soon, before sending it to President Joe Biden. The House voted 267-157 in July to approve the original bill, but must vote again after a bipartisan group of senators added in religious liberty protections.

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, a New York Democrat, wore the same tie Tuesday he wore to his daughter's wedding and recounted a conversation he had with his daughter and her wife following the death of former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

"I remember that awful feeling around the dinner table and I distinctly remember the question my daughter and her wife asked, 'Could our right to marry be undone?'" Schumer said.

"It's a scary, but necessary acknowledgment that despite all the progress we've made, the constitutional right to same-sex marriage is not even a decade old and exists only by the virtue of a very narrow 5-4 Supreme Court decision," Schumer continued. "And we all know the court has changed since that decision."

Retiring Missouri Sen. Roy Blunt, retiring North Carolina Sen. Richard Burr, West Virginia's Shelley Moore Capito, Maine's Susan Collins, Iowa's Joni Ernst, Wyoming's Cynthia Lummis, Alaska's Lisa Murkowski, retiring Ohio Sen. Rob Portman, Utah's Mitt Romney, Alaska's Dan Sullivan, North Carolina Sen. Thom Tillis and Indiana's Todd Young voted for the bill.

Young wrote in a guest column Tuesday that "dignity and respect are not a zero-sum proposition. We can and should strive to ensure all citizens enjoy them in equal measure. The Respect for Marriage Act moves us closer to that ideal."

He also argued there is clear language in the bill that protects religious freedom — "These religious liberty protections are born of the First Amendment, and legal experts from across the faith spectrum have stated that activist judges will not be able to undo them. If I had any doubt about this, I would be voting no."

Indiana GOP Sen. Mike Braun voted against the bill and his office did not respond to a request for a statement.

Repeal of Defense of Marriage Act

The legislation would repeal the 1996 law known as the Defense of Marriage Act that defined marriage as the union of one man and one woman. The federal law also allowed states to ignore same-sex unions legally performed in other states.

It would ensure that if the U.S. Supreme Court were to overturn the cases that have legalized same-sex and interracial marriages, the federal government would continue to recognize those unions, a step necessary for hundreds of federal benefits including Social Security and veterans benefits.

The bill, known as the Respect for Marriage Act, would require states to recognize same-sex and interracial marriages performed in states that keep the unions legal, though it wouldn't require states to keep same-sex or interracial marriages legal if the U.S. Supreme Court were to overturn those cases.

Cathryn Oakley, Human Rights Campaign state legislative director and senior counsel, said during a briefing in mid-November the bill is a "very important" part of the legislation LGBTQ rights advocates have been pressing Congress to pass for years.

She also sought to

clarify misconceptions the legislation will allow any two people to enter a same-sex or interracial marriage anywhere in the country, should the U.S. Supreme Court overturn those cases.

"Congress has done everything in this bill that it can responsibly do," Oakley said. "What they do not have the ability to responsibly do, is to tell states that they must marry two people of the same sex."

Oakley said U.S. lawmakers "are taking the maximum responsible action that they can take at this point" under the powers they have within the U.S. Constitution.

State bans
More than 30 states have constitutional amendments, state laws, or both that ban same-sex marriages, according to the Congressional Research Service.

Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia and Wisconsin are among the states with state constitutional amendments that would prohibit same-sex marriages.

Indiana and Pennsylvania are among the states with laws that would prohibit same-sex marriages. The Iowa Supreme Court overturned Iowa's ban in April 2009, effectively legalizing same-sex marriage.

Those laws and state constitutional provisions are currently unenforceable under the U.S. Supreme Court's 2015 ruling that established same-sex marriages as protected under the Constitution. But they could go into effect again were the justices to overturn that case. States that still have laws banning interracial marriages on the books cannot enforce those laws under the 1967 Loving v. Virginia ruling.

Missouri Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft criticized his state's senior senator, Blunt, for voting for the legislation, saying he was "flabbergasted" by the move and noting

that the state's constitutional amendment bars the unions.

Ashcroft said during an interview with The Missouri Independent he tried to call Blunt to lobby him in opposition to the bill but had been unable to reach him, so he sent a letter instead.

The legislation the U.S. Senate approved Tuesday was spurred by the U.S. Supreme Court's decision this summer to overturn the two cases that kept abortion legal nationwide, protected as a constitutional right, for nearly half a century.

