⇒ TODAY'S VERSE

Philippians 1:21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. (KJV)

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They were taking down a building on the campus of the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign recently when they found a 116-year-old time capsule in the building's cornerstone, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. It caused quite a stir as there was no record of the capsule. There's plenty of time to think about what might be in the capsule; it won't be opened until next fall when the university celebrates its 150th anniversary.

Lunch with the League this week focuses on addiction and recovery. The LWV event is scheduled to take place at noon Friday on the third floor of Fusion 54. Connie Esra, Director of Recovery Coalition, is scheduled to be on hand to talk about the many opportunities available at the Recovery Rec Center to support recovery and wellness for those afflicted with drug addiction. Find out how Recovery Coalition has had a positive impact on our community through its services as well as the experience gained by the many volunteers who work to make it a success. Lunch with the League programs are for public information sharing, and there is no charge.

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Everyone can visit free at 216 E. Main during the gallery's open hours (Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) and sign up for classes of all sorts and for all ages. Athens Arts also welcomes volunteers.

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Community workers appear among us in many forms: maybe you've helped a neighbor with a yard sale, helped build a Habitat House, taken a meal to a neighbor in need, delivered meals on Wheels, donated to FISH food pantry. Maybe you have bought a Sunshine Certificate or gone to a Boys and Girls Club fundraiser. Our community thrives because hundreds of people make it their business to help out.

Sometimes we forget that among our most valuable community helpers are our local

artists who bring beauty, color, and whimsy into our daily lives. Scientific studies have shown that the "Vitamin C" of creativity is as vital to human flourishing as is the nutrient Vitamin C. The artists of Athens Arts stand tall among our community builders and volunteers. They not only display their skilled art attractively in the heart of downtown Crawfordsville, they make it possible for all of us to freely partake of art as gallery goers, collectors, and as students in their classes. These people, along with the director and the

board of directors, maintain and make Athens Arts a gem of our downtown for residents and visitors alike. Everyone can visit free at 216 E. Main during the gallery's open hours (Thursday & Friday, 10-6; Saturday, 10-2) and sign up for classes of all sorts and for all ages. Athens Arts also welcomes volunteers.

As Director Diana McCormick notes, "These talented artists whose work has qualified them to display in the Gallery then choose to be artist mem-

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• 2011 185 people are killed during an earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand. The quake, while having a magnitude of only 6.3, had one of the highest intensities ever recorded in an urban area.

Births On This Day

• 1932 Ted Kennedy American politician

• 1975 Drew Barrymore American actress, director, producer, screenwriter

Deaths On This Day

• 1983 Adrian Boult English conductor

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where staff brought clients from a nearby state institution.

"Even just buying a ticket and

popcorn for their patients - I call them clients – I could see how unkindly the staff treated

She got a look inside the institution, cold and unhomelike, when she interned there. We can do better, she thought. Soon after college, she moved to Frederick, Md., and began an almost two-decade career serving people with mental illness, substance use disorders, legal issues and cognitive disabilities. She began in direct services in a small three-county, multi-tiered program. She's now a program director in a statewide mental health system that serves 6,000 people at any given time. Her

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No Room At Inn, Or **For Other Opinions**



TIM TIMMONS Two Cents

Are we obsessed with being

I only ask because it seems like there's a lot more "sides" than there used to be . . . more causes. And if you don't line up with that side or that cause, you are . . . what's the term today, canceled? Or maybe you're a

hater? Dunno, but the idea that you were entitled to your own opinion seems as outdated as seersucker suits and Weejuns both of which I have in my closet.

Figures, huh? Take the LGBTQ movement - and no, I'm not talking about the Let's Get Biden To Quit campaign. Seriously, who would want that? I mean are we really thinking Kamala Harris is a step up?

Sorry, just kidding. Sort of.

If you are one of the regular eight or nine readers of these scribblings, then you've gotten my take on the LGBTQ folks. I've nothing against them, I just don't agree with their lifestyle. However, they are all big boys

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HONEST HOOSIER

Happy 73rd birthday Dr. J, Julius Erving. I still remember you dunking the red, white and blue ball on our beloved Indiana Pacers in the old ABA!



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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Women should wait three weeks to resume birth control pills after having a baby and six weeks after having a cesarean section. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



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TODAY'S QUOTE

"Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start."

🗢 TODAY'S JOKE

What do you say to a snowman worried about melting? Hey, take a chill pill!



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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22, 2023

Sen. Brian Buchanan **Welcomes Two Local Students To Statehouse**

State Sen. Brian Buchanan (R-Lebanon) welcomed the following local students to the Statehouse who served as Senate pages in January.

- Andrew Badertscher, from Crawfordsville, attends Southmont Junior **High School**
- Owen Tomamichel, from Crawfordsville, attends Crawfordsville
- Middle School Brayden Coon, from Brownsburg, attends
- Brownsburg High School • Gavin Coon, from Brownsburg, attends
- Brownsburg High School • Ethan Pascarella, from Zionsville, attends Zionsville West Middle School
- Mackenzie Pascarella, from Zionsville, attends Zionsville High School
- Sage Tousey, from Zionsville, attends Heritage Christian School
- Benjamin Wascom, from Lebanon, attends Lebanon High School

Pages spend a day at the Statehouse touring the historic building, observing debates from the Sen-



Sen. Brian Buchanan

ate floor and interacting with their state senator.

"The Indiana Senate Page Program is a great opportunity for students to learn about their state government and how it operates," Buchanan said. "It is a pleasure to have Hoosier children visit the Statehouse and I encourage all eligible students to consider signing up.'

Students in grades six through 12 participate in the page program on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays during the legislative session.

To learn more about the Senate Page Program, visit www.IndianaSenateRepublicans.com/ page-program.

Bill To Provide State Tax Credit For Public School Foundation **Contributions Passes Senate**

A bill authored by State Sen. Brian Buchanan (R-Lebanon) that would provide a state tax credit for donations made to public school foundations in 2024 and 2025 passed the Senate today in a bipartisan vote.

