

40 YEAR ANNIVERSARY SALE
Celebrating 40 years of the industry's strongest carpet warranty.

ZAHN'S FLOOR COVERING
310 N. GREEN STREET • 765-364-0517

Anything Goes!
by ShawMark
shawmark.com

TODAY'S VERSE

Psalms 89:1 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Your smile might just be the next one featured in *The Paper* – all you have to do to win tickets (valued at \$15 each) is send us a selfie of you and our front page (Print or Online Edition) to ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com. The tickets are totally free, just be sure to tell us who you are, where you are from, how many tickets you would like and a little bit about yourself so we can include it if your photo is selected to publish on our front page. Then all you have to do is wait and watch. If you see your smiling face on our front page – you win!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Purdue Extension - Montgomery County is offering Dining with Diabetes again this year. A face to face offering will be held on Tuesdays, Feb. 7 - Feb. 28 from 5 - 7 p.m. Classes will be held at the same time and location each week. It is best to attend all 4 sessions. The Dining with Diabetes program is open to those with diabetes, their family members and caretakers. The series of four sessions is \$40/person and \$65/couple. Classes will be held at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds in the 4-H Building. For questions or help registering, please call Purdue Extension office at 765-364-6363 or e-mail Monica at monicanagele@purdue.edu.

2 Twenty-years ago this spry Canadian gymnast, Bruce Ives, started a birthday tradition of standing on his head to celebrate the occasion. He is 82 now and he's still at it, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. In fact, the Guinness Book of World Records has declared him to be the oldest man on the planet to perform headstands, taking the title away from the previous record holder who was a mere 75. Says Ives, "In my 60s, when my grandchildren were around in my lawn in the summertime, I just gave it a shot to get them involved in gymnastics as well. It just grew from there -- it became a custom on my birthdays."

3 Sagamore News Media is looking for talented sales people. Whether you sell by phone or in person, we want to talk with you. Hourly rates begin at \$15 per hour and only go up from there. If you have good sales skills, this might be the job you have been looking for. Sagamore News Media owns newspapers in Noblesville and Crawfordsville and feature award-winning work every day. Come be part of our team! Apply today by e-mailing resume to jobs@thepaper24-7.com.

The Paper OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY
Montgomery County's oldest locally owned independent newspaper **50¢**

CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA WWW.THEPAPER24-7.COM

Butch's Family Station Wagon Goes Airborne



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

When you first received your driver's license, did you do anything really stupid? Come on...admit it...you know you did. Like most of the boys in my class, I didn't have a car of

my own, so on dates I drove the family car. Unfortunately it was a red and white 1963 Chevy station wagon, and it didn't even have a radio. The girls will really go for that... NOT!
The car was heavy, but it did have a 327 cubic inch V-8 in it, so it had some "get-up-and-go." I decided to see what the old gal would do one afternoon when returning home from baseball practice, and I actually got it up to 90 mph before coming to my senses. Yes, yes...I know. It was crazy and stupid and against the law. But

➔ See BUTCH Page A5

Hoosier Women Artists 2023

Since 2008, the Hoosier Women Artists program has celebrated and further expanded the important role art plays in our communities by showcasing the work of talented female artists throughout the state. Artists living in Indiana who identify as female are encouraged to submit artwork for consideration to be displayed in the Statehouse office of a female elected official

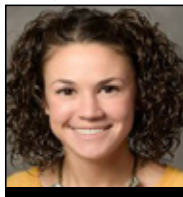
Participating Officials:
• Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch

zanne Crouch
• Secretary of Education Dr. Katie Jenner
• Auditor of State Tera Klutz
• Chief Justice Loretta Rush
In addition, First Lady Janet Holcomb also selects pieces to be displayed in the Governor's Residence each year.
This program is a partnership between the Office of Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Arts

➔ See WOMEN Page A5

4-H Tech Changemakers Expanding Opportunities

Did you know that over 24 million people in the U.S. lack high-speed internet access, and many more don't have the skills needed to take full advantage of online resources? To give you context, the amount of people in the U.S. that lack high-speed internet access is just a little bit larger than the population of Florida! In Indiana, roughly 1 in 10 residents are not able to purchase an internet plan of at least 25Mbps



ABBY MORGAN
Purdue Extension Office



download and 3Mbps upload. The combination of inadequate internet access and limited digital skills has created a digital divide, impacting future opportunities for young people and adults. Inequitable access to reliable Internet connectivity and a lack of digital skills are contributing to a growing opportunity gap in areas like education, employment, healthcare, social fulfillment and entrepreneurship, with various communities. The 4-H Tech Changemakers program helps bridge this gap and meet this need. This program trains and equips teens to bring digital

➔ See 4-H Page A5

Books, Classes And More Info On Sewing At The Library

Interest in sewing, mending or re-making clothes has become popular again. As people found joy in hand crafts during COVID, they also became aware of the pitfalls of Fast Fashion, a term referring to quickly-made, cheap clothing that is a fad and will be instantly discarded. The cheap garments fall apart or fade fast, they don't fit well and are bad for the environment, often being made in sweatshops. If you browse through Instagram and TikTok you will find various sewing influencers showing off unique fashions they created. You can purchase a pattern online and print it out immediately or order custom made fabric.



Michelle Ogden
Fresh off the Shelf

Sewing your own clothes used to be common and skills were passed down from generation to generation. I remember my grandmother used to take

➔ See SEWING Page A5

The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 8:01 a.m.
SET: 5:48 p.m.

High/Low Temperatures
High: 34 °F
Low: 31 °F

Today is...
• Camcorder Day
• Disk Jockey Day

What Happened On This Day
• 1929 The first full-length talking motion picture filmed outdoors, In Old Arizona, is released
• 1961 John F. Kennedy is inaugurated the 35th President of the U.S.

Births On This Day
• 1930 Buzz Aldrin American pilot and astronaut
• 1971 Gary Barlow English singer-songwriter, pianist and producer

Deaths On This Day
• 1993 Audrey Hepburn Belgian/English actress and singer
• 2012 Etta James American singer-songwriter

Huckstep Appointed Director Of Planning And Building Services



Megan Huckstep

Mayor Barton is pleased to announce the appointment of Megan Huckstep as director of planning and building services for the city of Crawfordsville, effective immediately.

