

TODAY'S VERSE

1 Corinthians 13:13 So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. (ESV)

FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Sabrina Robinson smiles happily for one of our roving photographers the other morning. Thank you for your smile!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Our friends at Lawn Love ranked the best cities for local flowers and unbelievably, we weren't on it! How could they? Well, OK, it seems this was a comparison of the 200 largest U.S. cities, so perhaps we can cut them a break. Lawn Love said they looked at access to flower shops and specialty-cut flower vendors, consumer ratings and even the number of flower festivals. Who was the best? New York, Miami, Philly and Chicago rounded out the top four. Indianapolis came in at No. 41 and the only other Hoosier city ranked was Ft. Wayne at 126.

2 The Potter Park Zoo in Lansing, MI described the bongo as "one of the most majestic and endangered members of the antelope family" in its announcement of the rare, recent birth of a female eastern bongo calf. How rare are bongos? According to the zoo, only about 100 eastern bongos remain in the wild and about 300 bongos are protected in accredited zoos; "their ornate horns and vibrant orange coat make them a target for hunting and poaching."

3 The Indiana Department of Transportation announces restrictions on U.S. 231 starting on or after Saturday, April 1 for work on an Added Travel Lanes Project. Restrictions will be active Monday through Friday, and involve an intermittent flagging operation. Saturday restrictions are also possible. This contract was awarded to Rieth Riley Construction for \$15.9 million. It involves adding auxiliary and passing lanes to U.S. 231, asphalt resurfacing and culvert work along U.S. 231, from approximately 4.19-miles north of I-74 (Crawfordsville) to approximately 2.53-miles north of State Road 28 (Lafayette). This contract includes multiple phases, and will require traffic switches. INDOT will provide timely updates prior to each phase. The entire contract is expected to be completed in November 2024.

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Women's History Month: Insights Into Finance And Banking



The League of Women Voters, open to men as well as women, is a nonpartisan, multi-issue political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government. For information about the Montgomery County LWV, visit: www.lwvmontco.in.org or message to LWV, PO Box 101, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

With the markets shaky, let's celebrate Women's History Month through the stories of three women, outliers and trailblazers, whose financial savvy may hold some lessons for the present. Hetty Green, Maggie Lena Walker and Elinor Ostrom

lend us insights into value investing, community building and community-centered solutions when resources are limited.

Just under 50 years ago, women still needed a father or husband's signature to take out a line of credit. Before that even, a woman like Hetty Green (1834-1916) was usually subjected to rules of "coverture," which transferred her assets from her father to her husband at the time of marriage, but Green would have none of that. Educated by her father

and grandfather to know how to manage her estate, she advocated for herself, and later for financial education for women.

"American women would be much happier, if they learned the principles of business in girlhood," Green said.

Independent and strong-willed, Green was either miserly or very thrifty, depending on how the stories are told. She employed the strategy we call value investing, whereby a person picks high-quality investments that appear undervalued and doesn't part with them for decades.

To quote Green: "There is no great secret in fortune making. All you do is buy cheap and sell dear, act with thrift and shrewdness and be persistent."

Compare her philosophy to Warren Buffett's, "Whether we're talking about socks or stocks, I like buying quality merchandise when it is marked down." And "Only buy something that you'd be perfectly happy to hold if the market shut down for 10 years."

Buffett has said, "do not con-

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Spring Sprung Surprise On Timmons



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

With the dawning of spring earlier this week, I couldn't wait to get outside and enjoy some fresh air. So I threw on the sweats, laced up the sneakers and hit the trail. Oh man it felt good!

Did I mention it was oh-dark-thirty? Like a lot of us my age, I don't sleep in anymore. And once the workday starts, it's too easy to get caught up in putting out fires. Next thing you know,

you missed lunch and bing, bang, boom . . . it's getting dark outside.

After days like that, who has the energy left to go for a walk?

So before the sun comes up, I'm enjoying the fresh air, the quiet and solitude on the trail and a little exercise.

Except not on this day.

Just as I got to the darkest stretch of the trail, everything lit up like the giant spotlights car dealers used to use back in the '60s. I didn't hear anything unusual - but quickly realized James Taylor was singing Carolina on my Mind in my headphones. I yanked the earbuds out and heard or maybe felt a deep, deep bass that shook my whole body. Before I could take another step, a sort of fuzzy, sparkling beam of light appeared on the trail. Slowly, an alien creature materialized in the

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HHSB Hosting Blood Drive

Hoosier Heartland State Bank is once again hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 9:45 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.