Senate Bill 260 would allow Hoosiers to claim a nonrefundable 25% tax credit on contributions made to public school foundations, not to exceed \$1,000 for individuals filing a single return or a corporation and \$2,000 for married couples filing a return jointly.

"Indiana's public school foundations offer financial support to public schools by funding scholarships, teacher ed-

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ucation and other capital projects," Buchanan said. 'SB 260 would encourage Hoosiers and private corporations to make an investment in Indiana's future by contributing to these organizations.

The bill now moves to the Indiana House of Representatives for further consideration.

Legislative calendars, agendas, vote tallies, live streams and proposed legislation can be viewed online by visiting iga. in.gov.

State Sen. Brian Buchanan (R-Lebanon) represents Senate District 7, which includes Clinton County and portions of Boone, Hendricks and Montgomery counties.

Indiana Students To Get Free FAFSA Filing Help At College Goal Sunday

Financial aid professionals will be volunteering at Ivy Tech Lafayette and Crawfordsville to help college-bound students and their families open the door to financial aid during College Goal Sunday. The event is set from 2 - 4 p.m. on Feb. 26, 2023.

The free program assists Indiana students in filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in less than one afternoon. The FAFSA form is required for students to be considered for federal and state grants, scholarships, and federal student loans at most colleges, universities, and vocational/technical schools nationwide. Due to state deadlines, the FAFSA must be filed by April 15, 2023, to be eligible for most Indiana financial aid.

"We want students to capitalize on every opportunity they can that makes going to college affordable, no matter what field or industry they pursue or where they find themselves on their educational journey," said Dr. Sue Ellspermann, President of Ivy Tech. "Ivy Tech is proud to host events like College Goal Sunday that align with the goals of the State of Indiana and the Commission for Higher Education, as we strive to achieve a statewide FAFSA completion rate of at least 60 percent this year."

"We love serving the community by hosting College Goal Sunday in Lafayette and Crawfordsville," said Sarah Wandless, Director of Financial Aid at Ivy Tech Lafayette. "Completing the FAFSA can be intimidating, especially for those who have never completed the form before. We encourage students and their families to attend this event and take advantage of the team of trained volunteers to get a head start on their financial aid applications.

Now in its 34th year, College Goal Sunday has helped more than 94,000 Indiana students and families complete the FAFSA properly and on time. College Goal Sunday is a charitable program of the Indiana Student Financial Aid Association (ISFAA).

College Goal Sunday Doubles the Help Offered

"The event on Feb. 26 will be the first of two College Goal Sunday events ISFAA is offering this FAFSA filing season." said Bill Wozniak, co-chair of College Goal Sunday. "We hope all Hoosiers take advantage of College Goal Sunday, file the FAFSA, and get one step closer to fulfilling their educational goals.

"Students who don't complete their financial aid paperwork properly and on time are often very disappointed when they find out how much financial aid they lost," said Wozniak. "This is why the Indiana Student Financial Aid Association not only continues to provide College Goal Sunday but offers two

events during the year. If our assistance gives students a better chance at education beyond high school and less debt, we're fulfilling our mission."

What students should bring

Students should attend College Goal Sunday with their parent(s) or guardian(s), and parent(s) should bring completed 2021 IRS 1040 tax returns, W-2 Forms and other 2021 income and benefits information. Students who worked should also bring their income information. Students 24 years of age or older may attend alone and bring their completed 2021 IRS 1040 tax return, W-2 Form or other 2021 income and benefits information. Students and parent(s) are encouraged to apply for their U.S. Department of Education FSA IDs at www.studentaid.gov before logging in to the event.

Volunteers will walk through the online form line-by-line and answer families' individual questions as needed. All sites offer FAFSA online capabilities, and many have Spanish interpreters. A complete list of sites is available at www. collegegoalsunday.org.

Attendees may win a scholarship from College Goal Sunday

Students may also win one of five \$1,000 scholarships. Students who attend College Goal Sunday and submit a completed evaluation form will automatically be entered in a drawing

for a \$1,000 scholarship. The winners will be notified in spring and scholarships will be sent directly to the higher education institution selected by the winning students.

21st Century Scholars benefit

21st Century Scholars are income-eligible students who sign a contract in the seventh or eighth grade promising they will graduate from high school, meet grade point requirements, fulfill a pledge of good citizenship, and apply for college financial aid. Upon high school completion, Scholars who have fulfilled the commitment and demonstrate financial need receive state funds to help cover their college tuition and fees for up to eight semesters at eligible Indiana public colleges or an equal dollar amount at eligible Indiana private colleges. To fulfill their pledge scholars must submit a completed FAFSA form on time, College Goal Sunday can help.

Program is a national

model College Goal Sunday originated right here in Indiana and is now a national model. Following Indiana's example, College Goal Sunday events organized by more than 34 states have opened doors to higher education for hundreds of thousands of students all over the country.

For more information about College Goal Sunday visit www.collegegoalsunday.org.

Indiana Officials Celebrate National FFA Week With Proclamation And Resolution

In honor of National FFA Week, seven Indiana State FFA Officers and National Officer, MacKenna Clifton of North Carolina, met in the Statehouse to receive a proclamation and resolution declaring Feb. 18-25 Indiana FFA Week.

"It was a pleasure to have these outstanding young professionals representing the State of Indiana and agriculture so well in the Statehouse today," said Lt. Gov. Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "FFA is a dynamic youth led organization and I am excited to celebrate National FFA Week this week and agriculture year-round."

Gov. Eric Holcomb signed the proclamation to name this week FFA Week in recognition of all the work the Indiana FFA Organization, agriculture educators and FFA advisors do to cultivate the next generation of agriculturists for our state.

During the week, chapters across the state and nation will host a variety of events to educate, advocate and celebrate the agricultural industry. From a school animal experience to a farmer's breakfast, these activities pay homage to the dedication and commitment of today's agriculturalists. Throughout the week, the Indiana FFA State Officers travel the state to participate in activities alongside local FFA chapters and their communities.

The Indiana FFA Association also received a Senate Concurrent Resolution highlighting the impact of the FFA Organization, which

is preparing more than 13,000 members in 90 of Indiana's 92 counties for the over 250 unique careers in the food, fiber and natural resource sectors. The resolution was led by Sen. Jean Leising, Senate District 42 and Rep. Michael Aylesworth, House District 11.