Justice Clarence Thomas sparked the concern when he wrote in his concurring opinion in the abortion case the justices "should reconsider all of this Court's substantive due process precedents" that included similar legal reasoning as the abortion cases.

Thomas listed Griswold v. Connecticut, the case that established married couples have a constitutional right to decide if and how to use birth control; Obergefell v. Hodges, the 2015 case that legalized same-sex marriage; and Lawrence v. Texas, which overturned state anti-sodomy laws, as three cases he specifically thought the court should revisit.

LGBTQ rights advocates immediately called on Congress to ensure that any future Supreme Court rulings wouldn't completely erode marriage rights.

Republicans on board The U.S. House approved the legislation in July and the U.S. Senate was on track to vote on the marriage equality bill before the November midterm elections, but Schumer held off at the request of a bipartisan group of senators who added the religious liberty language and who were working to get at least 10 Republicans on board to pass the chamber's legislative filibuster.

Sens. Tammy Baldwin, a Wisconsin Democrat; Collins; Portman; Kyrsten Sinema, an Arizona Democrat; and Tillis wrote at the time they were "confident

that when our legislation comes to the Senate floor for a vote, we will have the bipartisan support to pass the bill."

The religious liberty protections now in the bill would protect "all religious liberty and conscience protections available under the Constitution or Federal law," according to a summary of the changes.

The legislation would insulate religious organizations, certain religious nonprofits and their employees from being required "to provide services, accommodations, advantages, facilities, goods, or privileges for the solemnization or celebration of a marriage."

It would prevent changes to tax-exempt status since "a church, university, or other nonprofit's eligibility for tax-exempt status is unrelated to marriage, so its status would not be affected by this legislation," according to the summary.

The bill passed its first procedural vote in the Senate in mid-November when 12 GOP senators joined Democrats to move past the legislative filibuster.

GOP amendments
Before the Senate approved the bill Tuesday, lawmakers voted down three Republican amendments.

Senators voted 48-49 to reject a proposal from Utah Sen. Mike Lee that would have barred the federal government from taking "any discriminatory action," like eliminating a tax benefit, for any person who "speaks, or acts, in accordance with a sincerely held religious belief, or moral conviction, that marriage is" between one man and one woman or two individuals as recognized under federal law.

Lee argued ahead of the vote that lawmakers "would do a disservice to all Americans if we elevate the rights of one group at the expense of another."

The Senate voted 45-52 to reject a proposal from Oklahoma Sen. James Lankford that would have changed who was required to comply with the law from any per-

son acting under "color of state law" to a state, territory, or tribe.

Lankford said Tuesday that the "color of state law" language could refer to any organization that a state contracts with to perform a government function, such as private prisons, adoption agencies, foster care agencies, or homeless shelters.

Lankford's amendment would have also removed a section of the bill that would allow people "harmed" by a violation of the law to sue. Lankford said the legislation didn't define what "harmed" would mean.

Florida Sen. Marco Rubio's amendment to eliminate the section of the bill that would allow anyone "harmed by a violation" of the law to sue in a U.S. district court was rejected following a 45-52 vote.

Rubio argued in a written statement that while the legislation included language that "would protect nonprofits whose 'principal purpose' is the 'study, practice, or advancement of religion,' it would not protect other faith-based organizations."

Baldwin urged senators to reject the three amendments ahead of the vote, saying they would "upend the months of good-faith negotiations and they would disrupt our carefully crafted bipartisan compromise."

The religious liberty language added to the bill, Baldwin said, ensures protection for "religious liberties afforded under our Constitution and federal law."

"We are not pushing this legislation to make history," she said. "We are doing this to make a difference for millions upon millions of Americans."

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GRANTS

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their own. This process brings many adjustments and changes. Right-sizing the staff will allow them, the largest childcare provider in the county, to function more effectively and efficiently.

Willson preschool, Crawfordsville School Corp., \$11,000 - A preschool climbing wall will be installed in the school's gymnasium. Climbing wall activities promote gross motor development, and are associated with a greater likelihood of success in academics and in social/emotional development. It will also provide a fun indoor activity when outdoor recess isn't possible.

EDUCATION

North Montgomery School Corporation, \$16,700 - Detect, Deter, Intervene, and Educate. This is the approach the corporation is taking on vaping. Funds will be used to purchase and install vape detectors at North Montgomery Middle School. Along with preventative education, an intervention course has been developed for those found to be vaping.