The director of planning and building services is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the department. The position reports to the Mayor's office and works closely with the director of operations and community development.
"Megan has been a wonderful asset to the planning department for many years," said Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton. "She has the experience and knowledge needed to excel in this position, and we are very happy to have her stepping into this role for the department."
Huckstep will coordinate with other city departments

➔ See HUCKSTEP Page A5

HONEST HOOSIER

On this date in 1825, state leaders moved the capital from Corydon in southern Indiana to the central location of Indianapolis.



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Alcohol has almost twice the calories per unit weight than carbohydrates and almost as much as fat. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in *The Paper* and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION

Obituaries.....A2
Classifieds.....A3

THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE
Want To Go?

Continuing a practice he started since first taking office, Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton will once again make himself available to meet with the public. This month's meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday at The Joshua Cup at 9 a.m. The purpose is to open discussions with concerned citizens about anything to do with the city of Crawfordsville.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"To achieve great things, two things are needed; a plan, and not quite enough time."
- Leonard Bernstein

TODAY'S JOKE

Where do polar bears keep their money?
Why in a snow bank, of course!

OBITUARIES

None

The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **SCOTT DOUGLAS** for subscribing!



7 DAY FORECAST

40 DENSE FOG TO HEAVY RAIN THU	32/34 COLD, SNOW SHOWERS FRI	25/37 SUNNY AND COLD SAT	27/44 BREEZY AND WARMER SUN	39/51 BREEZY AND RAINY MON	45/51 BREEZY AND MILD TUE	38/50 RAIN CHANCE WED
---	---	---------------------------------------	--	---	--	------------------------------------

ISA Scholarship

Montgomery County Sheriff Ryan Needham announced yesterday that the Indiana Sheriffs' Association will again be awarding college scholarships to qualified high school seniors or college students who are pursuing a degree in criminal justice studies. There will be approximately 40 - \$750 scholarships awarded to qualifying students throughout the state.

The Indiana Sheriffs' Association Scholarship Fund was established for the purpose of receiving, investing and dispensing of funds to provide college scholarships to qualified students who are committed to pursuing an education and career in the law enforcement field.

To qualify for one of

these scholarships, the applicant must be an Indiana resident, be a current member of the association or a dependent child or grandchild of a current member of the association, attend an Indiana college or university, major in a law enforcement field and enroll as a full-time student (12 hours).

Applications needed to apply for the scholarships are available from your high school counselor or the sheriff's office. The scholarship application can also be downloaded from the Indiana Sheriffs' Association website: www.indianasheriffs.org. The applications must be completed and received by the Indiana Sheriffs' Association on or before April 1, 2023.

Donate Now To Keep Blood Stocked When Winter Weather Hits

As National Blood Donor Month continues this January, the American Red Cross celebrates those who give blood and platelets to help save lives especially now, as we work to ensure a stable blood supply amid the threat of icy winter weather and severe seasonal illness. Donors of all blood types - particularly type O blood donors, the most needed blood group by hospitals - and platelet donors are needed daily to meet demand.

The start of the new year is one of the most challenging times to collect enough blood products, despite the constant demand. One in 7 patients entering a hospital will need a blood transfusion - yet only 3% of the public gives blood.

Don't wait until there's a crisis to donate. To book a time to give blood, visit RedCrossBlood.org, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

In partnership with the National Football League (NFL), those who come to give blood, platelets or plasma through Jan. 31, 2023, will be automatically entered to win a trip for two to Super Bowl LVII in Arizona*, including access to day-of, in-stadium pre-game activities, tickets to the official Super Bowl Experience, round-trip airfare to Phoenix, three-night hotel accommodations (Feb. 10-13, 2023), plus a \$500 gift card for expenses.

How to donate blood Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on

any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass® to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Blood Donor App.

Amplify your impact volunteer! Another way to support the lifesaving mission of the Red Cross is to become a volunteer blood donor ambassador at Red Cross blood drives. Blood donor ambassadors help greet, check-in and thank blood donors to ensure they have a positive donation experience.

Volunteers can also serve as transportation specialists, playing a vital role in ensuring lifesaving blood products are delivered to nearby hospitals. For more information and to apply for either position, visit redcross.org/volunteertoday.

F.C. Tucker West Central Announces Listing And Sales Leaders Of December

F.C. Tucker West Central is pleased to announce their December Listing and Sales leaders. Agent Katie Viers was the December Listing leader for F.C. Tucker West Central. Katie led the way listing two homes with \$356,900 in listing volume.

Real Estate Agent Katie Viers was the November Sales leader. Katie helped 2 buyers find their dream home and sold \$526,000 in volume during the month of November. As a Crawfordsville transplant, Katie Viers knows what it takes to buy and sell a home. Katie began her career in real estate over four years ago and loves helping clients make their home in Crawfordsville.

With a degree in Psychology from Purdue, Katie previously worked at Cummins Behavioral Health. Katie and her husband Tim have three kids, ages 9, 6 and 2. In her spare time, Katie enjoys spending time with her family and friends. Katie had a record sales year in 2022 with over \$4.6 in volume.



Katie Viers

Katie is constantly educating herself on the latest trends in the marketplace so that she can find the right home for you or price your home to sell accordingly. When it's time to buy or sell, call Katie at 219-776-5120 or visit her website at TalkToTucker.com/Katie.Viers.

Real Estate Agent John Downey was the December Sales leader. John helped 6 buyers find their dream home and sold \$1,267,650 in volume during the month of December.

John Downey is a life-long resident of Montgomery County. He has been married to his wife Thoma for 25 years. They have three children, Jarett, Clayton and



John Downey

Gavin. He received his bachelor's degree from Wabash College in 1989 and an MBA from Indiana Wesleyan in 1999.

John has worked in real estate as an appraiser in Montgomery, Tippecanoe, Fountain and Warren counties since 2006. He joined F.C. Tucker in 2016 specializing in residential listings and sales in West Central Indiana. In 2022, John closed on 58 transactions totaling just over \$11.4 million in sales volume. He is a two-time F.C. Tucker President's Club member, the 2020 Montgomery County MIBOR Realtor of the Year and former chair of the local MIBOR division.