Jenna Kelsay, 2022-2023 Indiana FFA Southern Region Vice President shared what this resolution means to her and the FFA Organization.

"Receiving the proclamation and house concurrent resolution today in the Indiana Statehouse was such an exciting way to kick-off National FFA Week," said Kelsay. "Indiana FFA and its members are so fortunate to have support and recognition from our states agricultural leaders and elected officials."

Tamara Ketchen, Director of the Indiana FFA Association, is looking forward to seeing all the work done this week at FFA chapters across the state.

"National FFA Week is a time for local chapters to highlight their programs showcasing

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their success and passion for agriculture," Ketchen said. "We also use this as an opportunity to recognize community supporters and broadcast the mission of the organization."

FFA members are agriculture's future leaders, future food suppliers, future innovators and more! Whether it is through service projects or community gatherings, National FFA Week is a time for FFA members to raise awareness about agricultural education and the role the National FFA Organization plays in the development of agriculture's future leaders.

The first National FFA week was held in 1948, when the National FFA Board of Directors designated a weeklong celebration to recognize George Washington's example and legacy as a leader and farmer. For the past 75 years, FFA members across the country have taken part in agricultural, leadership and service-based activities during National FFA Week.

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What Is A Hoosier? Indiana Bill — With A Possible Answer — Dies In Committee

By Casey Smith

Who's there? It's definitely not a verdict on the origin of the long-debated Hoosier nickname.

House Bill 1143, which sought to establish "The Hoosier State" as Indiana's official nickname, died in a House government committee Tuesday after historians raised questions about the "Hoosier" origin story outlined within the proposal.

The contention stemmed over the curious history of one Harry Hoosier, which dates back more than two centuries.

Rep. J.D. Prescott, R-Union City, who filed the bill, specifically sought to codify Harry Hoosier as the namesake of the state.

He was born into slavery before becoming a Methodist minister in the 1770s, according to Prescott's bill. Harry Hoosier became well known at the time for preaching to black and white congregations and was a highly respected preacher and orator despite being illiterate.

"I know that there are

multiple different stories as to how we've got that name. Can I say with 100% certainty? I cannot. But I do point to the historical facts," Prescott said. "I think this is the most historically accurate reasoning, and Harry Hoosier is someone that is well deserved of recognition."

A January 2022 Christian Heritage Fellowship article claims Harry Hoosier's story is the "most plausible explanation for the origin of Indiana's nickname.

But the origin of Hoosier has long been questioned and continues to be debated.

Anita Morgan, a senior lecturer in the Department of History at IUPUI and past president of the Indiana Association of Historians told the House committee Tuesday that historians recognize numerous theories exist about the Hoosier nickname. Whether one is true is still uncertain.

She emphasized that historians must follow the documents before verifying "what we hope ... or suspect to be true."

"You want to make sure everything is absolutely accurate. Because if it's not — if one thing comes in that's not absolutely correct — it taints the rest of the story, and people start to question everything else that is there," Morgan said. "Should we honor Harry Hoosier in this state? Sure. Why not? But as the namesake of our state? We don't have the

evidence to support that." Morgan added it's "difficult to think" that a man who died in 1806 would be influential in Indiana as late as 1830, when newspapers first started referring to people of the state as Hoosiers.

"Unfortunately for Harry Hoosier - who was an amazing person — without having any association with Indiana whatsoever, there is no documentation to tie him to the state. It just does not exist," Morgan said. "A lot of us would be incredibly happy if that were true, because it would put this whole idea of, 'Where does Hoosier come from?' to rest once and for all."

"I've had this conversation a lot over the last few decades, and we all have our favorite idea of

where this name comes from," she continued. "But I think in the end, it doesn't matter where it comes from. It's our name. It's who we are. It's probably a mixture of a lot of things that it comes from, but not from this amazing man who died 30 years before it became common usage in this state.'

Committee chairman Rep. Doug Miller, R-Elkhart, agreed, saying "there's more work to be done on this particular issue.'

"I think, obviously, there's differing points of view on historical accuracy," Miller said Tuesday. "I think it's a pretty big deal for the state of Indiana to take this step, so we want to get it right."

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leparks.activityreg.com or in-person at Crawfordsville Parks and Recreation until March 4.

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Town of Darlington: Part of the East half of the Northwest quarter of Section 8, Township 19 North, Range 3 West, Montgomery County, Indiana, described as follows: Beginning at a point 6 rods west and 3 chains and 58 links north of the southeast corner of said northwest quarter; thence west 10 chains and 39 links; thence north 1 chain and 39 links; thence east 10 chains and 39 links to the place of beginning, containing 1.32 acres, more or less. Subject to all highways, rights of way and easements. EXCEPT: Part of the said half of said Northwest quarter described as follows: Beginning 438.74 feet west 3 chains and 58 links north of the southeast corner of said northwest quarter and running thence west 346 feet; thence north 1 chain and 39 links; thence east 346 feet; thence south 1 chain and 39 links to the place of beginning, containing 0.73 of an acre, more or less. Subject to all highways, rights of way and easements. Containing in all after said exception 0.59 of an acre, more or less Subject to all highways, rights of way and easements. More commonly known as: 404 Pike St, Darlington, IN 47940

Parcel No. : 54-08-08-224-004.000-015

Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.

