⇒ TODAY'S VERSE

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Habakkuk 3:19 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places.

⇒ FACES of **MONTGOMERY**

People who call our community their own.



From left to right: Shawn, Elijah, Shawn jr Hilsabeck and Philip Idle smile happily from Hope Chapel serving food and gathering testimonies of God's greatness of saving lives. Thank you for your smiles!

⇒ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

The average, garden variety Sunflower is said to weigh a pound or two, a mere fraction of the sunflowers the Welsh Fortey farming family are used to, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. In 2021 the Forteys earned the Guinness World Record for growing an 11.5 pound sunflower; this year they outdid themselves nurturing a sunflower that weighed in at more than 14.21 pounds. It's not surprising; the family has been growing sunflowers for more than a century and their seeds are known to grow what are officially known as Fortey Giant Sunflowers.

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The 500 Festival has selected Lester B Sommer Elementary School to participate in a mobile study trip for the 500 Festival & Indianapolis 500 Education Program, presented by Indiana University Health on Monday, March 6, 2023. The mobile study trips immerse Indiana 4th grade students in the world of the 500 Festival and Indianapolis 500, exploring their important place in Indiana's history and culture. The Education Program is a combination of classroom work - based on an Indiana Academic Standards-based curriculum - and a study trip that brings classroom material to life. To provide the maximum number of Indiana students with an opportunity to engage with this storied piece of Indiana history, the 500 Festival is offering mobile study trips to an exclusive group of schools. The program is offered to schools free of charge and the 500 Festival provides all resources, including an IndyCar that is featured on the trip. The trip is Monday, March 6, 2023 from 12:15 - 2:15 p.m. at 3794 W US Hwy 13, Crawfordsville, IN 47933. Please RSVP to Lindsay Labas at 317-614-6141 or llabas@500festival.com if you plan on attending, so they may coordinate needs.

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Preston Bost, Samantha Swearingen, Sara Rivera and Tom Klein celebrate the success!

United Way Exceeds Drive Goal

Dr. Kathy Steele, 2022 chair is pleased to announce the campaign total of \$361,560, exceeding the goal of \$350,000. The funds raised in the campaign support on-going operation of United Way programs and 19 partner non-profit agencies in Montgomery Couny who tirelessly work to help individuals and families with the challenges they face. All campaign contributions are an investment in our community.

"Through the United Way

Immigrant

\$7K Grant

Allies Earns

The national nonprofit Wel-

coming America has chosen

Immigrant Allies, a committee

of Humans United for Equal-

ity (a non-profit organization

in Crawfordsville), to receive

Immigrant Allies is one of only

competitive process, Immigrant

Allies was chosen because of

its commitment to building a

community.

and family.

more welcoming and inclusive

Immigrant Allies will use the

grant, in collaboration with the

Mayor's office, to begin a local

Both immigrant and non-immi-

grant people in Crawfordsville,

public transportation service.

IN, have no access to public

them to work, grocery stores,

cannot drive or do not own a

car or motorcycle must find

on the good graces of friends

or doctor's offices. Those who

other means or consistently rely

transportation that can take

twelve recipients to earn this

grant nationally. Through a

a \$7,000 grant as part of its

Fund to Foster Belonging.

campaign, our community comes together to support one another," said Steele. "We may not face a daily struggle or currently have a major life emergency, but we are thankful that there are agencies in place ready to assist when we do. The United Way agencies are our emergency kit; there for our families, our neighbors, and our community."

The 2023 partner agencies

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Butch Offers His Advice To The Rich And Famous



BUTCH DALE Columnist

Yes, in addition to my many other jobs, I also answer letters from those forlorn famous folks who request my advice. Here are a few....

Dear Butch, After having been married for many years, I seem to have lost all sexual desire for my husband, and he seems to have lost interest in me. I realize that some of my luster and appeal have dimished, too. What can I do to to make myself more desirable and reignite our love?" Signed, Hillary Clinton

.Dear Hillary, Forget it... ain't gonna happen.

"Dear Butch, I am seriously considering running for office. I was elected one other time,

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Photo courtesy of Montgomery County 4-H

4-H programs, I am assured

that we have great leaders with

big hearts that will continue to

The 4-H Junior Leaders were able to donate 554 pounds of food to FISH Food Pantry!

