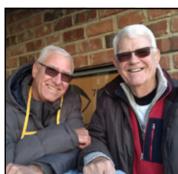
TODAY'S VERSE

O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

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People who call our community their own.



Dick German, right, and Ron Hess of smile brightly for our phorotgrapher. Thank you for your smiles!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

Williamsport? No offense to our neighbors to the west, but the good folks at FamilyDestinationsGuide.com came up with a list of the top 150 small towns across the U.S. people would most like to visit - and little Williamsport, Indiana was the top small town from the great Hoosier State, coming in at 144 out of 150 selected. Williamsport? Yes, the little Warren County community with less than 2,000 residents. FamilyDestinationsGuide.com, which offers kid-friendly vacation ideas, surveyed 3,000 families to find the top 150 across the country they'd love to spend time in this year and Williamsport topped every other small town in Indiana. Kind of hard to believe for a community that's biggest claim to fame might be that its Post Office has been in operation since 1829.

There they were, a pair of brothers on snowmobiles out ■on an outing near Palisades, Idaho when a menacing moose ruined their day. The moose managed to get in between Jeremiah Bigelow's snowmobile and that of his brother and for whatever reason it decided to charge the brother's sled. No one was hurt, although the moose did some damage to his snowmobile as it made its escape and Jeremiah videotaped the whole thing.

Gov. Eric J. Holcomb will be a featured guest at the 109th Purdue Road School Transportation Conference and Expo on March 14-15 at Purdue University. Holcomb will be joined by Michael Smith, Indiana Department of Transportation commissioner, and Chris Jensen, mayor of Noblesville, in a fireside chat moderated by Richard Hedgecock, president of Indiana Constructors Inc. The panel members will share their perspectives on Indiana transportation infrastructure and the impact those investments have on economic development in the state.



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Sheriff Ryan Needham had at least one hypothesis about why he received so few applications for the open position for a school resources officer (SRO) he was trying to fill.

"Our biggest challenge, you know, is



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canceled its primary because no one is running. "That drive to be involved in your community and to put yourself out there, I mean, has really, really been reduced," he

When Needham was hired in 1997, up to 70 candidates competed for a position. For the SRO position, he had only four applicants just two hours before the application deadline closed. When the pool of applicants is smaller, the chances of hiring only the qualified candidates diminish significantly, he pointed out. Sheriff Needham leans on the process of hiring the right people to assure fair, judicious policing in Montgomery Coun-

Being a police officer has never been an easy job. It requires a deep toolkit of social-emotional skills, as well as the ability to shift to the right ones depending on the call. On a given day in the county, an officer may face a domestic violence incident, followed by a fatal interstate accident, an overdose and a parent calling on an erratic or suicidal teenager.. The pace and potential risks of the job pull a huge cognitive demand.

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From Between The Lines To Outside, **Derrick Clore Finds A Way**



TIM TIMMONS

Two Cents

The long, curved drive leading to the house in Carmel is a long way from his middle class roots - physically and figuratively. One of the neighbors is the former vice president of the United States and governor of Indiana, Mike Pence.

New Market, Indiana it ain't. Derrick Clore, a kid I covered back in the 1980s when I was a young sports writer and he was a tough, in-your-face quarterback, grew up in a house that

was long on love, but certainly not in the same tax category as his current digs.

'My dad was hard-nosed," Clore told me recently. "His family was dirt poor, but he was the smartest guy I knew - and certainly the wisest. I remember when he pulled the furnace and put in a wood stove. We'd go out and chop wood. I had a sledge hammer and a wedge. I learned to swear doing that."

I first met the 56-year-old when he was at Southmont High School in the 1980s. He wasn't the most talented quarterback I'd seen, but I thought he was the toughest. He had a better arm than his coach gave him credit for and the kid could flat run over linebackers. I don't recall any of his stats, but he was one of those where stats didn't tell the whole story – or even most of it.

Clore was the kind of athlete

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Carnegie Museum Lecture

The Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County is excited to welcome Wabash College Professor Stephen Morillo, Thursday March 16, 2023 at 7 p.m. for his presentation, Medieval Castles: The Physics of Defense.

In his talk, Morillo, a medieval and military historian, will explore how castles evolved to be defensible strongholds against a variety of attacks. This free lecture begins the first of three events in conjunction with its storytelling programming for

The program is funded in part by a grant from the Montgomery County Community Foun-

The Carnegie Museum is located at 222 S. Washington Street, Crawfordsville. Admission is free, and the museum is wheelchair and stroller accessible. The Carnegie Museum is open Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mayor To **Meet With** The Public



Mayor Todd Barton

Continuing a practice he started since first taking office, Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton will once again make himself available to meet with the public.