Sheriff of Montgomery County Alan W. McEwan

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Franklin Township 404 Pike St, Darlington, IN, 47940 Street Address

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SERVICE DIRECTED TO: 404 Pike St MANNER OF SERVICE: Sheriff

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By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54D01-2205-MF-000409 wherein U.S. Bank National Association was Plaintiff, and M&D Service Center Inc and Christopher C. Miller, were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 12th day of April, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter sa is possible, at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Lots numbered 12, 13, 14, 25 and 26 as the same are known and designated on the recorded Plat of Highland Park Addition to the City of Crawfordsville, as platted

by Enoch Simms, upon part of the west half of the southeast quarter of Section 5, township 18 north, range 4 west, in Montgomery County, Indiana, EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT: Beginning at a 5/8" by 24" capped rebar stamped Deckard Srvy. Firm #44 (hereinafter referred to as a Deckard rebar) marking the southeast corner of said lot numbered 14, thence north 27 degrees 05 minutes 48 seconds west (relative to a previous survey bearing of cardinal North and South along Meridian Avenue in said Addition) along the easterly lines of the above referenced Lots and their northwesterly extension for a distance of 156.74 feet to a Deckard Rebar in the center line of a 12 foot wide vacated alley; thence north 89 degrees 58 minutes 16 seconds west with said center line for a distance of 57.01 feet to a Deckard rebar; thence leaving said center line and running thence south 01 degrees 33 minutes 00 seconds west for a distance of 139.12 feet to a P.K. nail on the south line of lot numbered 14; thence south 89 degrees 47 minutes 10 seconds east with said south line for a distance of 133.0 feet to the place of beginning, containing 0.305 acres, more or

More commonly known as: 1215 Danville Ave, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 Parcel No.: 10-05-442-115.000-030
Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made

without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.

Alan W. McEwan 24051-49 Sheriff of Montgomery County

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Indianapolis, IN 46204

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1215 Danville Ave Crawfordsville, IN 47933 MANNER OF SERVICE: Sheriff

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TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54D01-2203-MF-000147 wherein U.S. Bank National Association was Plaintiff, and The Unknown Heirs at Law of Tonya L. Hubble a/k/a Tonya L. Thompson, deceased, was Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost. I will expo public sale to the highest bidder, on the 12th day of April, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County,

Lot Numbered 19 as the same is known and designated on the recorded plat of Samuel N. Warbritton's First Addition to the Town of New Market, in Montgo County, Indiana. EXCEPTING THEREFROM, 25 feet of even and equal width off of

and from the North end of said Lot.

More commonly known as: 205 1st St, New Market, IN 47965 Parcel No.: 54-15-06-222-049.001-022

Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws. Scott Township

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205 1st St, New Market, IN 47965 Street Address

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Indianapolis, IN 46204 205 1st St, New Market, IN 47965

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Occupants of 205 1st St New Market, IN 47965 MANNER OF SERVICE: Sheriff

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By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Montgomery Superior Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No.: 54D02-2201-MF-000064, wherein Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, was Plaintiff, and Estate of Alan W. Crouse, was/were Defendant(s), requiring me to make the sum as provided or in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 12 day of April, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 AM or as soon thereafter as s possible, at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the hole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Lot Numbered 25, as the same is known and designated on the Recorded Plat of the Falls of Meahme Subdivision. More Commonly Known As: 1145 South Weemiak Trail, Crawfordsville, IN

54-11-10-221-014.000-025

Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws. Sheriff of Montgomery County

MARINOSCI LAW GROUP, P.C. 455 West Lincolnway, Ste. B, Valparaiso, IN 46385 City of Crawfordsville

SERVICE DIRECTED TO: Estate of Alan W. Crouse 215 South Water Street Clinton, IN 47842 Estate of Alan W. Crouse 1145 South Weemiak Trail William A. Goebel 118 East Main Street, Ste. 300

P.O. Box 806

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Notice to Bidders

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of New Richmond, Indiana (hereinafter referred to as "Town Council") will receive sealed bids begining on the first day of publication of this notice and continuing day-to-day until March 1, 2023 for the sale of the following surplus items:

2019 Grasshopper Mower: Model No. 725DT, Serial No. 6-13686, N Zero Turn Mower. The minimum bid for the mower shall be \$3,500.00

• 2002 Ford Super Duty F450 Truck: VIN No. 1FDXF47F72ED11926
The Minimum bid for the Ford Truck shall be \$1,500.00.

Bids may be forwarded individually by registered mail or delivered to New

Richmond Town Hall, Attn: Town Council President, PO Box 210, 110 South Wabash Street, New Richmond, IN 47967 prior to 1p.m. March 1, 2023.

All Bids will be considered by the Town Council at a public meeting held March 1, 2023, located at New Richmond Fire Station, 215 South Prairie St., New Richmond, IN, and opened and read aloud at said Town Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. (local time) on March 1, 2023.

Bidders should contact Alaathea Foust, Clerk/ Treasurer, at (765) 339-4507 to arrange an inspection of the equipment and vehicle.

Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name, phone number and address of the bidder and the bid opening date. The bid documents to be submitted by each bidders shall consist of the name, phone number, and address of bidder and bid amount.

The Town of New Richmond Town Council reserves the right to ask for clarification for any bid submitted. The New Richmond Town Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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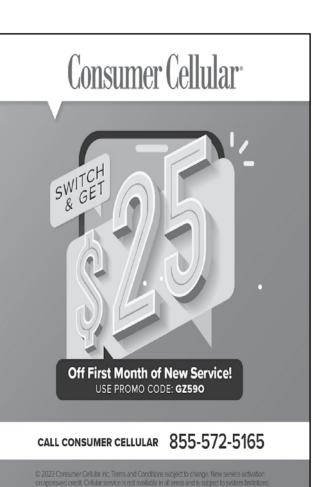
Wingate Civil Town, Montgomery County, Indiana Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2022						
Governmental Activities	1101	GENERAL	\$170,821.11	\$113,249.31	\$93,126.72	\$190,943.70
	2201	MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY	\$12,803.04	\$8,615.02	\$800.00	\$20,618.06
	2202	LOCAL ROAD AND STREET	\$10,127.40	\$2,481.55	\$3,478.47	\$9,130.48
	2203	MVH RESTRICTED (SUBFUND OF MO- TOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY)	\$12,697.43	\$5,209.84	\$0.00	\$17,907.27
	2223	SANITATION (OPERATING MOSTLY FROM TAX REVENUES - N	\$18,161.99	\$15,404.92	\$18,646.33	\$14,920.58
	2228	LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTINU- ING EDUCATION FUND	\$450.00	\$4.00	\$0.00	\$454.00
	2235	RIVERBOAT (UNLESS RESTRICTED TO INFRASTRUCTURE USE	\$6,230.92	\$1,334.57	\$666.66	\$6,898.83
	2236	RAINY DAY	\$17,195.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,195.00
	2240	LIT – PUBLIC SAFETY	\$47,868.49	\$16,192.00	\$19,463.26	\$44,597.23
	2256	OPIOID UNRESTRICTED	\$0.00	\$374.55	\$0.00	\$374.55
	2300	PARK DONATION (IF USED FOR OTHER THAN CAPITAL ITEM	\$960.70	\$0.00	\$51.48	\$909.22
	2401	ARP - CORONA LOCAL FISCAL RELIEF	\$30,027.75	\$30,255.07	\$0.00	\$60,282.82
	4401	CUMULATIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT - CIGARETTE TAX	\$6,643.51	\$430.15	\$0.00	\$7,073.66
	8901	PAYROLL	\$0.00	\$13,456.31	\$13,456.31	\$0.00
WASTEWATER	6201	SEWAGE UTILITY OPERATING	\$9,920.85	\$89,882.15	\$93,763.43	\$6,039.57
	6501	STORM WATER UTILITY OPERATING	\$33,613.79	\$7,271.50	\$4,163.14	\$36,722.15
WATER	6101	WATER UTILITY OPERATING	\$14,641.41	\$123,937.64	\$93,033.25	\$45,545.80
	6104	WATER UTILITY METER DEPOSIT	\$3,750.92	\$1,050.00	\$150.00	\$4,650.92
		Total All Funds	\$395,914.31	\$429,148.58	\$340,799.05	\$484,263.84