4-H Giving Back, **One Pound At A Time**



ABBY MORGAN
Purdue Extension Office

EXTENSION

With everything going on in today's society, I know there are many who wonder what the future will look for the

youth in our

make a positive impact wherever they go. While there are many needs not only in our local community but globally, the 4-H Junior Leader officers identified one way that they could commit to something bignext generation. Howger than themselves. They put ever, when others needs before their own I look at the

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⇒ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

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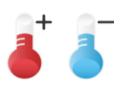
Corporation will meet for a regular meeting on Thursday, March 9,

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The Daily Almanac

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Today is... • National Anthem Day • Dress In Blue Day



What Happened On This Day

• 1991 Footage of Los Angeles police officers severely beating Rodney King causes a global outcry. The acquittal of the police officers involved sparked the Los Angeles riots in 1992

• 1938 The world's fastest steam locomotive is built. The Mallard could reach a speed of over 100 miles per hour (160 km/h)

• 1985 The U.K. miners' strike ends. The year-long dispute was the country's longest-running industrial dispute and a defining

issue of Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government





Births On This Day • 1847 Alexander Graham

Bell Scottish/American engineer, invented the

Telephone • 1977 Ronan Keating American philosopher

Deaths On This Day • 1983 Hergé

Belgian illustrator • 1987 Danny Kaye

American actor

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🗢 TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Take family walks - it's good

exercise and good for conversation.

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.

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We're in the middle of the longest stretch of the calendar without a holiday. From Presidents' Day to Memorial Day, nada. Boomers are fine, but I'm a little worried about the younger folks.





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EDITION

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Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933. The public is invited to attend.

TODAY'S QUOTE

For Your Information

"The stormy March has come at last. With winds and clouds and changing skies; hear the rushing of the blast that through the snowy valley flies." William C. Bryant

TODAY'S JOKE

Can February March? No, but April May!

OBITUARIES



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







American Pickers To Film In Indiana

The American Pickers are excited to return to Indiana! They plan to film episodes of The History Channel hit television series throughout your area in April 2023.

AMERICAN PICKERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique "picking" on The History Channel. The hit show follows skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques.

They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the interesting stories behind them. As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, the Pickers are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics.

Along the way, they want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items. They hope to give historically significant objects a new lease on life while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way. The Pickers have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

We at American Pickers continue to take the pandemic very seriously and will be following all guidelines and protocols for safe filming outlined by the state and CDC. Nevertheless, we are excited to continue reaching the many collectors in the area to discuss their years of picking and are eager to hear their memorable stories!

The American Pickers TV Show is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through we would love to hear from you! Please note, the Pickers DO NOT pick stores, flea markets, malls, auction businesses, museums, or anything open to the public. If interested, please send us your name, phone number, location, and description of the collection with photos to:

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Senior High Honor

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Gavin Berry, Kyle Bowman, Grace Brewer, William Bulan, Bryce Callis, Alexander Chapman, Sophia Craig, Miranda Crowe, Ella Fritzen, Brooklynn Hamm, Jacob Hughes, Jarrod Kirsch, Brooklyn Kruse, Payton Kunz, Garrett Linker, Sophia Morris, Grace Moseley, Sydney Neideffer, Israel Rose, Brent Runyan, Emily Schaub, Samuel Sheetz, Tanner Stultz, Trista Thomas, and Gavyn Waldon.

Junior A&B Honor

Annabel Anderson, Logan Bailey, Kaidence Bullock, Annabel Cain, Colin Campbell, Ellen Gable, Kayla Hoffman, Maggie Horn, Paige Hudson, Kennedy Isbell, Seth Kruse, Ashlyn Lee, Paul Lueking, Nathan McCoy, Corbin Meadows, Arianna Osterhoudt, Shayna Ratcliff, Jacob Rice, Eva Rose, Kennady Sanders, Zurisadai Santana Roldan, Julia Shafer, Trevor Voorhees, Kaitlyn Waddell, and Tacie Woodall. **Sophomore High**