This month's meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday, March 30 at 4-5p.m. at the Mayor's Office Conference Rooom.

The Mayor's Office is located at 300 E Pike St. The purpose is to open discussions with concerned citizens about anything to do with the city of Crawfordsville.

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Today Is...: Dumbstruck Day



What Happened On This Day

• 1985 The world's first internet domain name is registered. symbolics.com was registered by the Symbolics Computer Corporation of Massachusetts. There are over 1 billion domains today. • 1972 Francis Ford Cop-

pola's The Godfather is premiered. The gangster movie based on Mario Puzo's novel is one of the most popular films of all time.





Births On This Day

• 1975 Eva Longoria American actress, producer

• 1979 Kevin Youkilis American baseball player

Deaths On This Day

• 1983 Rebecca West English journalist, author

• 2001 Ann Sothern American actress

HONEST HOOSIER

Speaking of radio, I miss Fred Heckman. Anyone remember the voice of Indianapolis?



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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Chill out – people who are aggressive appear to be at greater risk for heart attacks and strokes. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



OBITUARIES

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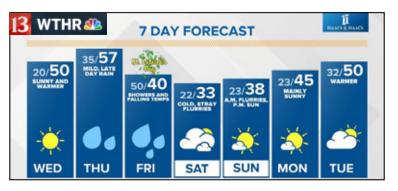
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TODAY'S QUOTE

"St. Patrick's Day is an enchanted time. It's a day to begin transforming Winter's dreams into Summer's magic." - Adrienne Cook

How can you tell if someone is jealous of the Irish? They're green with envy!

🗢 TODAY'S JOKE





Joyce Lee Bever

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WEDNESDAY, March 15, 2023

OBITUARIES

Joyce Lee Bever

March 13, 2023 - Feb. 16, 1938

Joyce Lee Bever passed away on Monday, March 13, 2023 at home. She was born on Feb. 16, 1938 in Crawfordsville to Clayton and Dorothy (Leman) Patterson. Joyce married John Bever on Aug. 24, 1958.

She was a graduate of Crawfordsville High School, Class of 1956 and continued her education at Arizona

Western College and Northern Arizona University. John and Joyce lived on various military bases in the United States and Okinawa, Japan. Joyce was a civilian nurse at the U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground. She also worked Fort Yuma IHS Hospital, Arizona Prison in Yuma and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Joyce was a volunteer nurse at a local hospital while living on Okinawa, Japan. She enjoyed traveling on the island of Okinawa, especially taking new military residents to the Basket Village in the mountains. Joyce was a talented painter and taught art classes at a junior college in North Carolina.

She is survived by her husband, John; 4 children, Daniel Bever (Maureen), John Bever, II (Debbie), Brian Bever (Michelle) and Kristina Bever; 12 grandchildren, Thomas, Daniel, Michael T., Jason, Alexey, Kevin, Susan, Kassandra, Jonathan, Michael L., Samantha and Brendan; 17 great grandchildren and 2 brothers, James Patterson (Ina) and John Patterson

Joyce was predeceased by her parents and granddaughter, Suzanne.

Cremation was chosen with a private family burial to be held at a later date in Indian Hill Creek Cemetery. Share memories and condolences at www. SandersFuneralCare.com.

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Noted Psychologist Dr. Jean Twenge To Speak Next Wedensday

The President's Distinguished Speaker Series (PDSS) at Wabash College is pleased to present Dr. Jean Twenge, a professor of psychology at San Diego State University, whose research focuses on Generation Z.

Dr. Twenge will give a talk entitled, "iGen: Understanding the Smartphone Generation," on Wednesday, March 22, at 8 p.m. in Salter Hall of the Fine Arts Center. A Q&A session will follow her lecture.

Twenge is the author of more than 140 scientific publications and six books including "iGen: Why Today's Super-Connected Kids Are Growing Up Less Rebellious, More Tolerant, Less Happy-and Completely Unprepared for Adulthood," which explores how and why this generation of young



Dr. Jean Twenge

adults is different than the generations before it. Her public talks and

workshops draw on a data set of 11 million young people and help parents, educators, and coaches teach and work with today's youth.

Twenge's research has been featured in Time, Newsweek, The New York Times, USA Today, U.S. News and World Report, and The Washington Post, and she has appeared on several national television and radio shows.

She holds both bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Chicago and a doctoral degree from the University of Michigan.

Dr. Twenge's upcoming PDSS lecture is free and open to the public.

The President's Distinguished Speaker Series was established in 2017 through the generosity of donors to the Giant Steps Campaign, the largest comprehensive campaign in Wabash College history.