The blood drive will be held at the HHSB - Crawfordsville South branch 1661 US Highway 231 South, Crawfordsville. Help make a difference and donate!

Blood is unique in our health-care ecosystem. It cannot be synthetically made, meaning volunteers are the only way to provide blood to those in need. And the demand is great: every two seconds, someone in America needs a blood transfusion. You can give the gift of life at our Blood Drive.

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Montgomery County Master Gardeners Offer \$500 Scholarship

The Montgomery County Master Gardeners are happy to announce that they will be once again awarding a \$500 scholarship to any Montgomery County resident attending an accredited Indiana college or university and pursuing a degree in some field related to horticulture or plant sciences, such as botany, agriculture, landscape design, forestry, or others. Applications are now available at the Purdue Montgomery County Extension office, 400 Parke Avenue. Completed applications must be submitted no later than April 7, 2023. The winner will be announced by May 31.

The Purdue Extension Master Gardener Program trains gardening enthusiasts as volunteers to assist Purdue Extension with home horticulture education in Indiana communities. Purdue Extension Master Gardeners are "Helping Others Grow!" The Program provides a learning framework for participants to increase their knowledge on a wide variety of horticultural subjects. In turn, participants volunteer and help others grow by sharing knowledge while providing leadership and service in educational gardening activities within their communities.



Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 7:42 a.m.
SET: 7:58 p.m.



High/Low
Temperatures
High: 58 °F
Low: 43 °F



Today Is...:

- National Goof-Off Day
- World Water Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1963 The Beatles release their first album. Please Please Me, which included the hit single "Love Me Do" is regarded as one of the greatest albums of all time.
- 1993 The Intel Corporation produces the first Pentium microprocessor. Intel holds about 80% of the world market share in the PC microprocessor business.



Births On This Day

- 1948 Andrew Lloyd Webber

English director, composer

- 1930 Stephen Sondheim

American composer, songwriter

Deaths On This Day

- 1820 Stephen Decatur
- American navy officer
- 2001 William Hanna
- American animator, director, producer, actor, co-founded Hanna-Barbera

HONEST HOOSIER

This from a reader: "Your" truth does not set you free. "The" truth sets you free. Well said!



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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Think of exercise as a way to improve your health, not necessarily as a way to look better. 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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The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank Adam Hutchison for subscribing!



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THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Want To Go?

Continuing a practice he started since first taking office, 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 - 5 p.m. at the Mayor's Office Conference Room. The Mayor's Office is located at 300 E Pike St.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"The axe forgets, but the tree remembers."
Old saying

TODAY'S JOKE

The boss didn't believe that George had a talking dog. So George asked the dog what's on top of a house and the dog said "roof." The boss frowned. So George asked what sandpaper is like and the dog said "rough." The boss shook his head. Exasperated, George asked the dog who the greatest baseball player of all time was and the dog said "Ruth." The boss threw his hands up and stormed off.

The dog looked at George and said, "Was it Hank Aaron?"

WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

42/58 WED	55/67 THU	41/50 FRI	42/48 SAT	36/57 SUN	40/56 MON	35/50 TUE
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Letters

Mother Hopes 'Jake's Law' Passes This Time

Dear Editor,
 It's been 10 years since I handed my healthy, happy, amazing son some cash in the high school parking lot so he could go out to eat with his friends after football practice.

He said, "Thanks, momma, I love you." I told him I loved him back. And those were the last words we spoke.

Jake was 17 years old when he died of sudden cardiac arrest after collapsing during a play at practice. He'd passed every sport and school physical exam. We had no family heart history that we knew of. He was alive and thriving one minute, and then he was gone. My son did not come home from school that day.

While sudden cardiac death (SCA) is the leading cause of death in the U.S., taking the lives of 356,000 people annually, what most people don't know is that SCA is the number one killer of student-athletes and the leading cause of death on school campuses.

According to Parent Heart Watch, a national voice solely dedicated to protecting youth from sudden cardiac arrest and preventable sudden cardiac death, the only way to restart a heart in cardiac arrest is by using an automated external defibrillator (AED). Having AEDs wherever youth congregate that are easily accessible and ready to use in the event of an emergency is paramount to saving lives.

Indiana Senate Bill 369,

"Jake's Law," would ensure operating AEDs are present at athletic facilities. Anyone overseeing or supervising an activity at the facility would be informed of the location of the AED by school or event personnel. The bill also would ensure every venue has a specific emergency action plan when sudden cardiac arrest occurs.

This legislation passed the Senate unanimously last year and this year. It is scheduled for a hearing in the House this week. Unlike so many issues right now that divide us along political lines, this one has little opposition, and it carries minimal cost.