John Downey brings years of experience in

real estate, excellent customer service and a commitment to work hard, listen and follow through. He provides quality service to build relationships with clients and more importantly, maintain those relationships by communicating effectively. For all your real estate needs, talk to John today at 765-230-6335 or visit his website at TalkToTucker.com/John.Downey.

F.C. Tucker West Central has been helping serve the real estate needs in west central Indiana for the last 17 years. The local real estate market is seeing a reduced number of homes for sale, if you have been thinking about selling now is a great time to contact your F.C. Tucker West Central REALTOR® for a free Comparative Market Analysis (CMA) on your home. F.C. Tucker West Central has offices in Crawfordsville and Covington. To buy or sell a home in our area, please call 765-362-4700 to speak with one of our 16 experienced realtors.

Indiana American Water Accepting Applications For 2023 Environmental Grant Program

Indiana American Water, a subsidiary of American Water, the largest publicly traded U.S. water and wastewater utility company, is now accepting applications for its 2023 Environmental Grant Program.

"Indiana American Water is committed to providing our customers with clean, safe, reliable water service and protecting our environment and our water sources," said Indiana American Water President Matt Prine. "Everyone plays a role in protecting our nation's water supplies, and this program encourages municipalities, schools, environmental organizations and civic groups to apply for a grant that will benefit their watersheds and the communities we serve across the state."

Established in 2005, Indiana American Water's Environmental Grant Program offers funds for innovative, community-based



environmental projects that improve, restore or protect the watersheds, surface water and/or groundwater supplies through partnerships. Last year, Indiana American Water provided funding for six watershed projects across the state. In 2023, the company will be awarding several grants for a combined total of approximately \$10,000.

To qualify, proposed projects must:

- Address a source water or watershed

protection need in the community

- Be completed between May 1, 2023 and November 30, 2023
- Be a new or innovative program for the community, or serve as a significant expansion to an existing program
- Be carried out by a formal or informal partnership between two or more organizations
- Provide evidence of sustainability (continued existence after the grant monies are utilized), and
- Be located within one

of Indiana American Water's service areas across the state.

Projects will be judged based on criteria that include clarity of project goals and projected impact, strength of collaboration with other community and/or municipal organizations, and evidence that the project will provide sustainable environmental results after Indiana American Water's funding ends.

Applications must be postmarked by March 31, 2023 and mailed to Indiana American Water, 153 N. Emerson Avenue, Greenwood, Ind. 46143, ATTN: Joe Loughmiller. Award recipients will be notified by April 30, 2023.

Additional Information and application requirements can be obtained online at the Environmental Grant section of the company website at <https://www.amwater.com/inaw/news-community/environmental-grant-program>.

Butch Buys Old Firearms
Retired Sheriff and Licensed FFL

I will buy your old guns: Winchester, Colt, H&R, Ruger, Savage, Browning, Smith & Wesson, Marlin, & others
Call me anytime for a free estimate !!
John "Butch" Dale (765) 404-1354

exp REALTY

FOR SALE

Clark Dale
765.918.1773
william.dale@exprealty.com

INDIANAPOLIS HOME SHOW
SINCE 1922

JAN. 20-29
INDIANA STATE FAIRGROUNDS & EVENT CENTER

DISCOVER. PLAN. DO.

10 DAYS ONLY!

Shop, compare and save with **400+** experts in kitchen & bath, landscaping, flooring and more!

Discover the latest trends as you tour the brand-new **Centerpiece Home**, crafted by Custom Container Builders, including a container pool & pool house!

See HGTV stars and twin sisters **Leslie Davis** and **Lyndsay Lamb** from their hit show *Unsellable Houses* on Fri., Jan 20 & Sat., Jan. 21!

buy online & SAVE \$2
PROMO CODE: **TWO**
VALID ON REGULAR ADULT ADMISSION ONLY.

DISCOUNT COURTESY OF: CHEVROLET, CENTRAL INDIANA CHEVY DEALERS

IndianapolisHomeShow.com MARKETPLACE EVENTS

Kenny On The Strength Of Big Ten Basketball Recruiting

My old colleague at the Lafayette Journal and Courier, Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame sports-writer Jeff Washburn, liked to say winning in college football and basketball is all about the "Jimmys and Joes, not the Xs and Os."

It's difficult to argue that premise. Just look at the familiar names that seem to make the College Football Playoff every year or are semi-annual participants in the NCAA Final Four in men's basketball.

But there are exceptions.

Purdue junior center Zach Edey, the presumptive favorite to be college basketball's national player of the year, was ranked 440th in the 2020 recruiting class by 247sports.com composite (an average of 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN ratings). Edey's success story, plus the old chestnut pulled out by national sportswriters and broadcasters that Purdue coach Matt Painter "does more with less" prompted an examination of each Big Ten Conference basketball starting lineup.

Do the teams at the top have more Top 100 recruits? Or are college basketball recruiting rankings as unreliable as political pundits who were sure "a red wave" was coming in the 2022 elections?

We'll look at each school based on the Big Ten standings as of Jan. 18.

Purdue: Zach Edey (440th in 2020), Caleb Furst (65th, 2021), Ethan Morton (103rd, 2020), Fletcher Loyer (96th, 2022), Brandon Smith (198th, 2022)

Edey wasn't even the starting center at IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla., where the Canadian native enrolled for his senior year. Future Duke star Mark Williams played ahead of Edey and later became a first-round draft pick by the Charlotte Hornets.

Furst, Indiana's 2020 Mr. Basketball, was



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

ranked second in Indiana behind future teammate Trey Kauffman-Renn (44th). Morton was Pennsylvania's Mr. Basketball in 2020. Smith earned Indiana Mr.

Basketball honors over Loyer, who was Indiana's Gatorade Player of the Year and the national high school 3-point shooting champion.

Of note: Since 2000, only All-American forward Caleb Swanigan (19th) was ranked higher than Kauffman-Renn and Furst.