Anna Cain, Kelby Coon,

Andrew Dark, Nicholas

Daron, Owen DeSmet,

Emma Doughty, Kellen

Piper Leaming, Jonathan

Ireland, Lauren Kelp,

Lueking, Kendra Mc-

Clamroch, Mackenzie

McComas, Owen Nich-

ols, Bennett Oppy, Mar-

lee Reed, Lucia South-

Caden Tyo, Lindsay

Waddell, Isaiah War-

necke, Sophie Welshim-

Hayden Allen, Aiden

er, Samuel Woolwine,

Ambriz-Cruz, Han-

nan Barnes, Elizabeth

Joseph Zuk.

wood, Carter Thompson,

Honor Roll

Noelle Barnhart, Alek Bayless, Krestyn Bradford, James Brooks, Cade Cole, Justin Coleman, Sarika Gabhawala, Avery Gayler, Ashlyn Godbey, Zachary Herron, Abbie Johnson, Brooklyn Kerns, Hailey Kunz, Kamilah Large, Ava Mershon, Blair Nichols, Ava Nunan, Bailey Patton, Emma Pyle, Zuleyka Rivera, Kayla Sankey, Julia Shea, Katelyn Shepherd, Jovie Simpkins, Clauddia Smedley, Jayden Thompson, and Callie Wright.

Sophomore A&B **Honor Roll**

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Freshman High Honor Roll

Justin Ambriz Tapia, Owen Arthur, Gabriella Bavone, Emma Brown, Keaton Brown, Lillian Bryant, Crew Cole. Brylee Cowan, Meadow Douglas, Jaylyn Easterly, Alannis Garcia, Claire Grimes, Jackson Grundy, Lucy Hess, Taylor Hudson, Makenna Hutson, Brenley Lauderbaugh, Emma Leonhardt, Ella McManomy, Audrey Morris, Macee Norman, Sophia Powell, Kyle Ratliff, Dusty Robinson, Sophia Shea, Taelyn Stephens, Katelyn Woolwine, and Nathan Woosley.

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Brooks, Caelyn Carpenter, Rhyan Clemence, Savannah Crowe, Lilly Graham, Tyler Granson, Hunter Haworth, Peyton Hernandez, Tyler Hintz, Madysen Holt, Sarah Hopper, Christian Jara, Brooklyn Jeffers, Samson Jones, Kate Merica, Addisyn Moseley, Bailey Nichols, Viva Patel, Gracie Ratcliff, Courtney Ratliff, Claire Sennett, Talyn Sheldon, Brooklyn

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Boilermaker's Earliest Leaders Walked So Future Leaders Could Run

During the early days of college football, most coaches had other occupations.

No, nothing like those cheesy insurance commercials that fatten the bank accounts of Alabama's Nick Saban and new Colorado coach Deion Sanders.

Take Purdue's first coach in 1887. For the princely sum of "\$1 per lesson," 23-year-old Albert Berg was charged with preparing a team to play against another Indiana school making its collegiate football debut, Butler.

One more thing to know, Berg was a deaf-mute. The cause: a childhood bout of spinal meningitis.

After attending the Indiana Institution for the Deaf in Indianapolis, Berg went on to play football for what is now Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C.

In 1980, Journal and Courier sports writer Paula Waltz recounted the tale of Berg's task of teaching football at Purdue. Only two of his players had ever seen a football.

That was painfully obvious on Oct. 29. when Purdue traveled to Indianapolis and received a 48-6 thrashing. Jacob Sholl scored the first touchdown in school history. He and his teammates returned home, as an Indianapolis newspaper described it, "in a disturbed state of mind."

Purdue wouldn't play another football game until 1889.

Berg would eventually become a teacher at the Indiana School for the Deaf. He would return to Purdue on Nov. 22, 1924 for the Ross-Ade Stadium dedication ceremony. Berg lived to be 80, dying



KEN THOMPSON Columnist

in Council Bluffs, Iowa in 1945.

George Ade, half of that famous stadium duo, wrote years later that Berg "demonstrated the fact that the right kind of hero can overcome almost any handicap."

The next eight men to lead the Boilermakers on the football field were anything but typical football coaches as well.