Losing a child is every parent's nightmare. Jake would be 27 this year. In the terminal skip of a heartbeat, the life he would have lived—the person he could have become—turned into a decade of "what ifs" and "could have beens" for those he left behind.

I know installing AEDs might not save every young athlete who suffers sudden cardiac arrest at school but saving just one life—knowing that another family could be spared the pain we have endured—would make this fight worth it. The ripple effects from such a tragedy spread far beyond what we realize. Please join me in supporting Senate Bill 369 "Jake's Law" this session.

Julie West
 LaPorte, Ind.

State Gets Legal Victory Over Indy Fraud Operation



Attorney General Todd Rokita

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita announced this week that his office has filed two separate Assurances of Voluntary Compliance with all respondents related to an ongoing real estate fraud operation in Marion County.

"The Office of the Attorney General is pleased to have reached a settlement that will provide resolution to this matter," Rokita said. "This settlement ensures consumers are adequately compensated for their losses and Hoosiers are protected from the possibility of future harm."

Attorney General Rokita thanked deputies attorney general, investigators, and Indiana legal services attorney for their leadership.

The respondents are as follows:

- Axia Holdings, LLC;
- Berkeley Asset Fund, LLC;
- Darko Ventures, LLC;
- Darko Ventures LLC-S;
- Midwest Holdings-Indianapolis, LLC;
- Ashley Heindl;
- James S. Bleier, Jr.;
- Joe D. Fall III

The respondent, James S. Bleier, Jr., who is a licensed real estate broker, faced a separate

broker licensing action in connection with the alleged activities of the companies and their agents over a course of years, including, but not limited to, the following allegations:

- An alleged conspiracy by and among respondents and their agents to locate properties at risk of tax sale, create falsified heirs and heirship affidavits to obtain title, and finally the filing of a quiet title action to "wash" the title so that it could be sold free and clear of any liens or other claims to title. In certain instances, this had the effect of disinheritors heirs to the property following the death of their loved ones. The Attorney General also obtained evidence of the alleged use of falsified or forged documents that were recorded by respondents for the purpose of obtaining title of properties not owned by them.

- An alleged conspiracy to defraud an elderly Monroe County woman by attempting to leverage an allegedly forged purchase and sale agreement against her to force the sale of her property at a vastly reduced price compared to its market value. One of the respondents sued the woman, who was in a nursing home at the time, attempting to force her sale of the home using the fraudulent purchase and sale agreement. Thankfully, with the assistance of Indiana Legal Services attorney Carl Greci, the woman successfully defended herself from the suit and was able to maintain possession of the home.

- An alleged conspiracy to defraud an elderly

Indianapolis woman who suffers from short term memory loss by convincing her to sign a \$50,000 note payable to respondent company Midwest Holdings-Indianapolis. According to evidence obtained by the Attorney General the loan was allegedly never intended to be paid back.

- An alleged use by respondents of forged mechanic's lien release documents in order to avoid a dispute with a former contractor - making it impossible for that contractor to collect on monies he claimed he was owed by using his forged signature on a lien release just prior to the property being sold.

Under the terms of the settlement, respondent companies agree to voluntarily dissolve. James S. Bleier, II, one of the Respondents, has agreed to the voluntary surrender of his real estate broker license within 10 days.

Respondent Ashley Heindl is subject to a seven-year prohibition from seeking licensure as a real estate broker in the State of Indiana and is likewise prohibited from drafting or negotiating documents in connection with a real estate transaction in which she is not a party.

Respondent Joe D. Fall III is likewise subject to the similar restrictions for a period of 10 years under a separate Assurance of Voluntary Compliance.

In addition, respondents will collectively pay \$75,000 in consumer restitution to be distributed to certain victims who filed complaints with the Indiana Attorney General's Office. All the respondents denied any

wrongdoing in connection with the settlements.

The Homeowner Protection Unit of the Consumer Protection Division conducted a thorough investigation into the matter and worked diligently to reach a fair and just resolution for all parties involved. The courts where the matters were filed will maintain jurisdiction for a period of two years in order to ensure compliance with the terms of the respective settlements.

"The mission of the Homeowner Protection Unit is to protect the rights of all individuals involved in the housing market, including tenants, homeowners, and aspiring homeowners, by investigating and redressing deceptive acts in connection with mortgage lending and violations of relevant state and federal laws. We strive to ensure equal access to housing opportunities for Hoosiers and promote the proper functioning of homeowner's associations. We work closely with law enforcement agencies at all levels to ensure justice is served and homeowners and tenants are protected."