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New Richmond Civil Town, Montgomery County, Indiana Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2022 Disburse-Local Fund **Local Fund Name** Beg Cash & Inv End Cash & Inv Receipts Bal Dec. 31, 2022 Governmental 1101 GENERAL FUND \$85,868.87 \$131,280.42 \$112,171.84 \$104,977.45 MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY 2201 \$7,602.00 \$11.888.38 \$9.984.33 \$9.506.05 LOCAL ROAD & STREET 2202 \$9,726.50 \$3,773.41 \$8,000.00 \$5,499.91 MVH RESTRICTED \$10,003.09 2203 \$6,717.10 \$10,000.00 \$6,720.19 2228 LOCAL LAW ENF CONT ED \$764.96 \$28.00 \$792.96 \$2,000.00 2235 RIVERBOAT \$1,739.94 \$3,755.61 \$4,015.67 2236 RAINY DAY \$15,049.27 \$7,417.10 \$7,632.17 2240 LIT - PUBLIC SAFETY \$9,683.64 \$20,736.00 \$11,469.87 \$18,949.77 OPIOD SETTLEMENT UNRESTR 2256 \$0.00 \$474.59 \$0.00 \$474.59 2257 OPIOD SETTLEMENT RESTR \$0.00 \$1,107.39 \$0.00 \$1,107.39 HOLIDAY DONATIONS FUND \$1.305.50 \$1,472.50 2300 \$551.56 \$384.56 2301 PARKS & RECREATION \$426.78 \$118.23 \$558.55 \$250.00 IPEP SAFTY GRANT \$1,425.35 2401 \$0.00 \$1,425.35 \$0.00 ARP GRANT 2476 \$30,965.32 \$37,875.71 \$34,217.64 \$34,623.39 COMMUNITY ROOM 2500 \$2,701.91 \$1,500.00 \$1,150.03 \$3,051.88 \$409.45 2505 LAGOON REPAIR DONATION FU \$409.45 \$0.00 \$0.00 4401 CUM CAP IMP - CIG TAX \$2,099.52 \$560.83 \$0.00 \$2,660.35 \$6.655.20 4402 CCD / CUM CAP DEVELOPMENT \$5,711.04 \$2,944.16 \$2,000.00 TRASH & GARBAGE PICKUP \$3,017.15 \$22,472.00 \$23,688.53 \$1,800.62 6604 SERVLINE INSURANCE 6607 \$434.80 \$5,445.50 \$5,491.75 \$388.55 8901 PAYROLL \$2,209.38 \$60,912.97 \$62,448.45 \$673.90 SEWER UTILITY OPERATING \$2,501.74 \$105,514.49 WASTEWATER 6201 \$103,931.53 \$918.78 SEWER SINKING \$52,578.24 \$52,578.24 \$0.00 6202 \$0.00 6204 SEWER LIFT STATION UPGRADE \$5,158.28 \$0.00 \$2,381.42 \$2,776.86 SEWER DEBT RESERVE 6299 \$37,062.08 \$18.54 \$37,080.62 WATER UTILITY OPERATING WATER \$1,727.58 \$66,928.33 \$2,986.36 6101 \$65,669.55 6102 WATER SINKING \$553.93 \$7,247,19 \$6,647.19 \$1,153,93 6104 WATER UTL METER DEPOSIT \$16,940.07 \$3,403.00 \$2,050.00 \$18,293.07 TOTAL ALL FUNDS \$255,184.59 \$546,544.08 \$528,305.96 \$273,422.71

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State Needs More Emergency Responders, Takes Aim At Training

By Whitney Downard

Indiana's emergency responders, especially volunteer firefighters, might be getting more funding for training and gear in the next state budget.

Gov. Eric Holcomb's proposed budget earmarks more than \$13 million to expand training opportunities for these volunteers, most of whom work in rural counties. Currently, large swaths of the state are more than 45 minutes away from one of the 14 existing state-funded facilities.

"We've made a lot of progress in terms of our first responders," Holcomb said last week. "But what we really want – as with our infrastructure program, as we've done with our public health commission - we really wanted this to be data driven."

If approved by lawmakers, the \$13 million will fund an additional 16 facilities, meaning nearly every corner of the state will be less than 30 miles from a training facility.

"We've on the road now," Joel Thacker, the executive director of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), said about how soon new regional sites could be built. Thacker, the previous State Fire Marshal, oversees the state's emergency response system as the leader of DHS

Building such facilities required more forethought, Thacker noted, because they needed to be isolated from neighborhoods but still have connections to a continuous water supply.

"My hope is that (planning is) all wrapped up when the money is approved so we can hit the ground running and

start seeing these under construction," Thacker said.