Harvard-educated G.A. (George Andrew) Reisner's only connection to Purdue football other than his 2-1 record in 1889 was having a niece married to 1930s Boilermaker standout Cecil Isbell.

Archaeology was Reisner's claim to fame. A front page story in the Journal and Courier declaring his death in 1942 at the age of 74 didn't mention Reisner had coached Purdue football

"World Famous Explorer Dead Near Pyramids, the headline declared. "Dr. G.A. Reisner, Greatest of Egyptologists, Brother of a Business Man Here; World Owes Debt to Him."

Reisner fittingly died at the site of the pyramids of Gizeh. He had been in charge of the Harvard University excavations since 1905. The story also reported that Reisner had been the youngest person ever awarded a degree at Harvard at the time of his graduation in



Photo courtesy of Purdue Athletics Communications

The first Purdue football team

1889. Clinton L. Hare was another one and done Purdue football coach, going 3-3 in 1890 after a three-year stint (8-0-1) at Butler. That same year, Hare was admitted to the Indiana bar and worked at a law firm whose partners included Benjamin Harri-

the United States. Hare later was president of the Indiana Wholesale Grocer's Association. He died of throat

son, the 23rd President of

cancer in 1909 at age 44. The Journal and Courier's tribute to Knowlton "Snake" Ames in 1931 referred to the Princeton great as "the father of football at Purdue." One thing is for sure: Ames will be the only undefeated coach in school history.

Ames went 12-0 over 1891 and 1892. His 1891 squad outscored opponents 192-0 in four games. The 1892 squad was dominating as well, scoring 320 points while allowing 18 over eight

games.

The star player on those teams, Alpha Jamison, said Ames "was one of the greatest players and coaches that ever lived." Ames was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1969.

Ames was a success in business too, earning a reputation as a financier, newspaper publisher and social leader in Chicago.

Financial losses suffered at the beginning of the Great Depression and declining health was too much for Ames, who took his own life while sitting inside his car two days before Christmas. He was 63.

Not long after helping Princeton go 11-0 and win a mythical national championship, D.M. (David Milton) Balliet continued the momentum Ames started by leading Purdue to a 5-2-1 record in 1893, 9-1 in 1894 and 4-3 in 1895.

Balliet began practicing law after leaving Purdue but put that career on

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Moving out of state

hold in 1897 to join the Klondike Gold Rush in Alaska. When that didn't pan out, Balliet returned to Purdue in 1901, going 4-4-1. Closing the season with losses to Notre Dame, Illinois and Northwestern, Balliet was fired.

He found his life's work as a coal salesman in Pennsylvania and died at the age of 93 in 1960.

The first to coach Purdue as a member of the Big Ten Conference, Samuel M. Hammond found a more lucrative profession after leaving West Lafayette with a 4-2-1 record in 1896.

Hammond practiced medicine as an ear and eye specialist in Connecticut for over 30 years before passing away at age 64 in 1934.

Not much is known about William Church, who guided the Boilermakers to a 5-3-1 record in 1897. He's regarded as one of Princeton's all-time greats of the 19th century and judging by

this quote, a quick-witted person.

"Am neither statesman nor politician," Church said in 1909. "Have not brains enough for the first and am not smart enough for the second."

Church died in 1966 at the age of 91.

Purdue's final coach of the 19th century would be better known as an early mayor of West Lafayette.

Presumably, Alpha Jamison was a better mayor than football coach. Arguably Purdue's greatest football player of the 19th century, Jamison led the Boilermakers to an 11-11-1 mark from 1898 to 1900. He fared better on the basketball court, going 12-1 over two seasons.

Jamison married into a well-to-do family in 1900 and was associated with their bakery business for 42 years. Jamison died in 1962 at the age of 86.

Charles M. Best replaced Balliet in 1902 and was very successful, posting a 7-2-1 record. Best's success translated to the basketball court as the Boilermakers went 10-3 during the 1901-02 season.

The years between 1903 and 1917 are lost to history (and Google) before Best resurfaced at The University of the South, better known as Sewanee. Playing in the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association, a predecessor to today's Southeastern Conference, Sewanee went 7-4-1 in two seasons under Best. Best passed away in 1962 at age 87.