Attorney General Rokita thanks and commends Deputy Attorney General Kelsey McKnight and Investigator Natalie Christy for their excellent work on this case.

Hoosiers are encouraged to contact the Office of the Indiana Attorney General about any suspected scams or scam attempts. Consumers can file a complaint by visiting indianaconsumer.com or calling 1-800-382-5516.

More Than \$300,000 In Energy Bill Assistance Available For Duke Energy Indiana Customers

More than \$300,000 in financial assistance is available to Duke Energy Indiana customers who may be struggling to pay their energy bills. The funding is made possible through Duke Energy's Share the Light Fund, which brings together customers and communities to help individuals and families in need. Qualifying Duke Energy customers can receive up to a \$300 credit annually on their account.

Over the last five years, Duke Energy has supported more than 12,000 Indiana households with more than \$3 million in energy bill assistance. The company works in partnership with the Indiana Community Action Association to distribute assistance funds. Customers should contact their local community ac-



tion agency to see if they are eligible. Click here to find a listing of service providers by county.

Customers interested in helping their neighbors in need will soon be able to easily make a donation to the Share the Light Fund by rounding up their monthly bill amount to the nearest dollar.

In an effort to expand support for low-income customers, Duke Energy Indiana will also begin reducing the securi-

ty deposit amount for customers eligible for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). In addition, when Indiana's winter disconnection moratorium ends on March 15, LIHEAP-qualified customers carrying a past-due balance will be auto-enrolled in a special, extended installment plan.

These new measures are the latest steps in a companywide effort

to pair long-standing programs with creative, new approaches to assist customers and communities in need. During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, Duke Energy stood up a dedicated team to work in collaboration with government agencies at the state and federal levels to increase customer assistance and expand participation in energy efficiency programs and services. This work includes proactive engagement to educate customers of their eligibility for LIHEAP dollars to help offset energy bills.

Duke Energy offers a number of other tools and resources to help customers take control of their energy use and save money. To learn more about these programs, visit duke-energy.com/HereToHelp.

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White Claw, Truly And More: Wholesalers Battle Over Bill On Mixed Beverages

By Leslie Bonilla Muniz

Mixed alcoholic beverages like White Claw and Truly hard seltzers have in recent years exploded in popularity, and wholesalers — the middlemen between manufacturers and retailers — all want a piece of the pie.

But the beverages are categorized as liquor under current Indiana law, leaving beer wholesalers out of the action. Senate Bill 1544 would open sales to all wholesale types — and has already reopened industry squabbles over who gets to sell what.

It is just one alcohol-related bill moving through the General Assembly. Others would let salons sell patrons alcohol — among several other provisions — and create a new state craft beverage council.

Beer, liquor and wine “guys” duke it out

Indiana has three types of alcohol permits, and no entity can hold all three. That’s why there are major implications to how the state categorizes beverages.

“You can only do liquor and wine, or beer and wine,” Rep. Chris Jeter, R-Fishers, told the Capital Chronicle. “And so as a result of that, when we have new products come to market — that are not exactly beer, they’re not exactly liquor, they’re not exactly wine — the question becomes: who gets to wholesale them?”

Right now, liquor wholesalers have dibs. Jeter’s House Bill 1544 would define mixed beverages and put them under wine licenses, allowing all wholesaler types access.

It’s been done before. “That happened in the ‘90s with flavored malt beverages ... They were wholesaled as beer but they weren’t really beer based,” Jeter said. “And so we created a new category and put them under the wine license because everybody, anybody can

compete.”

His liquor-based mixed beverages edition is limited to containers with 24 ounces or less of the beverage, and that are 15% or less alcohol by volume.

Stanley Zihlerl, president of Five Star Distributing, told lawmakers that wholesalers and their suppliers have tight-knit, “multi-generational relationships” and that a beer wholesaler should be able to carry all of a supplier’s products.

But spirits wholesalers object.

“Please do not allow all of my colleagues’ work and my work to simply go away into the hands and pockets of the beer people, especially if I do not have the parity to be able to sell what they have,” Tiffany Pascoe told lawmakers at a late January hearing. She’s a key accounts manager for Republic National Distributing Company.

“I’m all about free market [but] why can they come and take my products away and not give anything to compete for? This is pure greed,” she added.

Lawmakers clarified that the bill itself doesn’t take products away, but Pascoe countered that if she wasn’t gaining something on par with the beer wholesalers, she was losing.

Tom Morgan, executive vice president for the firm’s Hoosier operations, suggested that spirits wholesalers get franchise protection like their beer counterparts, but lawmakers implied there wasn’t enough competition to warrant such a change.