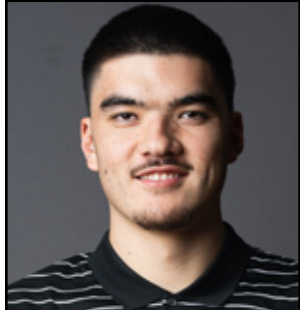
Rutgers: Cam Spencer (unranked, 2019), Caleb McConnell (344th, 2018), Clifford Omoruyi (51st, 2020), Mawot Mag (212th, 2020), Paul Mulcahy (156th, 2019)

Like Purdue, the Scarlet Knights aren't loaded with Top 100 prospects. Omoruyi is Rutgers' fourth-best recruit since 2000.

Michigan: Hunter Dickenson (43rd, 2020), Kobe Bufkin (46th, 2021), Jett Howard (43rd, 2022), Terrance Williams II (101st, 2020), Dug McDaniel (87th, 2022)

Had Dickenson selected Purdue instead of Michigan three years ago, would Zach Edey have prospered elsewhere? There's so much talent on the Wolverines' roster that their bench includes Tarris Reed (35th, 2022) and Isaiah Barnes (117th, 2021).

Illinois: Terrence Shannon Jr. (Texas Tech transfer, 90th in 2019), Coleman Hawkins (168th, 2020), Matthew Mayer (Baylor transfer, 93rd in 2018), R.J. Melendez (94th, 2021), Sencire Harris (113th, 2022)



Zach Edey

Shannon (17.6 ppg.) and Mayer (11.1) are the team's top scorers in their first seasons at Champaign. Point guard Skyy Clark, who recently left the Fighting Illini, was ranked 33rd in 2022. Bench players Ty Rodgers (59th, 2022) and Jayden Epps (72nd, 2022) are Top 100 recruits.

Wisconsin: Steven Crowl (235th, 2020), Chucky Hepburn (127th, 2021), Max Klesmit (Unranked, 2020), Tyler Wahl (204th, 2019), Jordan Davis (476th, 2020)

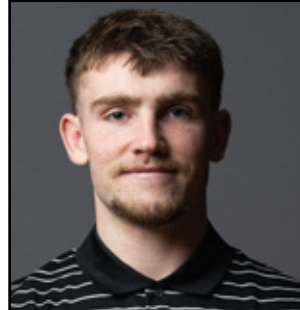
Now, this is an example of doing more with less. Crowl, Wahl and Hepburn are all averaging nearly 13 points a game for the Badgers.

Iowa: Kris Murray (333rd, 2020), Filip Rebraca (Unranked, 2018), Ahron Ullis (186th, 2020), Connor McCaffery (152nd, 2017), Tony Perkins (314th, 2020)

Murray is another big miss by the recruiting experts, who had his brother Keegan ranked 334th. Keegan Murray was taken fourth in the 2022 NBA Draft by Sacramento, one slot ahead of Purdue's Jaden Ivey. The Hawkeyes' second-best player, Patrick McCaffery (86th in 2019), is taking a mental health break from basketball.

Michigan State: Joey Hauser (Marquette transfer, 52nd in 2018), Tyson Walker (484th, 2019), Jaden Akins (54th, 2021), A.J. Hoggard (81st, 2020), Mady Sissoko (41st, 2020).

Sissoko, rated nearly 400 slots higher than Edey, started but did not take a shot against Purdue this past Monday.



Braden Smith

Starting forward Malik Hall, who missed the Purdue game with an injury, was rated 61st in 2019. He chose the Spartans over the Boiler-makers.

Northwestern: Boo Buie (327th, 2019), Chase Audige (William & Mary transfer, unranked in 2018), Robbie Beran (110th, 2019), Ty Berry (153rd, 2020), Matthew Nicholson (312th, 2020)

Audige and Buie would make an All-Big Ten underrated team, leading the Wildcats in scoring at 15.3 and 15.1 points per game, respectively.

Penn State: Jalen Pickett (Siena transfer, unranked, 2018), Seth Lundy (221st, 2019), Myles Dread (161st, 2018), Kebba Njie (118th, 2022), Andrew Funk (Bucknell transfer, unranked, 2018)

Averaging 17.7 points and 7.7 rebounds, Pickett is a contender for All-Big Ten honors. Otherwise, it's a testament to former Purdue assistant Micah Shrewsbury's coaching that the Nittany Lions are 12-6 overall.

Nebraska: Derrick Walker (Tennessee transfer, 270th in 2017), Juwan Gary (Alabama transfer, 93rd in 2019), Sam Griesel (North Dakota State transfer, unranked in 2018), Emmanuel Bandumel (SMU transfer, unranked in 2019), C.J. Wilcher (Xavier transfer, 113th in 2020).

Notice a trend? Even with today's loose transfer rules, how does a coach build chemistry with a lineup of newcomers?

Indiana: Trayce Jackson-Davis (30th, 2019), Race Thompson (134th,

2017), Xavier Johnson (Pitt transfer, 236th in 2018), Miller Kopp (Northwestern transfer, 114th, 2018), Jalen Hood-Schifino (23rd, 2022)

Mike Woodson is the midseason favorite for getting the least out of the most talent, even with Johnson and Thompson out of the lineup with injuries. Replacements Jordan Geronimo (105th, 2020) and Trey Gallo-way (157th, 2020) are solid players.

Reserves Malik Reneau and Tamar Bates were ranked 30th in the 2022 and 2021 recruiting classes, respectively. Seldom-used Logan Dunscomb was 73rd in 2021.

Maryland: Jahmir Young (Charlotte transfer, 235th in 2019), Hakim Hart (467th, 2019), Donta Scott (145th, 2019), Don Carey (Georgetown transfer, unranked in 2019), Julian Reese (60th, 2021)

It's not too surprising the Terrapins are in the lower half of the Big Ten.

Ohio State: Brice Sensabaugh (65th, 2022), Justice Sueing (California transfer, 171st in 2017), Bruce Thornton (51st, 2022), Sean McNeill (Sinclair Community College transfer, 24th in 2019), Zed Key (155th, 2020)

The Buckeyes may be struggling right now but Sensabaugh (16.9 ppg.) and Thornton (9.6 ppg.) could rank among the Big Ten's best back-courts in 2023-24.