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The Indiana Destination Development Corporation Releases 2021 Contribution Of Travel & Tourism To The Indiana Economy

A new study released by Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch with the Indiana **Destination Development** Corporation shows the Indiana tourism industry's rebound fueling is a stronger economy.

"Following the COVID-19 pandemic and its economic aftermath, we have seen Indiana's economy show great, especially when we look at it through the lens of tourism," said Lt. Gov. Crouch, Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "This research shows a

promising future for Indiana's tourism industry after rebounding tremendously following the pandemic.

Here are some of the highlights of the report: • Total Indiana visitor volume grew 16% in 2021 to 77.3 million person-trips;

- Overnight leisure travel grew by 36% over
- Visitor spending grew by 28.4% to \$13B;
- Spending per visitor rose to \$170;
- Visitor spending added \$8.5B to the state's gross domestic product;
- Out of each dollar spent, \$0.65 stays in Indiana;
- Tourism generated \$1.4B in state and local
- Indiana tourism supported nearly 180,000 full-time jobs; and
- Hoosier households saved an average of \$526 in state and local taxes as a direct impact

"The tourism industry in Indiana has continued to develop a very strong foundation for Hoosiers," said IDDC Secretary and CEO, Elaine Bedel. "Using this research, we can get a good idea of where we are heading in the years to come, and the future looks bright for Indiana tourism.

The study was commissioned by the Indiana **Destination Development** Corporation and conducted by Rockport Analytics, an independent market research and consulting company specializing in economic impact and feasibility studies for the travel, tourism and hospitality industry. The methodology employed by this study is in accordance with industry

best practices and aligns economic impact data at the state and local level with rigorous methodological standards that are recognized as the highest in the industry.

The study used data on Indiana visitor spending derived from multiple sources including Longwoods International, Reach Market Planning and the U.S. Commerce Department's National Travel & Tourism Office. It was then reconciled with Bureau of Labor Statistics reported employment data, Indiana Department of Revenue reported tax receipts and secondary sources such as Smith Travel Research.

A link to the report can be found at VisitIn-

Dick's Class Behavior

As of a month ago, Mary Ellen and I planned to attend her reunion in Ohio where she would celebrate the 50th anniversary of her graduation from college. We had talked extensively about the event, especially since Mary Ellen was one of the organizers. The truth is, we were both hiding how we really felt about the arrangements. I've put in parentheses what we were silently thinking when we discussed the

"Mary Ellen, your reunion is getting close. Sounds like fun. (Sounds like fun for you. For me this is about the last thing in the world I want to do.)

"Yes, Dick, I am looking forward to the evening. I sure hope you'll enjoy it." (I beg you: please drop me off at the front door and go find something else to do until midnight.)

"It will be great to meet your old classmates and friends, Mary Ellen." (This will be unbearable, viewing endless photos of the grandchildren of people I don't know.)

"Dick, I'll be proud to introduce you as my husband." (But, if I could just tell everyone about you in your absence, I could make you sound even better.)

"I can't wait to hear all the stories from your friends about your campus activities, Mary Ellen." (I need to find a bar nearby with a bigscreen TV.)

"Yes, and I think you'll get a kick out of chatting with other spouses. (Maybe all the spouses can get together and find a bar nearby with a big-screen TV.) While it was true that I

was dreading this event, I was also sensing that Mary Ellen preferred that I not accompany her. Finally, last week, we started getting honest with each other.

'Okay, let's think about this, Dick," said my wife. "If you go with me and simply hang around, no one



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will know you, you won't know where to put yourself, and people will wonder why you look so bored and uncomfortable."

"In all fairness, Mary Ellen, that's exactly how I felt at my own 50th reunion. Look, I attended your last high school reunion, and you told me that friends were all asking about me."

"Yes, they asked me if I knew the guy asleep at the bar."

Mary Ellen then offered a compromise, suggesting I make a brief appearance, then excuse myself and go back to the hotel. I reminded her that once when I did that very thing at another get-together, she was annoyed. "I was angry because that was no way to behave at our engagement party," she said.

She also mentioned that at her 25th college reunion I said things she didn't find funny. An old boyfriend told me jokingly that when they broke up three decades earlier, he started drinking. After he downed his third cocktail that evening, I told him it looked like he was still celebrating.