The importance of training close to home Rep. Randy Frye, a retired Indianapolis firefighter, said he joined the service because it was high adrenaline and high risk, just like the sports he

played in high school. But committing to the 10-week course as a volunteer firefighter balancing a job and family can be difficult - especially because training is "far more intense and involved" than it was 20 years ago, Frye said.

"Some of it is we've learned a lot. We have a very high cancer rate amongst firefighters and we learned that some of that was because we weren't taking care of ourselves. We weren't doing the proper training or wearing the proper protection," Frye, R-Greensburg, said.

Having facilities closer to potential volunteers makes it easier to recruit someone to the demanding profession and provides high-quality training that could save their lives.

"Public safety in general – whether it's law enforcement, EMS (Emergency Medical Services), the fire service – all of our recruiting numbers are down," Thacker said. "I think our lives are so busy, it's hard for us to really make that additional sacrifice or take on additional responsibilities outside of the home.

At the beginning of his career in 1984, Frye said that he didn't use a self-contained breathing apparatus frequently, something "we should have been wearing all along."

Additionally, homes today are often treated with

more fire protectants and catch fire less often than older homes. But the use of composite materials in modern homes means that, if the home does catch fire, it burns much faster and the fumes are more dangerous.

Frye said today, a floor joist or truss might burn in 10 minutes, compared to the hour firefighters used to have. This weakens the floor and makes it more dangerous for emergency responders to enter a home.

Frye retired from the service in 2010, the same year he joined the General Assembly. He is spearheading a handful of legislative efforts to recruit firefighters, especially younger Hoosiers to offset the aging volunteer service whose members are, on average, in their 50s.

"We have to find other ways to attract new volunteer firefighters," Frye said. "If we had to pay for it, it would cost billions of dollars. We can't afford to lose it."

Volunteer fire units traditionally have a lower call volume than their career counterparts, though EMS calls over the last few years have grown even as the number of people responding shrinks.

Thacker estimated that nearly three-quarters of the state's emergency responders, specifically firefighters and paramedics, were volunteers - and it's not uncommon for someone in the firefighting industry to cross train as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

But maintaining individual stations, training emergency responders and equipping them is prohibitively expensive.

"It takes about \$12,000

to outfit one firefighter and these organizations don't have the money, Thacker said. "They have to raise money through fish fries and other event just to survive and put gas in their vehicles.'

Additionally, turnout gear – the protective clothing used by firefighters – is supposed to be completely replaced every five years and a self-contained breathing apparatus needs to be replaced every 10 years.

Legislation aims to improve emergency services Several proposals in the Statehouse aim to provide more funding to these services.

Holcomb's budget proposed \$24.2 million for public safety, which includes the \$13.1 million for building and expanding training facilities.

Another \$1.1 million will go to mobile training, or materials and trailers used by DHS for other programming, while the remaining \$10 million will replace volunteer turnout gear and self-contained breathing apparatus - with a priority to replace the oldest equipment from the most impoverished stations.

Outside of the budget, a handful of other bills aim to ease Indiana's shortage of emergency responders - specifically the sweeping proposal to shore up Indiana's public health system.

An analysis of the state's training and workforce development for EMTs was one of the Governor Public Health Commission's recommendations, with a focus on which communities fall short on trauma care.

Emergency responders with medical training are even more important in rural areas far from

hospitals because the majority of calls to EMS are time sensitive or require treating someone with significant trauma. Most firefighters are dual certified as EMTs and roughly 70% of calls to their stations are for emergency services, not fires.

Under the public health bill, which passed the Senate Appropriations Committee on Thursday, emergency services will get nearly \$14.7 million. Ambulances, which can cost over \$300,000, were added into the bill as one of the "core health services" which public health grant funding can cover.

"That's great because we have a shortage of ambulances, we have a shortage of people that operate ambulances," Thacker said. "When I was fire chief, we could put a request in to build an ambulance and get it in 180 days. Now it's two years and the cost has increased.'

Other bills include a proposal to better mesh emergency dispatch systems across county lines and another easing the splitting of local income taxes between government entities to fund fire districts.

"In the last couple of years, I feel like we have really had a lot of attention and a lot of focus from local and state leaders to try to make a difference, to try to make things better," Thacker said.

But Thacker said that while the current injection of funding would stabilize and build out the training infrastructure, but more is still needed to secure a sustainable source of revenue.

Currently, Indiana funds its public safety

training fund, its fire training infrastructure fund and disaster relief fund through a 5% public safety fee on fireworks. A bill from Frye would combine those funds with Indiana's Homeland Security Fund, paid for through First Responder license plate purchases, into one overall fund that includes scholarships.

Volunteer firefighters are now eligible for scholarships to Ivy Tech to cover tuition and books as part of an annual \$125,000 appropriation through the budget.

Last week Holcomb said funding for the state's emergency responders would be something to address, especially in his last budget as governor.

"We're not at halftime yet, but we will meet with the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tem," he said. "We're talking about our shared priorities and this is on all of our radar."

With better training and more funding for equipment, hopefully younger generations will volunteer as emergency responders in their communities.

"The goal of this is to help make it better. Is it enough? No. We've got to continue to do better; we've got to sustain this moving forward," Thacker said. "But it's certainly a great start."

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bers. This is invaluable. By paying a fee, serving on active committees, and helping out with the physical space, the artists themselves literally made it possible to move into our clean, new space on Main Street. They walk the walk! It's high time to celebrate the fine artists who quietly make serving our community part of

their artistic lives.' On Friday evening, February 24, the community is invited to the public opening of "Come Celebrate the Artists of Athens! exhibition. Between 6-8 pm, the member artists and a guest glassmaker artist will be on hand to greet visitors. Refreshments will be served and one of central Indiana's well known guitarists, Ryan Foxworthy, will perform solo sets of original music along with folk, rock, country, Americana, blues, and R&B covers. The new sound system at Athens Arts will make this a special treat. Don't miss it!