Minnesota: Jamison Battle (George Washington transfer, unranked in 2019), Dawson Garcia (Marquette transfer, 37th in 2020), Ta'lon Cooper (Morehead State transfer, unranked in 2019), Joshua Ola-Joseph (223rd, 2022), Taurus Samuels (Dartmouth transfer, 405th in 2018)

There's a reason why the Gophers are the Big Ten's only team with a sub-.500 record. Garcia has lived up to his reputation (15.6 ppg., 6.6 reb.) but Minnesota

has struggled to play as a team.

By the numbers
A victory at Minnesota on Thursday night would give Purdue an 18-1 record, the best start in school history.

A secret to that successful start is making 294 free throws this season, 168 more than opponents. ...

The 64-63 victory at Michigan State gave Matt Painter 200 Big Ten wins, making him the third Purdue coach to reach that milestone and the seventh overall. Gene Keady won 256 conference games, and Piggy Lambert claimed 228.

Bob Knight tops the list with 353 Big Ten victories at Indiana. Tom Izzo has 326 and counting at Michigan State. Indiana's Branch McCracken won 216 games, two more than Lou Henson at Illinois. ...

Much to Izzo's chagrin after Monday's loss, Purdue center Zach Edey continues to have more blocked shots (37) than personal fouls (27). ...

Keep this in mind on Selection Sunday: Purdue is the only team with seven quad-1 victories. Five came against teams ranked in the NCAA Net's top 30 (Gonzaga, Ohio State, West Virginia, Marquette, Duke). Six of the wins have come away from Mackey Arena, with Marquette the lone home victory. ...

Fletcher Loyer was chosen the Big Ten's Player and Freshman of the Week on Tuesday, becoming the first Purdue freshman since Robbie Hummel in February 2008 to win Player of the Week honors. Loyer also matched the school record with his third Freshman of the Week award, a mark shared by Vince Edwards and Caleb Swanigan.

Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.

Classifieds

765-361-0100 ext. 15 | class@thepaper24-7.com

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Deadlines for next-day publication:

Line ads: 1 p.m. | Display ads 11 a.m.

2, 3 and 4 bedroom homes,
Contract Sales, Hooks
(765) 918-8700, (765) 362-0185
www.hookshomesindiana.com

Buy, Sell, Rent, Lease
THE PAPER classifieds

DISH Network. \$59.99 for 190 Channels! Blazing Fast Internet, \$19.99/mo. (where available.) Switch & Get a FREE \$100 Visa Gift Card. FREE Voice Remote. FREE HD DVR. FREE Streaming on ALL Devices. Call today! 1-855-551-9764

DIRECTV - Switch and Save! \$39.99/month. Select All-Included Package. 155 Channels. 1000s of Shows/Movies On Demand. FREE Genie HD DVR Upgrade. Premium movie channels, FREE for 3 mos! Call 1-888-885-8931

Earthlink High Speed Internet. As Low As \$14.95/month (for the first 3 months.) Reliable High Speed Fiber Optic Technology. Stream Videos, Music and More! Call Earthlink Today 1-855-977-7069

High-Speed Internet. We instantly compare speed, pricing, availability to find the best service for your needs. Starting at \$39.99/month! Quickly compare offers from top providers. Call 1-844-961-0666

ENJOY 100% guaranteed, delivered-to-the-door Omaha Steaks! Get 4 FREE Burgers Order The Griller's Bundle - ONLY \$79.99. Call 1-844-873-3738 mention code: 63281FHJ or visit www.omahasteaks.com/family671

Smart Home Installations? Geeks on Site will install your WIFI, Doorbells, Cameras, Home Theater Systems & Gaming Consoles. \$20 OFF coupon 42537! (Restrictions apply) 855-668-0067

LIVE PAIN FREE with CBD products from AceWellness. We guarantee highest quality, most competitive pricing on CBD products. Softgels, Oils, Skincare, Vape & more. Coupon Code: PRINT20 Call Now 833-226-3105

HEARING AIDS!! Buy one/get one FREE! High-quality rechargeable Nano hearing aids priced 90% less than competitors. Nearly invisible! 45 day money back guarantee! 844-932-3007

Attention: Oxygen Users! Gain freedom with a Portable Oxygen Concentrator! No more heavy tanks and refills! Guaranteed Lowest Prices! Call the Oxygen Concentrator Store: 866-770-6849

New Starting Base Pay - .50 cpm w/ option to make .60 cpm for Class A CDL Flatbed Drivers, Excellent Benefits, Home Weekends, Call 800-648-9915 or www.boydandsons.com

DONATE YOUR CAR TO CHARITY! FAST FREE PICK-UP-24 HR RESPONSE! Help Children in Need, Support Breast Cancer Education/Prevention or Veterans. Tax Deduction 844-820-9099

DIAGNOSED WITH LUNG CANCER? You may qualify for a substantial cash award. NO Obligation, NO risk! We've recovered millions. Let us help you!! Call 24/7, 844-284-4920

Looking to SELL your Home? Save time & money, connect with the Top Agents in your area to get more MONEY and close FASTER! Call 317-854-9781

Wesley Financial Group, LLC - Timeshare Cancellation Experts - Over \$50,000,000 in timeshare debt and fees cancelled in 2019. Get free informational package and learn how to get rid of your timeshare! Free consultations. Over 450 positive reviews. Call 877-329-1207

Moving out of state in the next 30-60 days? Don't get taken for a ride! Moving APT offers a PRICE MATCH GUARANTEE and RISK FREE RESERVATIONS. Carriers are all licensed and bonded. Free quote! Call 1-844-875-1997

COMPUTER ISSUES? GEEKS ON SITE provides FREE diagnosis REMOTELY 24/7 SERVICE DURING COVID19. No home visit necessary. \$40 OFF with coupon 86407! Restrictions apply. 888-715-8176

Need Help with Family Law? Can't Afford a \$5,000 Retainer? www.familycourtdirect.com/Family/Law - Low Cost Legal Services - Pay As You Go - As low as \$750-\$1,500 - Get Legal Help Now! Call 1-888-417-4602 Mon-Fri 7am to 4 pm PCT