Now it appears I'll be staying home for the upcoming event in Ohio. I'll spend my time alone, drinking beer, and falling asleep in a chair.

Exactly what I would have done at Mary Ellen's reunion.

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Sen. Braun, Rep. Baird Demand Answers From **EPA On Decision To Send Hazardous Materials** To Indiana, Halt Shipment To Michigan

Indiana Sen. Mike Braun and Congressman Jim Baird sent a letter to EPA Administrator Michael Regan demanding answers on why a shipment of hazardous materials from the East Palestine train derailment was halted on its way to an EPA-approved facility in Michigan, and why Indiana was instead chosen.

On Feb. 24, the EPA started shipping contaminated soil and water to a landfill facility in Michigan licensed to deal with that type of material by the EPA. Michigan Congresswomen Debbie Dingell and Rashida Tlaib held a press conference that day saying they don't want the material in their state. "No one deserves this in their backyard," Tlaib said.

Thirty minutes later, the EPA announced they had halted the cleanup and delivery of contaminated materials to the licensed hazardous waste facility in Michigan. Five truckloads of contaminated materials were returned to East Palestine.

On Feb. 27, EPA announced two other facilities – one in Ohio, and one in Roachdale would begin to receive materials.

EPA said they'd notify elected officials.

Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb said in a statement



Sen. Mike Braun

Tuesday that he learned about the decision to ship the materials to Indiana "third-hand."

The Indiana facility was the first facility outside of Ohio to receive contaminated materials after EPA exerted control over the cleanup. The Roachdale facility is further away from the East Palestine site than the Michigan facility.

"We are concerned that, rather than a matter of safety, the decision to halt the Norfolk Southern cleanup was made in response to objections from elected officials in Michigan," Braun and Baird wrote in the letter to Regan.

The letter requests answers to the many questions regarding ÉPA's decision-making, including:

Exactly when did EPA decide to halt the Norfolk Southern cleanup?

When EPA halted the Norfolk Southern cleanup, contaminated materials that were en



Rep. Jim Baird

route to a disposal facility were returned to East Palestine. What specific criteria were used to make this decision?

In its official statements on February 25 and 26, EPA explained that each of the sites chosen by Norfolk Southern were "up to the standards" and "EPA-approved" to dispose contaminated materials. If that is the case:

Why did EPA halt the Norfolk Southern cleanup?

Why did EPA recertify the Vickery, Ohio and East Liverpool, Ohio facilities, but not the Belleville, Michigan; Romulus, Michigan; or Deer Park, Texas facilities?

What on-site testing procedures are in place in East Palestine to test contaminated materials for the types and levels of contamination before they are transported to a facility for disposal? Is EPA working to preemptively test and determine that facilities are certified

to process the contaminants they are being asked to process?

"I am opposed to the transfer of hazardous materials from the East Palestine train derailment into Indiana," Braun said. "The Biden EPA and Transportation Department have mishandled this disaster from day one. Any material from this disaster being transferred to Indiana overseen by this Biden EPA is seriously concerning. Hoosiers' safety is my top priority."

Baird agreed. "For over a week, this administration has failed to properly address the public safety crisis created by the train derailment in Ohio, and now they're blindsiding neighboring states by hastily relocating hazardous materials across state lines, jeopardizing countless Americans, said Congressman Baird. "There are very serious implications associated with the relocation of such serious carcinogens, and this administration has a responsibility to carefully weigh the safest options before making rash decisions. My responsibility is to keep my constituents safe, and I will continue to push for transparency and stand up for the safety and well-being of the Hoosiers I'm proud to represent.'

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Willson Family Literacy Preschool

Youth Service Bureau Gina Haile, Area Director of United Way in Montgomery County, added, "A huge thank you to this amazing community for everything they've done to ensure a successful campaign!"

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and embodied the 4-H pledge and all it stands for. This is the heart of the 4-H program.

On behalf of the Montgomery County 4-H Junior Leaders, Junior Leader Vice President, Miranda Crowe, wrote a grant for \$500 through Youth as Resources. The goal with this grant money was to purchase food items to donate to our local FISH Food Pantry. Thanks to Youth as Resources, the 4-H Junior Leaders were awarded this grant and were able to donate 554 pounds of food to FISH Food Pantry!