Montgomery County Educational Foundation, \$25,000 - MCEF offers grants to local teachers. Teachers may apply for grants to support enrichment projects and activities that aren't otherwise funded by the school budget. Awards are made in all areas, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), the arts, speech, language, and more.

HEALTH

Crawfordsville Community School Corporation, \$10,000 - Funds will be used for the Health & Welfare of students corporation-wide who need financial assistance with expenses for eye exams, glasses, dental care, medications, and mental health assessments. Funds are also used for CPR training and supplies, and various student health education.

HISTORY, ARTS & CULTURE

Athens Arts Gallery, \$8,100 - Athens will host a National Juried Exhibition in the summer/fall of 2023. This will be their sixth Salon and third Juried National Exhibition. In an excerpt from their request, Athens states, "the experience of art is why cities are loved not just lived in. A loved city is supported by its citizens."

Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County, \$10,500 - This storytelling grant will include the nationally renowned traveling exhibit, The Amazing Castle. Additional programming, such as professional storytellers and a theater workshop will complement the exhibit.

HUMAN SERVICES

Dusk to Dawn Bereavement, \$16,145 - Education and Counseling: Building a Stronger Healthier Community is the theme for their 10th Anniversary Celebration. A variety of events geared to bereavement and mental health will take place throughout the year. Look for the calendar of events early next year.

Food Finders Food Bank, \$5,000 - According to Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap study, Montgomery County's food insecurity rate is 11.5%. Over half don't qualify for SNAP meaning they rely on the charitable food sources. These funds will help support three Mobile Food Pantries in Montgomery County in 2023.

Grace and Mercy Food Pantry, \$50,000 - Since early 2021, the number of families being served each month has doubled. These funds will be used to purchase a sprinter-type van to pick up food from their various suppliers, such as Walmart, Food Finders, and Caito's. Any excess funds will be used to buy additional food.

Women's Resource Center, \$7,000 - Funds will be used for medical services and for items for the Great Expectation's educational program. WRC provides an invaluable link to the local health care system.

YOUTH

Boys & Girls Club, \$32,500 - Twenty-two years of serving children and their families has taken a toll on the club's flooring. Funds will be used to install new LVT flooring throughout the building, except for the gymnasium and the multipurpose room.

Montgomery County 4-H, \$35,335 - 4-H building improvements and equipment will allow the facility to better accommodate educational programs for youth and for the community. Safety accommodations for the new range hood will be made and new audio visual equipment

and an ice machine will be purchased.

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KAREN

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three sons we know for sure are Dennis and Margaret's. She was Martha born 22 July 1808 in Butler County and died young 29 October 1846 and I found it so interesting that her sister, Abigail Quick died just 29 days previously.

Martha Ball married David Rusk three days after Christmas in 1827, registered in MoCo's first marriage book. Martha and David were parents of six children that I have found: Dennis (hmmm see how the Ball families use the same names over and over - someone should keep track for me and it is certainly why I question the parents so many have on their family trees); and to add to Dennis, there was Squire; Abigail; Joanne; Lucetta and Robert Rusk, only nothing was found about the latter. Well, with the rest - here we go - read below!

Dennis Rusk was 33 and married when he registered for the Civil War draft living in Cain Township in Fountain County. He passed from cardiac insufficiency (born 7 Sept 1830 died 25 Jan 1915) at age 84. He had farmed in the Waynetown and Eastern Fountain areas. He married Margaret Emza Hall who mothered his children but he also was married to Paradine Matilda Maxwell first which is where the pretty name of his daughter derived - Paradine Maxwell died 25 August 1852 and Paradine, the daughter passed 22 Oct 1881 (buried Masonic Cemetery) and they were parents of 10 children (Mary Olive; Elva; Squire Edgar; Joanna; Martha Delilah; Albert Brady; David; Willard; Paradine Matilda and Burton Dennis - finally got gpa' in there). This group mainly farmed and married into the Parker, Fowler, Gardner, Donovan and other local families.

Squire Rusk son of David and Martha (Ball) Rusk was born the 2nd of July in 1834 in Wayne Township, Montgomery and as far as I know spent all his time here as a careful, scientific based farmer, keeping in mind the pioneer practices, passing 6 Jan 1917 (very handsome man - photo on findagrave) and is buried in Waynetown Masonic. He was nearly 50 years old when he married Julia Grenard (daughter of Jesse and Isabel Thompson) in Nov 1881. Five years later, they had their one child, Vernie Edith who grew up to marry Walter Runyan giving Squire two grandsons (Byron and Elihu) whom he was able to enjoy a few years



before his death.