Denied Social Security Disability? Appeal! If you're 50+, filed for SSD and denied, our attorneys can help get you approved! No money out of pockets! Call 1-855-995-4758

SERIOUSLY INJURED in an AUTO ACCIDENT? Let us fight for you! Our network has recovered millions for clients! Call today for a FREE consultation! 844-517-6414

Guaranteed Life Insurance! (Ages 50 to 80). No medical exam. Affordable premiums never increase. Benefits never decrease. Policy will only be cancelled for non-payment. 833-535-1043

FREON WANTED: We pay \$\$\$ for cylinders and cans. R12 R500 R11 R113 R114. Convenient. Certified Professionals. Call 312-313-9840 or visit RefrigerantFinders.com



Visit us online:

thepaper24-7.com



Proposals Limiting Right To Bail, Home Detention Advance To Senate Chamber

By Leslie Bonilla Muñoz

Indiana lawmakers went tough on crime Tuesday when a committee advanced a constitutional change restricting the right to bail and moved a less controversial bill barring people with more severe convictions from participating in community corrections programs.

Under Indiana's current Constitution, only people accused of murder or treason can't get bail, as long as "the proof is evident, or the presumption strong." Sen. Eric Koch's Senate Joint Resolution 1 would edit that document to let judges deny bail anyone they deem "a substantial risk to the public," and at the same standard of proof.

Prosecutors have said SJR 1 would keep dangerous people off the streets before trial, while critics say it's too vague and subjective to protect those presumed innocent until convicted.

On Tuesday, Democrat Sen. Greg Taylor, of Indianapolis, argued the burden of proof should be more stringent — with evident proof and strong presumption being on the lower end of the scale — while supporters like Sen. Liz Brown, R-Ft. Wayne, said that's the standard already enshrined within the Constitution.

Opposition Indiana Public Defender Council Executive Director Bernice Corley

and attorney Mike Cunningham told lawmakers that SJR 1 should better define what the "substantial risk" is, pointedly giving examples like communicable disease versus emotional distress or physical danger.

Corley also argued that states with similar bail-limiting language on the books typically have presumptive release, when incarcerated people are by default released when they're first eligible for parole — unless a parole board finds specific reasons not to release them.

"There's two sides of this coin, always," she said about the right to bail. And she warned that passing SJR 1 could "upheave" Indiana's case law.

Courtney Curtis, the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council assistant executive director, said "adding a couple of words" would not require the state to start over.

She described a spectrum with the rights of defendants and public safety on either end, adding that states are "trying to find where's that happy medium."

Koch, meanwhile, said there are already built-in checks on the right to bail: defendants can appeal bail decisions, and can seek review from higher courts.

The nine-member Senate Corrections and Criminal Law Committee approved SJR 1 with a 5-3 vote, sending it to

the full Senate Chamber. It nearly passed along party lines: the group's two Democrats voted against it, but so did Ranking Majority Member Susan Glick, R-LaGrange.

"I believe the language in this resolution should be void for vagueness," Glick said.

"... What we're attempting to do is keep the very most dangerous individuals in jail indefinitely. I understand that," Glick continued. "But I believe that the language here will allow it to be applied to a lot of other people for a lot of other reasons."

Koch's planning to keep SJR 1's wording the same, for now.

"I'm a listener. I try to keep an open mind. I thought the discussion today was very helpful," Koch told the Capital Chronicle after the committee adjourned. "But as of now, I have no plans to change it. But, this is just the beginning of what is, and should be, a long process."

Serving a sentence out at home

The committee also unanimously advanced an amended bill altering community corrections programming, which is meant to divert felony convicts from incarceration and serve as an intermediate level of penalty between jail and probation, according to the Indiana Department of Correction.

Programming includes

residential centers, work release, home detention and electronic monitoring.

Senate Bill 179 — also authored by Koch — would bar people convicted of level one felonies from participating in the programs, as well as those with certain extra penalties on their convictions.

But it would expand the program as an alternative to county jail, rather than just to the Department of Correction, and allow people on work release to earn accrued time just like those in home detention.

Though the prosecutors and defenders judicial agencies are typically on opposite ends of criminal justice bills, Koch said both groups had workshopped the bill and supported it.

An amendment, which wasn't available online, would crack down on home detention escape without also ratcheting up consequences for smaller violations, committee chair Aaron Freeman, R-Indianapolis, said.

Indiana Capital Chronicle is part of States Newsroom, a network of news bureaus supported by grants and a coalition of donors as a 501c(3) public charity. Indiana Capital Chronicle maintains editorial independence. Follow Indiana Capital Chronicle on facebook.com/IndianaCapitalChronicle and twitter.com/INCapChronicle

Getting Testy!



DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

My wife read some troubling information the other day in one of her monthly magazines. You might think the source of this bad news would be a publication like Prevention, where every page is full of things you should not be full of, like red meat, trans fat chips, cakes and pies, and sugary soft drinks. Next thing you know they'll be telling us to lay off cheese. Or did I miss that issue?

No, this time the messenger was Consumer Reports. I have mixed feelings when reading this publication. As a result of our subscription, Mary Ellen and I have over the years apparently purchased a lemon of a car, an energy inefficient freezer, unsafe snow tires, and a dangerous snowblower.

At the back of the magazine, they tell readers what items they are presently testing in their labs. So, there's a good chance we also bought the wrong toaster, mattress, sunscreen, meat thermometer, and insect repellants. This past month they were rating blood pressure monitors, which you really need when reading one of their reports.

We have also learned that we probably wasted lots of money buying useless vitamins and even many organic food options. I have trouble sleeping at night because CR rated my pillow choice very low—lower even than MyPillow. I bought a MyPillow years ago, but I returned it. I emailed the owner and told him that sleeping with my head on his product made me lean to the left.

So, what did CR report on that upset my wife? Mary Ellen is a chocolate lover, and the darker the better. Well, things could not have gotten any darker than last week when the new CR landed in our mailbox, just minutes before she tossed it in our recycle bin. Here's the feature article's headline:

Some Trader Joe's dark chocolate has dangerous levels of lead and cadmium

Say it ain't so, Joe! This is where Mary Ellen gets most of her chocolate. She will also occasionally pick up non-essentials like eggs, milk, bread, fresh fruits and vegetables.