Jeter said he didn’t know how his bill would fare against that deep-rooted divide.

“Look, there’s really heavily invested interests in this industry, obviously,” he said. “I don’t think it’s a given that it gets heard or that it passes, but I just felt like

it was kind of the right thing to do.”

Alcohol at the barbershop? Not under his watch

Several more alcohol-related provisions are moving in House Bill 1217, which its skeptical Senate sponsor has dubbed a “Christmas tree bill.”

One would let “beauty culture salon” employees with the necessary permits dispense beer or wine to customers.

Sen. Ron Alting, R-Lafayette, led the charge to bring alcohol to movie theaters, but told the Capital Chronicle that they’re a more “controlled environment.”

Indiana has about 8,000 licensed salons — “That could have the possibility of 8,000 additional places serving now,” Alting said. “That is a heck of an expansive amount.”

He’s also considering cutting a provision letting small breweries get, bottle and package beer from other small breweries, as long as they meet certain requirements.

The bill incorporates several other former bills.

It adds five historic district restaurant permits in Valparaiso and changes the cost; lets artisan distillers produce 20,000 gallons of liquor annually instead of 10,000; allows some brewers to sell their beer to food manufacturers and lets those with farm winery permits give free samples at nonprofit farmer’s markets — among other provisions.

Alting said he’d had staff pull out each distinct provision and was reviewing each.

Bill author Rep. Ethan Manning, R-Logansport, said he’d put several small changes together into one big bill for the sake of efficiency “instead of wasting everybody’s time with separate bills.”

“I know Sen. Alting hasn’t been a fan of that [salon provision] in the

past, and that’s okay,” he added. “We’ll have those conversations about, ultimately, what happens with that provision.”

New council gets broad support

It turns out there’s something alcohol types can agree on: a new state craft beverage council, replacing one specific to wine.

“I think it’s pretty rare that you see all three segments of the craft industry come before your committee and ask for a piece of legislation jointly,” said Chris Gibson, a lobbyist representing the Indiana Winery and Vineyard Association.

He spoke at a Senate committee last week on House Bill 1624.

The legislation sets up the proposed body’s funding infrastructure — it would get a small chunk of excise tax revenue — as well as a governance structure, responsibilities and the authority to start a nonprofit for fundraising purposes.

“When the funding was cut off from the grape wine council, it was kind of a blessing in disguise,” author Rep. Steve Bartels, R-Eckert said. “That was a catalyst for the Indiana Distillers Guild to step back up. But more importantly, this actually started the collaboration and also the unification of all three manufacturers.”

Alcohol and industry representatives said it would boost collaboration.

Capital Chronicle reporter Whitney Downard contributed reporting.

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Virtual Suicide Bereavement Clinician Training

The suicide of a loved one can have a profound and sometimes devastating impact on those left behind, called suicide survivors. Bereavement after suicide may entail high levels of disorientation, guilt, regret, anger, shame, and trauma. Survivors sometimes also find their relationships with other people changed, as they struggle with the social stigma often placed on suicide, and the altered family relationships that have been changed by the feelings of guilt, blame, and failure that suicide may engender. Survivors may also be at risk for elevated rates of complicated grief and future suicidality themselves. All of this makes surviving the suicide of a loved one a potentially life-transforming ordeal that requires a level of support that goes beyond traditional grief counseling. Yet very few mental health training programs devote any time to training clinicians about the challenging work of suicide postvention — helping survivors cope with the tragic loss.

This workshop will provide a focused overview of the impact of suicide on

survivors, and the clinical and support responses that are needed after a suicide occurs. The workshop will include didactic presentation, group discussion, case examples from the presenter’s practice, and video clips from grief therapy sessions. These research-based techniques will help you gain confidence in working with survivors of suicide loss. You must attend the full day of training to receive a CE certificate

- Topics will include:
- The psychological impact of suicide on survivors and common themes in the bereavement of survivors
 - The impact of suicide on family functioning
 - What research with survivors tells us is needed
 - The tasks of loss integration and recovery for survivors
 - Postvention options for survivors
 - Principles of postvention after client suicide
 - Principles of longer term clinical work with survivors
 - Examples of specific clinical techniques that can be of use in grief therapy with survivors

Braun Ranked Highly By Non-Partisan Group

The non-partisan Center for Effective Lawmaking released their 117th Congress (2021-2022) rankings this week with good news for Indiana Sen. Mike Braun.

• Braun ranked the sixth most effective Senate Republican. The Senators’ above him on the list have all served more than 12 years in Congress compared to Braun’s four.