Meeting Notes

Psi Iota Xi. Gamma Xi Chapter Meeting

Thirteen members and one pledge attended the business meeting of the Gamma Xi Chapter of Psi Iota Xi held on March 6, 2023. Vice President Angie Griggs called the meeting to order with the Opening Verse and attendance was taken. An anniversary and a birthday were announced. Happy Bucks included a discussion of the social event at Sweet Pickin's on Feb. 17 that members and legacies enjoyed so much! The art pieces were selected by each person and all turned out differently and beautifully. Members remarked that we should do this again! The treasurer's report was given by Pam Karle. The proposed budget for the 2023-2024 year was reviewed and accepted. The minutes of the last meeting were sent by email and approved. Proposals to the State bylaws were discussed. Jenny Slavens and Pam Karle will attend the State Convention in West Lafayette, Indiana on Saturday, April 22 as our chapter delegates and will vote on state business including the bylaws and State projects in art, music, literature, speech



Photo courtesy of Psi lota Xi

Left to right Tamara Hemmerlein, Naomi Horton, President Tonya Michael

and hearing. Many other members will be attending the meeting to shadow the host chapter since our chapter will be hosting in 2024.

Committee reports were presented. Our Everyone Reads in Montgomery County event will take place on March 18. Elementary children in our public schools will receive detailed information about this literacy event by receiving a bookmark. Please bring your family anytime between 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. to the Crawfordsville District Public Library. The celebration will include picking out a book to take home thanks to our wonderful community donor, Penguin Random House. This includes toddlers! Some books in Spanish will be available.

Geraniums will be sold and delivered in late April. Please contact a member by April 3 if

you are ready for spring and for planting some colorful geranium plants. Plans are being made for our Summer Speech Clinic for children. Area school speech pathologists will be contacting parents with information in April.

The next meeting of the Gamma Xi Chapter will be held on April 3 at 7 p.m. The meeting was adjourned with our closing verse by President Tonva Michael.

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Spring Cleaning: Don't Toss That 'Junk,' It May Be Valuable!

(StatePoint) It's time to hit the garage, basement, attic and closets for that age-old task of spring cleaning! Before hauling unwanted possessions to the curb, you may be surprised to learn they might be valuable -- especially if you have sports cards and memorabilia gather-

With prices of sports cards rising in recent years, take time to determine if yours are valuable and how to best sell them.

"Older sports cards and memorabilia aren't just highly collectible; they can be worth lots of money. Recent sales of scarce vintage cards have topped anywhere from thousands of dollars to tens of thousands, even hundreds of thousands. And really rare cards can go higher," says Al Crisafulli, Auction Director at Love of the Game Auctions, an internet sports auction house that helps families identify and sell valuable items.

Crisafulli has assisted people in selling such keepsakes as a grandparent's autograph collection and an uncle's childhood

baseball cards, for tens of thousands of dollars. In one life-changing event, he helped a family determine that a baseball bat that spent decades protecting their home was used by Hall of Famer Lou Gehrig -- and Love of the Game Auctions sold it for almost half a million dollars. Today, that bat could bring more than a million dollars.

The key is understanding what makes old sports collectibles valuable. To help, Crisafulli is sharing some tips:

Older is Usually Pricier Cards from the 1960s and earlier are collectible, and those from before the 1940s can be worth a lot of money, especially those depicting stars. Do you have cards of Hall of Famers, such as Mickey Mantle, Babe Ruth, Honus Wagner or Ty Cobb? Even non-stars from the early days of a sport can be worth big bucks, especially if the cards have no creases and retain sharp corners and

original gloss. If you have very old cards from the 1880s through the 1930s, look for tobacco, gum and

candy brands, such as Old Judge, Piedmont, Sweet Caporal, Goudey or American Caramel.

If you want to sell sports items for the most money, consider a specialty auction, such as Love of the Game, which has the expertise to properly research sports ephemera and maintains bidder lists of collectors specializing in sports. More information is available at loveofthegameauctions.com.

Postcards and Photographs

We all have keepsakes of vacation destinations, but most aren't valuable. However, photographs and postcards depicting sports stars and ballparks can be significant. Look for early "real photo" postcards from the 1900s through the 1940s, which are photographs printed on postcard backs.

As with sports cards, star power matters, so preserve those Babe Ruths as opposed to images of your great grandma's baby cousin once-removed. And when it comes to photos, look for old markings on the back, such as photographer, publication and date stamps.

Memorabilia

Set aside old advertising posters depicting sports stars and food, tobacco or sporting goods brands. Ads from magazines aren't valuable, but those used as store displays and for other marketing purposes

can be pricey. Tin signs from the 1960 and earlier can be highly prized, but reproductions aren't.