For years my wife's consumption of chocolate was based not only on flavor, but on reports that chocolate was good for you—especially the dark variety, which is full of anti-oxidants. True, it contains some caffeine, but if you can't sleep, what better way to stay awake than scarfing down a candy bar?

CR tested 28 dark chocolate bars at Trader Joe's. For 23 of the bars, eating just an ounce a day puts someone over a level that CR's experts say may be harmful. Well, there goes Halloween. Scary, huh?

Mary Ellen was curious to know whether the CR folks also had to taste the candy, and if so, were there any openings available for jobs like that?

Truth is, my wife is very health conscious, so she is now cutting down on her chocolate consumption. She asked if I would be willing to make some similar sacrifices, based on past CR reports. I am proud to announce that last Tuesday was the last vitamin pill I will ever take.

Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper of Montgomery County. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.

6 Things To Consider Doing If You Can't Pay Rent This Month

(StatePoint) The average national rent surpassed \$2,000 for the first time ever in 2022, which has made keeping up with rent payments challenging for millions of people across the United States. In fact, a recent Freddie Mac survey found that 70% of renters are concerned about making their rent payment in the short term.

If you're among those struggling to pay rent, there is good news: many resources exist to help renters remain in their homes.

Here are six actions you can take to help keep you in your rental:

1. Contact Your Landlord. If you know you will be unable to pay your rent, contact your landlord in writing to explain your situation. Your landlord may be able to offer you such

options as changing the date rent is due each month, lowering rent payments or creating a repayment plan.

2. Consider More Affordable Apartments. Finding a less expensive apartment may be the right solution if you anticipate having regular trouble paying your rent. However, with rents on the rise everywhere, this can be a challenge. As you start your search, remember to factor in the fees and moving expenses you might incur. Moving within your building or to another property managed by the same company may be one way to avoid onboarding fees.

3. Find a Roommate. If you have the space, taking on a roommate can significantly reduce your monthly rent and utility expenses. Make sure to follow the terms

of your lease when adding a roommate to any apartment. This could include having them sign a formal lease.

4. Access Short-Term Rental Assistance. Local housing authorities and some national organizations have short-term rent relief funds you can apply for to help cover the cost of rent while you get back on your feet. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) has a list of assistance programs for renters.

5. Understand Eviction Protections. Be aware of the eviction protections you're eligible for should you be unable to pay rent. The CFPB has a list of states with protections in place that prevent landlords from evicting renters for failure to pay rent.

6. Work with a Renter Resource Organization.

There are many non-profit Renter Resource Organizations throughout the country that can assist you if you are facing a housing-related challenge. These entities provide services and resources to help you maintain housing, including eviction prevention and landlord-tenant mediation. They also can assist you in locating alternative housing and provide financial planning advice. Services offered may vary by provider. To find an organization that can help you with your situation, contact Freddie Mac's Renter Hotline at 800-404-3097.

For more information about renting, including resources to help you determine how much you can afford, visit My Home by Freddie Mac at myhome.freddiemac.com.

KAREN ZACH



Think writing a column on genealogy is easy?

THINK AGAIN!!!

Each week Karen Zach pores over page after page after page of historical records just so she can bring the readers of The Paper of Montgomery County the absolute latest . . . well, it's historical, so it's not exactly . . . so she can bring you the most up-to-date . . . oh, you know what we mean!

Catch Karen every Thursday, only in Montgomery County's Favorite Daily Edition!



Sagamore News Media is looking for talented sales people!

Whether you sell by phone or in person, we want to talk with you!

Hourly rates begin at \$15 per hour and only go up from there.

If you have good sales skills, this might be the job you have been looking for.

There is no cap on earnings and multiple people in the past have earned \$50,000, \$60,000 and beyond – all the way into six figures.

Sagamore News Media owns newspapers in Noblesville and Crawfordsville and feature award-winning work every day. Come be part of our team!

Apply today by e-mailing resume to jobs@thepaper24-7.com.

We can't wait to talk with you!

↳ BUTCH From Page A1

how many of you have done the same thing? I never drove that fast again, except for one other time, and here's the story...

One evening, I headed up north to Clarks Hill country to meet some cute gal (who would later become my wife) to take her out on a date. I told my folks I would be home no later than 1:00 am. After going to a movie and eating out, we ended up back at her house, watching TV and then listening to 78 rpm records, specifically the Rolling Stones and the Beatles, and then the Mamas and Papas. Do you remember the song "California Dreamin'?" Well, that's how it ended up. We fell asleep on her parents' couch...dream-in', and I woke up at 3:00 am. Not good!

Time to head the red and white family truckster on its way back south to Darlington. When I turned off County Road 1000 North onto County Road 700 East (the Darlington-Stockwell blacktop), I put my foot to the pedal and gave her

all she could take. Going through the iron bridge at 80 mph near Reid Paddock's house was quite a thrill, and I stayed on it, reaching 100 mph, before I backed off to 90 mph just before the top of the steep hill at County Road 750 North. As I topped the hill, the red and white station wagon, which then must have assumed it was a dragster, went airborne. Yep, all four wheels left the ground. The top of my head hit the headliner. OI! Betsy went off the road and into the ditch, traveling several yards on its two right side wheels. I don't understand to this day what kept that old car from rolling over and wrecking. When I came to a stop, I was in a cold sweat. My heart was pounding. I glanced at myself in the mirror. My face was as white as a ghost. I just sat there and realized how stupid...and how lucky...I had been.