• Braun was the highest ranked Republican on the “Freshman Senators Exceeding Expectations” list.

• In individual policy areas, Braun was ranked the Most Effective Republican Senator in Agriculture and Most Effective Republican Senator in Health.

The Center for Effective Lawmaking made special mention of Senator Braun’s legislative effectiveness in their report: “Also new to our top-10 list is Sen. Mike Braun of Indiana, who first entered the Senate in the previous 116th Congress. Though relatively junior, Sen. Braun introduced 80 bills, 20 of which engaged with

health policy. He ultimately saw four of his bills pass the Senate, and three of them become law.”

The Center for Effective Lawmaking is a nonpartisan research organization directed through a partnership between the University of Virginia and Vanderbilt University. Their effectiveness ratings for lawmakers are widely cited among the Capitol Hill press.

The Center for Effective Lawmaking made the same research group that previously ranked Senator Braun’s predecessor as the least effective Democrat in the Senate.

“I told Hoosiers I would get to work and get results, and that’s what I’ve done every day since I left my business to go work for you in the Senate,” Braun said in response to the news. “I’m proud to be one of the Top Ten Most Effective Republicans in the Senate, and the Most Effective Republican in Agriculture and Health, two issues that matter so much for Indiana.”

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Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2022
Table with columns: Local Fund Number, Local Fund Name, Beg Cash & Inv Bal Jan. 1, 2022, Receipts, Disbursements, End Cash & Inv Bal Dec. 31, 2022. Includes various fund entries like 0335 Coroner Ed Fd, 0337 Intrst Compact Fee Fd, etc.

Montgomery County Solid Waste District, Montgomery County, Indiana
Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2022
Table with columns: Local Fund Number, Local Fund Name, Beg Cash & Inv Bal Jan. 1, 2022, Receipts, Disbursements, End Cash & Inv Bal Dec. 31, 2022. Includes entry for Solid Waste Management Fund.

Thanks for reading The Paper!

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MONTGOMERY SUPERIOR / CIRCUIT COURT
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2. Both parties request the Court to approve their Settlement Agreement and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage.
3. Both parties voluntarily waive the opportunity to hold a final hearing on contested issues and have signed below before filing this document with the court.
I affirm under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing representations are true.
Petitioner Respondent
Jennifer Gibbs Joshua David Gibbs
Address: 2005 Braeburn Ct Apt B Crawfordsville, IN 47933 (765) 401-5677
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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS
Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of the Town of New Richmond, Montgomery County, Indiana that the proper legal officers will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year at their regular meeting place:
New Richmond Fire Station, 215 South Prairie Street, at 6:00 p.p. on the 5th day of April, 2023.
Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. You can also send your comments in a written statement to:
Town of New Richmond, PO Box 210, New Richmond, IN 4796
Or drop it off at the New Richmond Town Hall drop box at: 110 South Wabash Street, New Richmond, IN
Fund Name: General Fund Amount Requested
Major Budget Classification:
30000: Principal on Debt \$16,428
Total for General Fund \$16,428
Fund Name: Public Safety Fund Amount Requested
Major Budget Classification:
30000 Other Services \$1,300
40000 Machinery, Equipment, & Vehicles \$6,500
Total Public Safety Fund \$7,800
The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF). The DLGF will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action take.
Dated: March 22, 2023
Alaatha Frost
New Richmond Clerk - Treasurer
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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 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:
LOT NUMBERED 14 IN ENGLEWOOD PARK, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF LOT NUMBERED 1, IN THE ORIGINAL PLAT OF FAIRVIEW, AS PLATTED UPON PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INDIANA.
More commonly known as: 306 Wilson Ave, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 Parcel No. 54-10-04-222-042-000-030
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
"Subject to all lines, encumbrances and easement of record not otherwise extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause 54D01-2207-MF-000632 in the Superior Court of Montgomery County, Indiana."
Plaintiff Attorney: Brian K. Tekulve
ATTORNEY NO. 30882-49
Law Office of Gerald M. Shapiro, LLP
4805 Montgomery Road, Suite 320
Norwood, OH 45212
(513) 396-8100 Fax: (847) 627-8805
btekulve@logs.com
Sheriff of Montgomery County
Union Township
306 Wilson Ave
Crawfordsville, IN 47933
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein
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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 County.
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 Cumulative 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
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Notice to Bidders
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 o'clock a.m. (local time), Wednesday, 29 March 2023 for furnishing all necessary labor, 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 (765) 362-1277.
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 immediate 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 acceptance 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
J. Kent Minnette
City Attorney
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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY CASE NO. 54C012302MI000168
IN RE THE MATTER OF: Skyler Renee Woodcock
Petitioner
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
Karyn Douglas
County Clerk
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MDK # 22-037388
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MONTGOMERY CIRCUIT COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY) CAUSE NO. 54C01-2302-MF-000144
Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Allen Beasley and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Allen Beasley, et al.
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO: The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Allen Beasley and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Allen Beasley;
BE IT KNOWN, that Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, the above-named Plaintiff, by its attorney, J. Dustin Smith, has filed in the office of the Clerk of the Montgomery Circuit Court its Complaint against Defendant The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Allen Beasley and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Allen Beasley, and the said Plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that the residence and whereabouts of the Defendant, The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Allen Beasley and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Allen Beasley, upon diligent inquiry is unknown, and that said cause of action is for default on the promissory note and to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate in Montgomery County, State of Indiana, to wit:
Part of the East Half of Section 21, Township 18 North, Range 3 West, described as follows:
Beginning 3201 feet North of the Southwest corner of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section and running thence East 320.2 feet; thence North 109.5 feet; thence West 320.5 feet, thence South 109.5 feet to the place of beginning, containing .805 of an acre, more or less, in Montgomery County, Indiana
commonly known as 3376 South 775 East, New Ross, IN 47968.
NOW, THEREFORE, said Defendant is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said Complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or otherwise defend thereto within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published, judgment by default may be entered against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
Dated Clerk, Montgomery Circuit Court
J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
Stephanie A. Reinhart (25071-06)
Nicholas M. Smith (31800-15)
Chris Wiley (26936-10)
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Montgomery County Redevelopment Authority, Montgomery County, Indiana					
Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2022					
Local Fund Number	Local Fund Name	Beg Cash & Inv Bal Jan. 1, 2022	Receipts	Disbursements	End Cash & Inv Bal Dec. 31, 2022
4864	RDA 2022 PROJECT L/R	\$0.00	\$6,734,122.51	\$5,983,194.44	\$750,928.07
4865	RDA 2022 BD ISS EXP L/R (TS)	\$0.00	\$146,604.29	\$146,604.29	\$0.00
4866	RDA 2022 BOND INT (TS)	\$0.00	\$481,529.99	\$76,028.96	\$405,501.03
4871	RDA 2022 SINKING FUND (TS)	\$0.00	\$76,028.96	\$76,028.96	\$0.00
4889	RDA P & I 2018	\$3,000.62	\$23.74	\$0.00	\$3,024.36
4890	RDA 2018 Sinking Fund	\$182,609.77	\$147,253.65	\$255,000.00	\$74,863.42
	Total All Funds	\$185,610.39	\$7,585,563.14	\$6,536,856.65	\$1,234,316.88