Your family's sporting goods, such as balls, gloves and bats, can be valuable. Pre-1950s uniforms and catcher's masks, helmets and other equipment are highly collected, especially when endorsed by star players. Top condition brings the highest prices, but even used equipment can be valuable.

"The golden rule is the older the sports card or item, the more valuable it usually is. Pre-1975 pieces start to get interesting and are worth researching," says Crisafulli.

Don't just clean out your "junk" this spring, examine it closely to potentialy maximize its value.

Letters

Bank President Offers Reassurance

Dear Editor,

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If you have any questions or concerns I encourage you to contact any of our employees.

Chuck Dixon President-CEO

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

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

- Lennon Woods, from New Ross, attends South Montgomery Junior High School
- Thomas Woods, from New Ross, attends South Montgomery High
- Cole Artmeier, from Brownsburg, attends **Brownsburg East Middle** School • Clay Becker, from
- Brownsburg, attends Brownsburg East Middle School • Riley Cleaver, from
- Jamestown, attends Western Boone High School • Hannah Inman, from
- Lizton, attends Tri West **High School** • Ethan Meyer, from

Brownsburg, attends

Brownsburg East Middle

Pages spend a day at the Statehouse touring the historic building, observing debates from the Senate floor and interacting with their state senator.

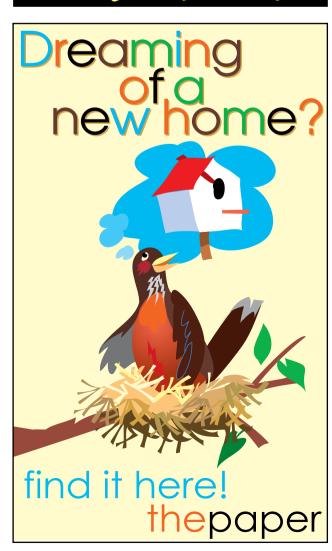
"It is always exciting to meet pages and show them how bills become law," Buchanan said. "This experience is a great way for students to learn about our state government in a way they will remember, and I enjoy being a part of

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.









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fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in 0Montgomery County, Indiana. Lot Numbered One (1) as the same is known and designated on the recorded plat of Anna Treadway's Addition to the town of Linden, in Montgome County, Indiana.

thereafter as is possible, at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the

Nore commonly known as 303 E Plum St, Linden, IN 47955-8058 Parcel No. 54-02-08-333-032.000-017

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Crawfordsville Board of Public Works and Safety Crawfordsville Fire Department: Custom Modular Ambulance Notice is given that the Board of Public Works and Safety of

crawfordsville, Indiana ("Board") will receive sealed bids in the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer, 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933, by 10:00 'clock a.m. (local time), Wednesday, 29 March 2023 for furnishing all necessary abor, equipment, and material for a new custom modular ambulance—Road Rescue Type 1 Custom Modular Ambulance built on a 2023 Ford F550 4x4 XLT 7.3L Gas V8 powered chassis—for the Crawfordsville Fire Department, which must conform to other specifications in detailed written bid specifications for the desired new equipment. Interested bidders should obtain the written specifications for fire apparatus at the Crawfordsville Fire Department, 100 South Water Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 or by contacting Fire Chief Scott Busenbark at

A bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid shall be furnished with the bidder's proposal. The bond will ensure that the bidder will submit a Performance Bond within 15 days of the notice of award of contract. In case of failure to comply within the stated time, the bid bond will be forfeited as liquidated damages because of the default. The bid bond of all other bidders will be returned after bids are opened, and evaluated, and bid awarded.

A performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the bid shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 30 (thirty) days after receiving the official notice of the award of contract. Failure of the contractor to complete delivery according to the contract and specifications will be cause to begin action for forfeiture of performance bond. The bond shall also guarantee compliance and performance with the warranty provisions of the specifications.

All bids should be submitted on forms provided and under the regulations prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts. All bids will be evaluated under the full written specifications. The City's standards for bidding the fire apparatus must be strictly adhered to, and all bid forms and questions must be complete and submitted with the bid. Omissions and variation will result in mmediate rejection of the bid.

All bids will be opened at a regular meeting of the Board that will take place at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 29 March 2023, in the Common Council chambers on the second floor of the City Building, 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana. All bids may be taken under advisement for review by the Board. All bids must be guaranteed and firm for sixty days following acceptance by the Board. The Board will notify the successful bidder of its acceptance within fifteen days following the opening of bids, but such acceptanc may be subject to the city securing adequate financing for such purpose. The Board reserves the right to reject all bids if it determines it is in the best interest of the City of Crawfordsville to do so and to waive any informality in bidding.