After talking with Ellen Simpson from our local FISH Food Pantry, she stated that they have an average of 40-50 people that utilize the food pantry each day it is open. Therefore, 4-H members wanted to help in any way they could. With this grant money, 5 of the Junior Leader officers (from left to right: Miranda Crowe, Cole Rhoads, Caleb Chastain, Kylee Reeves, and Clair Simpson) went food shopping to help re-stock FISH Food Pantry. They also want to encourage other to reach out to FISH Food Pantry and ask how they can help or what items they are in need of. The 4-H program is all about giving youth the opportunity to enhance life skills and identify how they can "make the best better."

4-H enrollment is still open! Visit https:// v2.4honline.com to enroll today! The cost for Mini 4-H (youth currently in grades K-2nd) is free and the cost for regular 4-H (youth currently in grades 3rd-12th) is \$15/child. If you have any questions about 4-H or want more information about programs offered, please contact Abby Morgan at the Purdue Extension-Montgomery County

Abby Morgan is the 4-H Youth Development Educator at the Montgomery County Purdue Extension Office. She can be reached at asweet@purdue.edu or *765-364-6363*.

O BUTCH From Page A1

and I thought I did a good job, but some people hate me and don't want me to run again. What would you suggest?" Signed, Donald Trump

...Dear Donald, Let your heart be your guide. But, if you decide to run again, buy lots of duct tape for your mouth. Sometimes Menards has it for 11% off...all you can get in one bag.

"Dear Butch, People are always making fun of my speeches, and in the way of speaking, and you know, like addressing concerns in talking to and like, speaking with people, talking with points, interviews are essential you know, articulating communication problems, and like, anyone knows, speaking my concerns to others, and I am getting very flustered. How can I change and make everyone like me?" Signed, Kamala 'Giggles" Harris

..Dear "Giggles," You might try stand-up comedy. Or perhaps Maxine Waters and you could make a movie together... you know, like "Dumb and Dumber." No acting lessons required.

"Dear Butch, It seems that people have turned against me. Even my brother puts me down, and doesn't want to be near me. I will admit that I have made a few mistakes in the past. I wrote

a book which explains everything, but no one seems to understand the abuse I have suffered. What can I do to make

things right?" Signed, Prince Harry ...Dear Harry, You

poor little feller...I know it must be terrible to be a wealthy prince and have the public heap scorn upon you. So, here's what you do. Go to your castle and raise the drawbridge. Then shut your big trap. Works for me.

"Dear Butch, Several years ago I was wrongly accused of murdering my wife. A trial was conducted, and I was found innocent, but people still don't believe me and don't want to be my friend anymore. What can I do?" Signed, O.J. Simpson

...Dear O.J., Okay, Now listen closely. You DID murder your wife. Any more questions?

"Dear Butch, I am a well-known artist, and have sold several of my paintings for mucho bucks in the past. But with the economy down at the moment, I haven't sold squat lately. Any suggestions?" Signed, Hunter Biden

...Dear Hunter, call up Xi-Jinping in China and tell him you know Joe. That should do it. The money will start rolling in faster than you can say Wuhan!"

"Dear Butch, I am

recently divorced and the mother of three. I would like to start dating again and find the right guy and make it work this time around. I am the intellectual type and read 8 to 10 books a week, but it seems men only want me for my body. What can I do?" Signed, Kim Kardashian

...Dear Kim, it might help if you read educational books instead of comic books. You also might want to quit dressing like a stripper on steroids...just sayin'.

"Dear Butch, I have always wanted to be an NBA basketball player. I am pretty good, but I am getting up there in years, and I don't think I have a very good chance of getting drafted now by an NBA team. Should I continue pursuing my goal...or should I give up?" Signed, Barack "Da Man" Obama

...Dear Barack, Well, I have seen you shoot the ball. You are no LeBron, but I will admit... you're pretty decent. I say you should go for it. You might just make the team. But if you fail, you fail...just like you did as President. You're a multi-millionaire now... so no big deal

"Dear Butch, I live in New York. The crime is terrible. I want to buy a gun for self-protection, but the laws are very restrictive. Should I just

sue to obtain my 2nd Amendment rights?" Signed, Alec Baldwin

..Dear Alec, I tell you what...you might want to hold off on that until your trial for involuntary manslaughter is over. I'm pretty sure you can't have a gun in prison.