I, Mindy Byers, Auditor of Montgomery County, hereby certify that data contained in the 2022 Annual Financial Report is accurate and agrees with the financial record as of December 31, 2022 to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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fuse the cost of living with the standard of living." Getty built her fortune by living far below her means. According to Smithsonian Magazine, she demanded her husband Edward Green sign a prenup, so she controlled her money. She placed him on an allowance and when his financial dealings left him in ruin, she refused to rescue him. Anecdotes of her thrift include waiting until her undergarments were in tatters before replacing them and cooking oatmeal on her radiator. Some rivals implied that her refusal to seek medical care for her children resulted in her son's leg amputation. Notably, he disputed that account saying his infection in his youth hadn't led to the amputation years later. A generation behind Getty came Maggie Lena Walker (1864-1934), a woman who knew the value of the penny. Born to enslaved parents, Walker was inclined toward math, accounting and entrepreneurship from her youth. Her father's death when she was young pitched the family into poverty, so she worked alongside her

mother as a laundress. By 1903, she started the St. Luke Penny Savings Bank in Richmond, Virginia, where she'd been born, to help the black community save money and build economic independence. Later, when she saw banks struggling before the 1929 Stock Market Crash, she consolidated two other banks with St. Luke's creating Consolidated Bank and Trust, which is thought to be one of the oldest continuously black-owned banks in the U.S., sold to Premier Bank in 2009. Walker also served as president of her local NAACP chapter, and she opened an insurance company for black Virginians. Walker's expansive care of her community represents the conscience that makes any monetary system work. Much later, another woman who survived the Great Depression would lend insight into the interaction of human behavior and limited resources. Elinor Ostrom (1923-2012) grew up planting Victory Gardens and handknitting scarves for soldiers. She paid her way through college, and