Your community Athens Arts artists bring us a remarkable range of arts and styles. Work on display ranges from cards, earrings, and tidbit décor to large canvases with wide-ranging subjects in several media. Here are your Athens Arts artists in thumbnail sketches:

Dr. Alice Harper held her childhood passion for drawing at bay as she developed a distinguished career in education. Then she turned her formidable talents to painting. Her brilliant, colorful landscape work frequently draws the judge's eye at plein air competitions. Her bold landscapes make her one of the most collected

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artists in the area. Come and see "Splash

Ms. Anne Viray Sipahimahani was entirely immersed in art growing up. She's a multi-media artist who for years operated creativeLAB in downtown Crawfordsville. Anne works with fibers, clay, leather, metal, and even digital art. Come see her jewelry.

Ms. Nina Cunningham's "heart-centered" work pulls down awards from national competitions. She has had full exhibitions in Lafayette and beyond. Nina creates stories and moments of life in her work. Whether an assemblage of pink metal roses and mousetraps, cans, and light sockets that challenge a viewer, or a delicate fabric-stitched heart, or a drawing of hennaed hands, Nina's works always explore. Her work flew off the shelves for Valentine's

Day. Come see "Hope." Ms. Judith Lynn Smith has been a teacher and a business executive who now has turned her wide-ranging talents more fully to art. Her oil paintings of sunsets and water into which a viewer gazes have attracted a fanbase. Judith's renderings of a pelican or a fistful of gathered lilies or a quiet mountainscape carry with them the mystery held deep in nature itself. Come see "Distant Mountains." Judith Lynn also runs the popular Athens Arts art

book club. Dr. John Zimmerman is a fine arts photographer widely known for capturing majesty and intimacy with equal skill and grace. Whether a slice of cake on a Viennese café table, bikes leaning on a bridge, or the steaming cauldron of Iceland's gevsirs, John's eye renders it flawlessly. Perhaps nothing trains a photographer's eye like a career in chemistry that John had at Wabash College. Come see his 2023 calendar.

Mr. Gary Edwards has written a novel and had a distinguished career as a university administrator, but he's always been most at home with tools and wood. He can lean toward the practical and has by building kitchen cabinets, all sorts of furniture, decorative boxes, rolling pins....But his ability to see "the beauty just waiting to be exposed" in fallen wood sets his breath-taking work apart. Come see his "Dizzy Bowl."

Ms. Carol Baird works in many media, especially oil, watercolor, and recently, in alcohol inks. Come see her lovely, gauzy landscapes, animal forms, and flowers like the peony in "Blush." She captures evanescencehow fleeting beauty can be—and solace.

Mr. James Hubbard exhibits in shows all over the world, working out of his Thorntown studio. His stunning block prints transform patterns in land, water, the sky, and, even the universe itself, into lines and colors that speak (through lightning-bolt strokes) to the heart of things. James' focus on etching and printing has released his deepest muse:

etched lines "become soul sanctuaries where viewers can quietly contemplate the pulse, poetry and riot of nature." Come see his "Midwest Maize."

Ms. Kathryn J. Houghton's work is widely known for its brilliance all over our state. It is regularly selected for Hoosier Salons, Indiana's most competitive art show. She is a full-time studio artist whose exquisite rendering of flowers, gardens, and fruit make her work widely known throughout the Midwest. Come see "A Cottage Garden." Kathy is also a stone artist and does hand engravings of artwork on headstones. She accepts commissions.

Ms. Kenya Ferrand-Ott has a world-wide web presence and does commissions and sells around the globe. Her inspiration too is the natural world, but she most often turns her eye toward the glory and action-packed ferocity of the animal kingdom. Wild animals are her deepest passion. Kenya is popular among young collectors: her work sometimes sees the world through a roar and an open jaw; she can also render a majesterial bison in a snowstorm. Come and see "This Is Not a Monster" and "Silver Bison." Kenya was responsible for the first-of-its-kind Wild Pride show in 2021.

In addition to these fine artists, visitors can also see the glowing glasswork of Sharon Owens, Visiting Artist. Sharon is a Lafayette native who studied in Germany and Italy, in Florida, Illinois, Washington state, and

North Carolina. In her studio she produces unique hand-blown furnace glass vessels and sculpture. She promotes local artists, offering them this rare, super-heated workspace

A final special feature of "Celebrate the Artists of Athens!" is some of the work of former Athens Arts artist Mike Abney (1941-2019). Mike was a gifted and beloved woodworker. He seasoned his own wood and made many of his own tools. Upon his death, his widow gifted 20 of Mike's beautiful bowls and other work to Athens Arts. All proceeds from their sales goes to support children's programming at the Gallery. Mike often worked with knots, burls, spalted wood, and crotch pieces, things others would have tossed away. Maybe Mike Abney was the inventor of live edge wood

working! Overall operation of Athens Arts is under the capable and innovative direction of Director Diana McCormick, and of a talented board of directors chaired by president Elaine Chase. Chase has been an invaluable leader and "community helper" during the move and remodeling of the new space. After the ribbon-cutting at the new location on September 30, 2022, even more major upgrading has taken place.

During January, Athens Arts was (except for a few classes) closed to the public while UV light-filtering film was installed on the front windows to better protect the art. In the interior of the space, the kitchen area was relocated

and remodeled, opening up and freeing additional classroom and display space. A new counter workspace, built in storage for art supplies, and new art library shelves create a more functional and elegant space for artists, students, and visitors alike. The improved state of the new hanging system offers welcome flexibility. All the gallery walls are freshly painted and the new sound system is a game-changer.

Looking around the gallery, Elaine smiles, her eyes gleam: she can see not only the completed, fresh space, but also all the coordinated details that hundreds of community helper hours put in to make this elegant remodel possible. She commends especially two lead volunteers, Teresa Huxhold and Rick Chase, for much of the core design, the construction, and the painting. Both gave untold hours of time, talent, professional and problem-solving skills to bring this transformation to fruition. "So now come and see the Gallery and our wonderful artists' works," she adds. It's certainly as striking as any "No Demo Reno" on television.

Athens Arts is a notfor-profit offering vibrant opportunities to engage the community in the arts. Check out the Athens Arts website and Facebook pages—and visit often. Athens Arts is located at 216 E. Main (across from Little Mexico) and is open Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. or by appointment.