Crawfordsville Board of Public Works and Safety . Kent Minnette City Attorney

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Montgomery County Board of Commissioners NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HEARING ON RE ESTABLISHMENT OF CUMULATIVE BRIDGE FUND

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Montgomery County, Indiana

that the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners will consider at the Community Meeting Room, 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, Indiana at 8 o'clock a.m. on March 27, 2023, the re-establishment of the Cumulative Bridge Fund under the provisions of Indiana Code §8-16-3 for the following purposes: the construction, repair, maintenance and inspection of bridges in Montgomery

If accommodations are required to attend this meeting, please contact Auditor Mindy Byers at 765-364-6401.

The tax will be levied on all taxable real and personal property in Montgomery County and will not exceed \$0.075 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The proposed tax will be levied beginning with taxes due and payable in the year 2024. Taxpayers appearing at this public hearing will have the right to be heard on this issue. The proposal to re-establish the Cumulative Bridge Fund is subject to approval by the Department of Local Government Finance.

Within thirty (30) days of the adoption of the ordinance re-establishing the

Bridge Fund by the Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County, Montgomery County will publish a Notice of Adoption. Upon publication of the Notice of Adoption, twenty-five (25) or more taxpayers in the taxing district (Montgomery County) may file a petition with the County Auditor not later than 12 noon, thirty (30) days after the publication of the Notice of Adoption setting forth their objections to the proposed fund.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2023. Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County, Indiana PL4595 3/15 3/22 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CIRCUIT

COURT CASE NO. 54C012302MI000168 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY IN RE THE MATTER OF: Skyler Renee Woodcock

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Skyler Renee Woodcock, whose mailing address is: 218 Vance St Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933, and if different, whose residential address is in the Montgomery County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Skyler Renee Woodcock has filed a petition in the Montgomery County Circuit

Court requesting that their name be changed to Skyler Renee Wence Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: April 25, 2023 @ 1:30 pm

Skyler Renee Woodcock Petitioner Karvn Douglas PL4587 3/8 3/15 3/22

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IN THE MONTGOMERY SUPERIOR /

CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 54C072302DC000184 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

IN RE THE MATTER OF: Jennifer Gibbs Petitioner,

V.
Joshua David Gibbs Respondent.

VERIFIED WAIVER OF FINAL HEARING

VERIFIED WAIVER OF FINAL HEARING Come now Petitioner and Respondent pursuant to Indiana Code 31-15-2

and submit their Verified Waiver of Final Hearing. In support of this Waiver, the parties state that:

More than sixty (60) days have passed since the filing of Petitioner's Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage.

2. Both parties request the Court to approve their Settlement Agreement and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage.

Both parties voluntarily waive the opportunity to hold a final hearing on contested issues and have signed below before filing this document with the I affirm under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing representations are

Petitioner Respondent Joshua David Gibbs

Jennifer Gibbs Address:

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me, directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54D01-2207-MF-000632, wherein Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper was Plaintiff, and Tehya Requenes, et al., were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree, with interest and costs, 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 as possible, at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, 600 Memorial Dr., Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana:

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Plaintiff Attorney: Brian K. Tekulve
ATTORNEY NO. 30882-49

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IEDC Spends \$126M On Boone County Land Purchases — So Far

By Whitney Downard

What can \$126 million buy you in Boone County? More than 1,500 acres, if you're the Indiana Economic Development Corporation

(IEDC).
The LEAP Innovation District is Indiana's attempt to compete with the North Carolina Research Triangle, deliberately crafting a "hightech" corridor along I-65 in Boone County, roughly halfway between Indianapolis and Purdue University.

IEDC has spent just over three-quarters of their funding thus far — though more projects are planned for the future – and sales disclosures show the state is paying around \$80,000 per acre.

Ultimately the plan is for an 11,000-acre, high-tech innovation park.

Leaders with the IEDC, including Chief Operating Officer and Chief of Staff David Rosenberg, have emphasized how companies want shovel-ready sites that will quickly return their investment. A December presentation to the State Budget Committee emphasized the need for speed when it came to landing large investments, saying deals took a fraction of the time to be approved.

This site would allow Indiana "to go get the economies of the future," Rosenberg said.

"This upfront investment that we're working on is necessary to achieve that ambitious goal," Rosenberg told the Indiana Capital Chronicle.

"So while the initiative overall is maybe bigger and bolder than any the IEDC has undertaken in the past, the results we've secured over the last 18 months are also unprecedented."