Abigail, as her brothers and sisters, remained in Montgomery County, born near Waynetown 5 Dec 1829 and passed at age 81 in Wingate; however, she too is buried in Waynetown Masonic. She married (23 Feb 1847) Squire Simeon Grenard and mothered eight children (marrying Johnsons, Fergusons, Osborns, Swank, Earl, Hancock and Harts). The children were: Martha; Mary Elizabeth; Squire Jefferson (died age 88); David Rusk who lived to be 102); Laura; John Douglas (who passed at 93); Nancy and Dora.

Joanne Rusk was born near Waynetown on July 24, 1836 and passed away after a fall breaking her shoulder (obit - neck according to Death Record) and probably other damage not long before her 91st birthday (17 May 1927). On Dec 12, 1869, she married William H. Biddle, both highly respected citizens, members of the Baptist Church. William, a Civil War veteran was the son of Stephen and Elizabeth Shockley Biddle. There were no children, but they were active in the church and he in the Masonic Lodge.

Lucetta Rusk blessed the others 15 Aug 1838 near Waynetown. She died the very first day of 1911 and is buried in Waynetown (Masonic with a real nifty stone). Squire George Bunnell was her husband. They farmed in Wayne Township while they raised their several children: Florence Estella married into the Fruits family; Arthur Monroe; James M.; Cosmore (who died about age 17) and Jackson.

Martha seems to have no tombstone, but David does. David married a second time after Martha's young death to Mary Munns. Thus, of Martha Ball Rusk's children to grow to adulthood, there appeared 24 grands and the list I'm sure is still going strong. The Rusks, Biddles, Bunnels, Grenards all

have been and most still are wonderful Wayne Township folks! Peace all !!

Since I still have room, let's talk about the next child as I know little about Joana, other than she married John Rusk (assumedly relation to her brother-in-law) on April Fool's Day 1827 in C'ville and was born 28 Dec 1809 passing away in Rio in Knox County, Illinois 1 Sept 1864, John buried there as well having passed almost ten years before. He had received land patents in MoCo and according to FindAGrave was from Belmont, Ohio (Rio Baptist Cemetery - photo FindAGrave by searchin4info). This set of Rusks had four children nearest I can tell, Isaiah; Sarelta; David R and Nancy Anne. Isiah married Hannah and they were parents of: Eliza; Albert; Joanna; Margaret and Nancy who died young. Sarelta married Wilson Adams and parented Rosa; Henry; Theron (died age 2); Sarah; Clyde Wilson; Ida; Elza - most lived in the Rio area. David R. was born in Wayne Twp (1834) and went to Red Deer, Alberta Canada where he died in March of 1902 and believe just one child, Leona. Nancy Anne, twin to Sarelta, born Waynetown 14 July 1837 married Marshal Heflin and died in Fonda, Iowa 1909. Parents of several children: Frank; John; Ralph; Osa; Zoa; Freddie (died age 9); Albert.

So, see ya' next week when you'll be reading the Ball Saga for Abigail who married Edwin Quick and it won't be a quick saga as they parented eight children (he had three by second wife, too). Enjoy !

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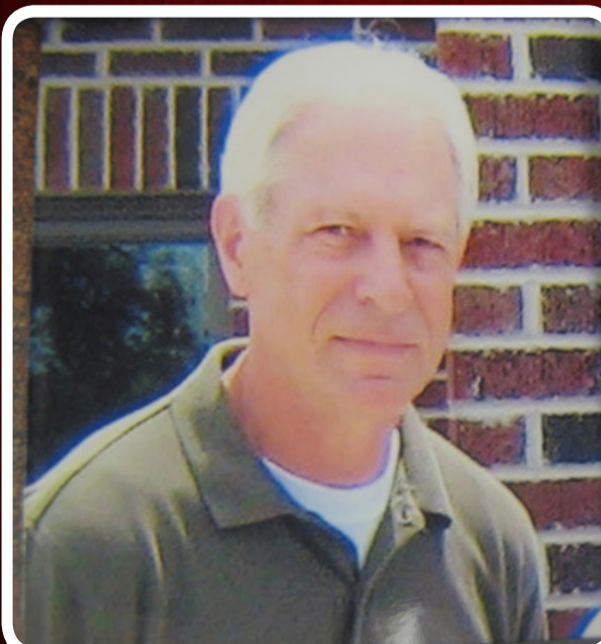
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