I drove slowly all the rest of the way home, and when I entered our lane, I turned off the headlights...and then halfway up...turned off

the ignition and coasted up to the house. I sure didn't want my folks to wake up, so I climbed up on the roof, and crawled in through my upstairs bedroom window. My younger brother never heard a peep. I had made it back safe and sound. No one will ever know...until 7:30 am...my Dad shaking me, "Get your clothes on and get down here...NOW!" Still half asleep, I stumbled outside, where he had the hood of the car up and was staring at the engine compartment. "How did that battery get down there?" he inquired with a discerning look on his not-too-happy face. The battery had come dislodged from its stand and was wedged in between the engine and the fender well. I was speechless, but uttered out, "Gosh, Dad, I have no idea. Maybe I hit a chuckhole or something." Dad replied, "Well, it must have been one hell of a chuckhole. Get a wrench and put it back where it belongs." Thank God...no more questions. I felt guilty for not telling the

truth. You know...teenagers do some really idiotic things. That was just one of the stupid things I did...I could list many more. When my four kids were teenagers, they had a few brainless adventures, too. When I had to discipline them, I always tried to remember my teenage years. And when I was a deputy sheriff and then county sheriff, I tried to give kids a break when possible, unless the situation was very serious and warranted the proper action. Sometimes we all have to learn the hard way. On that summer night, after I went airborne over that hill, I learned my lesson...to tell the truth...and never drive 90 mph over a steep hill...in a red and white station wagon. And that damn car didn't even have a radio!

John "Butch" Dale is a retired teacher and County Sheriff. He has also been the librarian at Darlington the past 32 years, and is a well-known artist and author of local history.

↳ 4-H From Page A1

literacy skills to their communities through providing education and tools to adults.

To expand their reach, the Montgomery County 4-H team recently held a statewide training to train more teens from across the state. Teams are tasked with identify community needs in regards to digital literacy and inclusion and provide educational programming to adults to help address those needs. At this training there were 7 youth and 3 adults in attendance, representing Lake, Jefferson, and Marion Counties. Participants created a communi-

ty profile and gained hands-on experience in delivering educational programming.

The Montgomery County 4-H Tech Changemakers team is looking for opportunities to provide educational programming to adults to help them enhance their digital literacy skills. If your business, organization, non-profit, etc. is interested in having them come and teach or provide professional development opportunities, please contact the Montgomery County Extension office at (765)364-6363 or e-mail Abby Morgan at asweet@purdue.edu.

↳ HUCKSTEP From Page A1

to further the economic and administrative goals of the City, including land use issues, city zoning code, ordinances and economic development.

"Crawfordsville has always been home to me, and I take a lot of pride in the community I am blessed to be a part of," Huckstep said. "I look forward to continuing to make Crawfordsville a place where people want to live, work, raise a

family and enjoy life."

Huckstep is a Crawfordsville native and Crawfordsville High School graduate who lives in the City with her son Rylan—17. Huckstep graduated from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with a Bachelor's Degree in Human Services in 2003. She was hired on as an executive assistant for the city's planning department in 2004.

↳ SEWING From Page A1

the buttons and zippers off of garments before using them as rags. She would reuse the buttons on a new dress or shirt and the zipper would go into another skirt. Thinking about her industriousness, I recently dug my sewing machine out of the closet again - the last time I used it was to make face masks. My New Year's resolution is to make myself a pair of pants that are tailored just for me. I will start with making a pattern sloper (a foundational pattern that follows the natural lines of a figure) out of muslin to get the fit perfect. Once I have that done I can make many pairs of pants from it that will look better

than anything purchased in a store. I am lucky to have learned these skills from my grandmother and mother. But, if you are a complete beginner, you can always turn to the local library.

There is a lot to learn when you start any new hobby and a great place to begin is at the Reference desk at the library. Ask us for the sewing section of non-fiction books on pattern making, sewing for beginners, mending, and many more topics. Children's Services has books for young sewists as well. In addition, check out online (video) classes from our Creativebug platform. Access comes

with your library card, just follow the link under Econtent on the library's webpage (cdpl.lib.in.us). The classes offered by Creativebug will not only help you learn to sew, but there are more advanced classes on slopers, getting the perfect fit, and teaching you hacks to make sewing easier and faster. These classes also include patterns and instructions. The library offers classes on mending, take-and-make packs on weaving and the monthly Yarn-Works program (2nd Monday of the month) if you want to branch out into other fiber crafts. Make a sweater to go with the skirt or pants you make.

Come to the library to check all available resources on sewing. Do something creative with your hands and get a one of a kind garment to wear that is just your style. This is one TikTok trend that I hope stays around for a while.

CDPL is open Mon-Thu from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., Fri-Sat from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and on Sundays from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. If you have questions please reach out by email at ref@cdpl.lib.in.us or by phone at 765-362-2242, ext. 117.

Michelle Ogden is a Library Assistant in the Reference & Local History Department at CDPL.

↳ WOMEN From Page A1

Commission. Eligibility Requirements:

- The pieces must be framed or otherwise ready to hang on a wall
- Maximum dimensions including the frame: 42" x 60"
- Must be installation-ready, including frame and hanging wires
- One entry per artist
- Artist must identify as female

Thanks for reading The Paper!

Dreaming of a new home?

find it here! [thepaper](http://thepaper.com)

Sagamore News Media is looking for talented sales people!

Whether you sell by phone or in person, we want to talk with you!

Hourly rates begin at \$15 per hour and only go up from there.

If you have good sales skills, this might be the job you have been looking for.

There is no cap on earnings and multiple people in the past have earned \$50,000, \$60,000 and beyond – all the way into six figures.

Sagamore News Media owns newspapers in Noblesville and Crawfordsville and feature award-winning work every day. Come be part of our team!

Apply today by e-mailing resume to jobs@thepaper24-7.com.

We can't wait to talk with you!

LIVING WITH DIABETES CAN BE PAINLESS

If you administer insulin 3 or more times per day or using an insulin pump, **CALL NOW** and learn how a Continuous Glucose Monitor **CAN HELP YOU.**

Get **FREE** shipping of your new CGM, plus we will bill your insurance for you... **AT LITTLE OR NO COST!**

CALL NOW! 866-641-0141

COPAYS AND DEDUCTIBLES MAY APPLY

CASEY WILLIAMS

Nobody but noooooobody gives you a better inside scoop on new cars than Casey Williams. Each week Casey puts you behind the wheel and gives you the lowdown on the latest out of Detroit, or other places!

If you drive a car, this is a must read!

Catch Casey every Monday, only in Montgomery County's Favorite Daily Edition!

The Paper
MONTGOMERY COUNTY