Farmer apprehension about the LEAP district

But the IEDC, a quasi-public agency, is taking on an unusual role in recruiting business investment throughout the state: the role of the developer. Tax dollars spent in other public agencies are subject to intense scrutiny that's unheard of in the world of business.

Some farmers in Boone County are alarmed by the rapid growth, especially with the use of tax dollars.

"Instead of repurposing industrially blighted areas from the past, we're coming out here and destroying farm ground that's productive," said Jim B. Love, a third-generation Boone County farmer. "If this was a regular developer that didn't have unlimited taxpayer's funds, you'd have to probably think about limiting your grip to what you can control."

The 200-acre Love farm sits in the middle of the proposed development, near I-65 and Highway 52. It's home to four generations of the Love family, four of whom share the same name: Jim B. Love.

The 58-year-old said his grandparents bought the farm in the 1940s with the intention of giving their descendants economic security.

"We were realistic enough to realize that (development) was somewhat predictable but we thought we would see it come in a metered fashion," Love said. "We never thought about the state deciding it would be a great idea to buy everything up and then go out and shop it to industry."

As their neighbors sell, "strong armed" by the IEDC, Love says, many sign non-disclosure agreements barring them from discussing the terms publicly — hurting public transparency.

"We knew (development) would come, we just didn't think it would come in this fashion," Love said. "Quite honestly, we didn't think it would come this quickly"

What do we know about the land sold so far?

To determine how the preliminary appropriation of \$164 million to the IEDC for the LEAP project was spent, the Indiana Capital Chronicle analyzed a list of 61 sales disclosure forms posted on a public database managed by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance. According to those forms, 29 Hoosiers have sold a combined 1,578 acres to the IEDC for nearly \$126 million since September of last year.

The remaining \$38 million or so will be spent on infrastructure improvements to the area, specifically road and drainage projects along a stretch of Witt Road from W 450 North to W 300 North.

According to a February IEDC map, roughly 600 acres of that area will serve as the site for a \$2.1 billion Eli Lilly manufacturing expansion. Thus far, Lilly is the only announced private investment in the LEAP district.

The largest transaction, 565 acres, sold for \$29.6 million but the most expensive purchase was \$35.6 million for 254 acres which contained improvements – usually a house, a pole barn, a swimming pool or another structure – valued at \$1.2 million.

\$1.2 million.

The vast majority of the land sold, 1,170 acres, was classified as vacant agricultural land. Of the remaining 284 acres of agricultural land, just 82 acres were utilized as general farmland.

of the roughly 123 acres of land left, nearly all were residential, one-family homes. Slightly fewer than 20 individual homes were purchased in the time span studied.

Many of the sellers overlapped with the list of Boone County residents who petitioned to be annexed into Lebanon and then rezoned for industrial use.

Of the sales, just ten

parcel addresses matched addresses provided for the seller. Nearly all of the sellers' addresses were located in Boone County, with just five sellers living in another Indiana county.

But how much was it worth?

Calculating the worth of farmland can get a little tricky, because assessed values are far below market values – for a reason.

Larry DeBoer, who retired as a professor of agricultural economics at Purdue University in 2021, explains that farmland is assessed under what is known as "market value in use."

"What that means, is that the property is assessed based on its value as it is currently being used, not based on a value of potential other use," DeBoer said. "If you've got a house on a street that has been developed into restaurants and hotels, your house is not based on the value that it could have if it were sold off... but rather based on its value as a house."

Under this system, farmers adjacent to a large development won't see their property assessments increase because they still operate as a farm, not as a development. This protects landowners who otherwise could be pressured to sell their land.

"Farmers get tax breaks (like) homeowners get tax breaks, they just come in different ways," DeBoer said. "Homes are assessed at their selling prices but then we subtract so many deductions that the actual assessed value of homes that gets taxed is statewide, on average, less than half the total value of the home."

Being a historically agricultural state, Indiana has long had a system that benefits farmers when it comes to land assessments. Rather than assessing land as what it could sell for, similar to how houses are assessed, farmland is evaluated at a base rate of \$1,500 per acre

The base rate does increase slightly every year, but falls far behind the average selling price – which is more than \$10,000 per acre.

Purdue University releases an annual report detailing the state's farmland prices, including those sold for development. The latest analysis, which covers June 2021 to June 2022, found that appreciation rates for farmland sold to developers was increasing.

"Transitional" land in the release refers to agricultural land being sold for another, typical higher-paying, use. Per acre, the average price for transitional land in Indiana was \$24,240 per acre – an increase of 36.5% over the last 12 months.

In comparison, the IEDC paid roughly \$79,823 per acre. But the land purchased by the IEDC does include

several homes and other improvements, valued at \$7.7 million across more than two dozen parcels.