"Dear Butch, I am very depressed. I can't remember things. I stumble. I mumble. I make bad decisions. People who work for me keep resigning. No one likes me. Even my wife can't stand me. And to top it off, I have done a few illegal things in the past, and the heat is coming down. I am thinking about ending it all. Please help me." Signed, Ol' Joe Biden

...Dear Ol' Joe, If you had come out of the basement and actually campaigned, you would not have been elected, and you wouldn't have these troubles now...you big cry-baby. For God's sakes, don't do anything stupid. Your VP is worse than you. Anyway, MSNBC, CNN, and the New York Times still love you! Come on, man...be brave, little buddy.

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.

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To help remedy this problem, Immigrant Allies will launch a transportation service that pays individual, vetted drivers to transport community residents. Immigrant Allies will organize two public meetings this spring to discuss local transportation needs with affected communities and to finalize service details before launching the pro-

gram in early fall. They hope to hire bilingual drivers or English-speaking drivers with basic Spanish language skills who will receive professional training before participating in the program.

Commenting on the twelve grant recipients, Rachel Perić, executive director of Welcoming America, said: "We are thrilled to support this latest round of community-driven projects through the Fund to Foster Belonging. By bringing neighbors of different backgrounds together with a shared purpose, these projects underscore the continued need for communities to work better for everyone and for strong, multiracial democracies to thrive."

About Immigrant

Allies Immigrants play a crucial role in the vitality of our town. As of 2019, 5.3% of Indiana residents and 3.06% (more than 1000 people) of Montgomery County residents were foreign-born. Immigrant Allies aspires

to be a bridge connecting the diverse immigrant community with existing residents so that common ground and shared leadership can be realized. We provide translation services, arrange legal aid and transportation, and assist in fundraising for the urgent needs of refugees and immigrants who do not have access to other resources.

Chaired by Agata Szczeszak-Brewer, Immigrant Allies has several other core members and volunteers who work with local communities.

About Welcoming America and the Fund to Foster Belonging

Welcoming America is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that leads a movement of inclusive communities becoming more prosperous by ensuring everyone belongs. They believe that all people, including immigrants, are valued contributors and vital to the success of our communities and shared future. Through the Welcoming Network, they work to help communities develop the roadmap they

need to create welcoming policies and share new approaches to inclusion to create an environment where everyone can truly

The Fund to Foster Belonging is part of Belonging Begins With Us, a multi-year campaign to foster a more welcoming nation where everyone — regardless of their background - belongs, with generous support from the Walmart Foundation and others.

About Humans United for Equality:

Humans United for Equality (HUE) is a place for individuals who believe that diversity and equality make our community stronger and our lives richer. They seek to welcome, celebrate, and support marginalized communities in Montgomery County; to create a sense of power in numbers; and to prevent a sense of exclusion or unwelcomeness in Montgomery County. Follow them on Facebook or visit their website at www.huemoco.org to find out more

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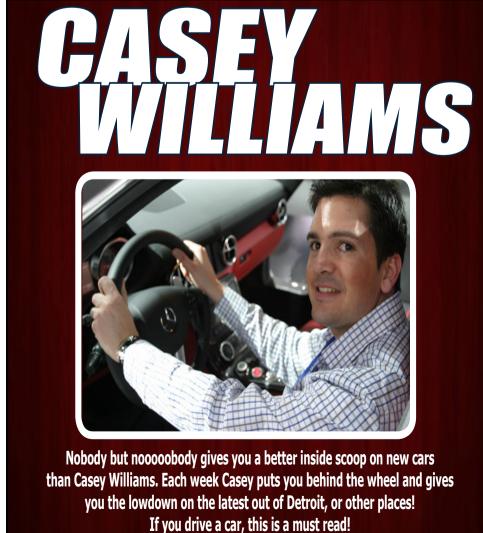
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