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program, the Residential Crisis Stabilization Unit, serves people being released from the state psychiatric hospital, meaning they have the most treatment-resistant diagnoses and have had legal issues in which the state treated her clients rather than incarcerating them. She helps those clients avoid institutionalization.

Christensen's program is part of a larger system run by her organization, and others in the state. Her company – she is speaking solely as a professional, not as a representative of her organization, so she asked it not be named – treats children, adolescents, people with cognitive disabilities, homelessness, substance use disorders, mental illness, as well as veterans and senior citizens.

"If their condition is in the DSM-5 (The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders 5th ed.), we treat them," said Christensen.

Presently in the U.S., mental illness and substance abuse disorders are involved in one of every eight emergency department visits, according to the National Association of Mental Illness (NAMI). Mood disorders are the most common cause of hospitalization for all people under 45. Thirty-seven percent of incarcerated adults have a diagnosed mental illness; almost 21 percent of people experiencing homelessness have a serious MH condition; 15 percent of U.S. vets experienced a mental illness in 2019 alone; and, 70 percent of youth in the juvenile justice system have a diagnosable condition. Serious mental illness causes an estimated loss of \$193 billion in lost

earnings. Those problems are not equally distributed across states and communities. States that have prioritized spending dollars to improve community mental health have much lower rates of homelessness, incarceration, hospitalization, crime and suicide. Maryland is in the top 10 for treating and reducing mental illness. Indiana is close to the bottom - 43rd out of 50 states. Indiana has more adults with mental illness, substance abuse disorders and serious thoughts of suicide, more who have not received treatment and who lack insurance to be treated. Furthermore, we have more adults with cognitive disabilities who cannot see a doctor because of costs. That puts more pressure on our police, legal systems, local hospitals, schools, non-profits and HUD. Maryland chose to prioritize programs that would address root causes. Illinois, the state in which Christensen did her internship, jumped from nearly the 30th position in 2018 to No. 10 in 2021 through aggressive funding of proven programs modeled in Maryland and other states.

In states, where community hospitals and jails are the primary treatment options for people experiencing mental illness and substance use disorder, there are huge gaps in treatment. A community hospital can usually release a person with two or four weeks of medications while they frequently wait 45 to 60 days to get continued care. Their medications run out and they aren't getting therapy.

"There's a lot of people that are surviving on too little support and are frequent, frequent fliers of high recidivism with only community hospitals," said Christensen. Those hospitals lose dollars for that recidivism. Jail recidivism costs us all: court and legal fees, jail budgets, lost wages, rent and house payments skipped, evictions and repossession of cars, all of these affect the community. "They could stay out of the hospital if they just had a little bit more residential or psychiatric rehab programs in the community," Christensen added.

Her state's counties, like our county, have mobile crisis response teams - or QRTs though each one varies based on the county's spending model. (Note: Given our state's statistics, this is a blessing and demonstrates forward-thinking in our leadership.) In Frederick County, where Christensen lives, the mobile crisis team has a social worker, EMT, doctor, therapist, RN, case manager, vocational specialist and substance abuse counselor who monitor all 911 calls. They can notify any officer responding to a call saying members of their team will come along on the call. Furthermore, Frederick County's PD trains cadets to interact with clients in her system by visiting with staff and clients, learning about their needs and how to relate to and communicate with clients.

Other programs in her system include homelessness support. Professionals seek out tent encampments and offer basic health and safety resources to those who refuse housing. For children and adolescents, they provide in-school programs and respite services for caregivers so they can get date nights, or spend time with other children in the family. Her organization runs domestic violence shelters, as well as programs to work with offenders. The state has also recently opened psychiatric urgent care for those experiencing an acute crisis.

Christensen believes that this variety of programs makes the system work. People are unique and given the numbers of people who experience mental illness in their lives, it's important to talk about it, destigmatize it and allow for "weirdness" by which she means a diversity of a-typical behaviors in our communities.

Christensen explained how her program supported a Gulf War veteran with severe PTSD. For a while, he couldn't live independently because he couldn't go into a supermarket. Once inside, he reacted because he couldn't see the exits and after years of experiencing IED explosions near his base, he needed to know how to escape. Her team spoke to the staff at the supermarket close to where he lived. They walked him through the store, showing him all the exits, including how to escape out the back if he needed. "Now he can go to the supermarket. Just that one store, but he can do it," which means he can live independently now. But that required trained professionals with empathy to help both the individual and the community learn how to help each other. It required paying professionals and building programs that meet each person in their condition and help them toward wellness and integration.

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and girls and they have every right to make their

own choices. As do you. As do I.

And so long as none of us try to make our choices mandatory to someone else, all is well. I learned a long time ago that my rights go all the way to the point where your rights begin. And vice-versa.

Or at least it used to be that way.

Today, whether it's gay rights, the teachers' union protesting at the Statehouse, the gun argument or any number of other things . . . the battle lines are pretty rigid. Think not? Tell a group of liberals you're a conservative - or the other way around - and see what happens next.

What happened to we'll agree to disagree? No, I don't mean that dripping-with-sarcasm-rendition of agreeing to disagree. I mean

the kind where we don't see eye to eye, understand that we don't have to and not let it boil over into a slugfest.

Are we that obsessed with being right, with our side winning?

Let's be clear. A lot of us walked to school. What're the next lines. . uphill . . . both ways? Our memories tend to skew a bit. Perhaps we might 'member things a bit better than what they actually were? If that is so, forgive us.

But I don't think it's a stretch to say that in days' past, people could disagree without going to Defcon 2.

What's changed? Am I sure my version of the world is right? I believe it is, but could I "prove" it in a court of law? Don't be silly. How do you "prove" love, faith, belief? How do I "prove" the existence of God in heaven? How do I "prove" any

Thing is, I don't have to. I believe and I believe with all my heart. That's all that matters.

But doesn't that also mean that I have to acknowledge and allow others to do the same, even if I think they are wrong, just as surely as they think I am?

Of course. I'm not sorry we disagree. It'd be a pretty sad world if we all thought exactly the same. But I am sorry that we live in a world where those disagreements have turned so ugly. All I can tell you is I'll try to do better on

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