What's next for the district?

Many Boone County residents have expressed alarm about the project, worrying it will affect their way of life and farmland identity.

Rosenberg, with the IEDC, said that all purchased land had a purpose. Though the IEDC and General Assembly are still discussing whether the profits from the re-sold land should return to the corporation or the General Fund.

"We're not just buying land and sitting on it. We will put land under option as it fits the needs of the companies in the pipeline," Rosenberg said. "The legislature has been very supportive of our efforts and we will continue to work closely with them to determine what the market demand is."

Rosenberg said the IEDC, though it is a quasi-public agency, "does not use eminent domain for economic development purposes."

"This is bigger and bolder than a lot of what the state has seen in the past and it seems like everything is coming down the pike now, but it is a long-term investment that will be built out over the next decade and have implications for the next several decades," Rosenberg said.

DeBoer said that while farmland aesthetics and future employment could all be reasons to consider whether or not the LEAP development was the right idea – one consideration didn't weigh in much at all: food production.

According to the agricultural land census of 2017, the most recent available, roughly 15 million acres of Indiana is dedicated to farmland, an 8% decrease, or 1.3 million acres, from 1982. Also in 2017, fewer than 100,000 Hoosiers were working as farmers.

Over that same 35-year period, while the amount of farmland decreased by 8%, the amount of corn harvested increased by 38% and the amount of soybeans harvested increased by 98%. Farmers continue to be innovative, growing far more with less land.

"Farmland is becoming so much more productive; every year we produce way more food on less farmland," DeBoer said. "So we will make up this loss of farmland in added productivity yield per acre within a few years."

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3 Ways To Prep Your Home For Bug Season

(StatePoint) It can be tempting to think that bugs simply disappear in the cooler months. The truth is that many bug species have evolved to survive all year long, sometimes hiding in the warm nooks and crannies in and around homes. Others go into a hibernation-like state.

"Bugs can be a lot smarter and more resilient than you may realize. Even if you don't see household pests right now, some may still be waiting in your home for those first warm days to signal them to become active, search for food and find a mate," says Emma Klingman, senior products research at Zevo, a maker of pest control products with naturally-inspired ingredients you can feel good

To prep your home for bug season and outsmart pests, follow these three steps:

1. Tidy up: Household pests love snacking just as much as people do, but you don't need to play host to them. After meals, wipe down tables, counters and other kitchen surfaces. Be sure to regularly sweep and vacuum crumbs, as well as mop up to eliminate sticky food residue. Keep a tightly-fitting lid on your garbage bin, and rinse cans and jars before recycling them.

2. Be ready: Even an immaculate home will face pest problems at some point. That's why it is important to have tools on hand to catch a problem early, before it becomes a much bigger one. Zevo's Instant Action sprays target and shut down biological pathways found in insects, not in people or pets. Likewise, the brand's traps use a UV and blue light system to attract and capture flying insects, and they have a discreet design that can serve as a bouncer at your home's entry points. It's also smart to use these traps in potential problem areas, such as near trash cans and fruit bowls and near toilet bowls and drains.

3. Safeguard the yard: Defending your yard from pesky pests will not only improve the comfort of your home's outdoor spaces, it will help prevent insects from finding their way indoors. Be sure to eliminate standing water by properly tending to your lawn and by periodically clearing downspouts of debris. Any water feature in your garden should use running water. If you have a patio or deck, consider screening it in. If you don't love the look of screened walls, installing ceiling fans can be an effective alternative. Run the fans whenever you entertain to deter unwanted guests, such as mosquitos, from crashing the party.

Of course, it's always a good idea to apply bug repellant when spending time outdoors. Find a formula that will be easy to use, such as the new on-body products from Zevo, which include a pump spray, aerosol and lotion. They offer eight hours of protection from mosquitoes and ticks and are lightweight, odorless and not sticky.

For more usage tips and more information, visit https://zevoinsect.com and follow on Facebook, TikTok and Instagram (@ZevoInsect).

"As we usher in gorgeous spring weather, it can be an especially challenging time of year to keep bugs at bay at home. But with the right tools and strategies, you can help prevent and combat infestations as they arise," says Klingman.





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A young Derrick Clore

where if you had one play, one moment in which the game hung in the balance, you would give him the ball and be fairly certain he'd find a

He was a tough guy off the field, too. Sometimes a little too tough.

He landed in hot water during what he now calls his wild days. Too many fights. Too much drinking. Still, he managed to stay between the lines enough to get to Hanover College, graduate and go on to build a successful life and career – by any standards – although you would be hard-pressed to get him to say that.

"I haven't got this stuff by my own hands," he said. "The whole path of getting here, I had more ambition than brains."

Clore's done a bit of everything. At one point he owned a restaurant / bar. He sold Amway. He hustled. He built a life. He slipped. He overcame. Slipped again. Kept going.

His story of success, like so many people who do well, was not a straight uphill rise.

At one point he was the vice president of a bank. Later he bought an insurance agency. That's what he does today. The Clore Insurance Group has locations in Carmel, Crawfordsville and Brazil. By any definition he's a success. But it all fell apart before it really got going.

"I lost a wife, a kidney, custody of my little



Photo courtesy of Clore Family

Clore with wife Gretchen, daughter Kinley and son

girl and all my employees," he said, explaining a divorce and a bout with cancer. All of that happened in the span of a few months. "I spent a lot of time on my knees praying. The Lord sent me angels. I would not have survived without them."

It made all the difference.

"That whole experience was a turning point for me," he says now.
"If you get knocked on your ass often enough, even the slowest person will figure it out."

He did.

"Fifty-six is different than 36," he explains. "At 36 my head was down and I was just working hard and going forward. I still have a lot to get done (today). We're growing, and that's good. But now I think more about how I can make this a sustainable organization for the people who have put faith in me. We work hard to find ways to give our people more security. We're big on time off, on family. Everyone remembers experiences, not necessarily money."

Clore looks happy. He is married to a girl he went to high school with and has a grown son Cole and a daughter Kinley who is a fifth-grader at Carmel Elementary. Cole is off to a good start in his career and Kinley is a budding young tennis player and cheerleader.

Meanwhile, their dad is doing anything but sitting back on his laurels.

"The challenge is always that the business will outgrow your acumen," he said. "We all run that risk. I still have a lot to learn. If you line up my failures against my successes, there'd be a lot more failures."

You can spend hours talking to the man who has crafted a success story in life as well as business, but the one thing you won't hear much about is his ego.

"No one in my business is allowed to call me boss. We're all in this together. I feel like I owe them my service.

"For some backwoods insurance agency in Cornfield, Indiana we haven't done too shab-by."

Not too shabby indeed.

Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically on Wednesdays in The Paper. Timmons is the publisher of The Paper and can be contacted at ttimmons@thepaper24-7.

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Since the deaths of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor, policing has gotten even harder. The institution-leery public took to the streets demanding for more accountability, transparency and training. Some sought to "defund the police." Others wanted a foundational restructuring of roles and responsibilities in situations, such as de-escalation in a mental or behavioral health crisis. Presently, Montgomery County deputies have minimal training yet are dispatched to mental and behavioral crises.

Needham's force routinely struggles with the expectation that the county jail will substitute for hospital services in cases of mental illness or crisis, a problem that he said he doesn't see the state doing anything about it. He said that law enforcement is the only option after Valley Oaks and Cummins close for the evenings and weekends and that can mean a "timeout" in jail.

"But they're not getting the help they need here. I mean, you know, they're safe. For the most part, the community is safe, but we're not doing anything to fix that problem." (Check out the LWV column "There's a Better Way" about how Maryland is relieving officers of those duties by giving them to mental

health professionals.) Most communities don't want to defund or dismantle the police. Some have put their dollars on accountability and transparency, funding cameras for every officer. Sheriff Needham said that he wished people would interact reasonably with law enforcement, and if they feel their rights were violated, resolve that in the courts.

Dethorne Graham did

just that after suffering

a broken foot and other injuries while being detained by officers in Charlotte, N.C. He was in a state of diabetic shock and waving his arms around. Though he had not threatened or struck anyone, the Court set a precedent that weighted the officers' point of view over the person's. (Source: More Perfect – Mr. Graham and the Reasonable Man) But no community wants its reputation blackened by an incident, which is why they've called for better training to help officers to respond less aggressively to someone like Dethorne Graham, or Charles Kinsey, the Miami, Fla., caregiver shot while trying to coach his client with autism back into a facility, or Daniel Prude of New York, killed while suffering an acute mental crisis. Presently deputies

need 24 hours of training annually and can pursue more in their areas of interest. Needham said his deputies pursue SWAT, cyber-crime, polygraph testing, interviewing and canine unit training. Around the country, other departments are implementing Crisis **Intervention Training** (CIT), De-escalation, Non-stress-based training and procedural justice policing – where officers begin with a focus on giving dignity, respect and voice, as well as being trustworthy, neutral and transparent. It jives with what Sheriff Needham considers the cornerstone of his philos-

"My philosophy is simple. It's truly treat people how you want to be treated," he said, "or how you would want your family member treated."

But it also needs to be an essential discipline in every aspect of the job, and that requires training.

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