worked her way past presumed "women's" work - secretarial duties - before she earned her PhD in economics where she studied human behavior around "the tragedy of the commons." Explanatory comma here for "tragedy of commons:" Imagine 12 people around a table with 12 slices of bacon laid out on a plate. The 12 each have the chance to snatch and eat as much as they like, no restrictions. However, they cannot talk to each other, and if they leave any on the plate after a minute, that number will be doubled. Some will take as much as they can for themselves, right? That is the tragedy of the commons. Now, give them a second chance. This time, they have 15 seconds to discuss how to handle the bacon. Otherwise, the same rules apply. Each can gobble up whatever they want, but whatever they leave will be doubled. Some communities will trust each other. Others will not. Those who establish a plan for preventing the depletion of the bacon are creating community governance

procedures from the bottom up. The success of these depends upon each participant's ability to manage their urge toward self-preservation (or bacon!) while building trust with those around them. It's all about human psychology, which is also true when it comes to markets and inflation. The ability to build and sustain resources requires vision and discipline. It also requires us to communicate and foster solutions that tolerate risk-averse members of our community to achieve a greater good. Final Note: Ostrom was one of us. She finished her career at Indiana University and died in Bloomington in 2012, the only woman to earn a Nobel Prize in Economics. So far.

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, multi-issue political organization which encourages informed and active participation in government. For information about the League, visit the website www.lwvmontcoin.org; or, visit the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County, Indiana Facebook page.

Department of Workforce Development Host 2023 JAG Indiana Career Development Conference

Governor Eric J. Holcomb and the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD) held the 2023 State Career Development Conference Friday, March 17. An annual event for Hoosier high school students enrolled in Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) to participate in competitive events that highlight the employability skills they have learned through the program. As the gateway between industry and talent, DWD's JAG program builds a talent pipeline to Indiana employers by helping high school students achieve success through high school graduation. "JAG is helping young Hoosiers define who they want to be and equipping them with the necessary skills to be successful after graduation," Gov. Holcomb said. "Through JAG, more Indiana students are earning their high school diploma, entering the workforce, enrolling in postsecondary education and enlisting in the military." JAG Indiana's 15th annual Career Development Conference was the culmination of regional competitions, which focused on disciplines critical to employment. More than 140 students from 57 Indiana high schools advanced to the state conference for an opportunity to earn monetary awards by showcasing skills learned through the program, such as finance, entrepreneurship and project management. "JAG is all about building tomorrow's

workforce, today," said DWD Commissioner David J. Adams. "By connecting talent - especially at an early age - with the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to access the market, and filling roles employers need immediately, we are moving Indiana forward together. Employers engaged with JAG students get the opportunity to see their future workforce and select their next employees, and students get introduced to real world employers, jobs and careers." Students competed in 14 categories, including the top Outstanding Senior award. A full list of first, second and third place finishers, along with photos of these students, can be found here. "JAG has been truly beneficial to me," said Milan High School senior Madison Cavins. "It has helped me grow into this person that I am now, today. JAG has taught me professional interview skills, financial literacy, public speaking skills, and it has also taught me where to go in life." JAG is a state-based, national non-profit organization that assists students with barriers to success by helping them overcome academic challenges and achieve graduation. Students learn up to 88 competencies such as critical thinking, team leadership and effective communications skills to increase employability. This year's conference took place at the Ivy Tech Community College Culinary and Conference Center in Indianapolis.

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beam. I rubbed my eyes. Had I fallen and hit my head? Was I really on the trail, or still snug in my bed and dreaming the kind of weird dream caused by eating those leftover hot dogs (they weren't THAT old, were they?) last night? No, the alien was standing there. It had long and spindly appendages and an oversized head with very large, dark eyes. If there was a mouth, it was hidden. When the alien spoke, I did not see his lips move, but rather "heard" it in my head. "Do you want me to take you to our leader?" I asked. "You must be joking," it said. "We've aren't experts on your world, but we've seen enough to know there's no point in wasting time." Obviously, an advanced alien race. "Uh, then what is it you want?" I asked - not sure whether to be excited or terrified. "Not much, actually," it replied. "We were - what's your expression - just passing through and thought we'd use this opportunity to verify some of our data." Relief. At least they weren't looking to collect specimens. "Think of us like census takers. We just want to ask a few questions and then we'll be on our way." "Sounds fine to me," I said. "How can I help?"

"Well, we have the basics covered," he said. "Your planet is made up of two sexes and-" "Uh, hang on," I said. "Yes?" "There's some dispute on that," I said. "Dispute? How can there be dispute? It's pretty basic biology, isn't it?" "Above my pay grade," I said. He wrote something down. "Fine. Well, your planet isn't much different from many others in that the female tends to be the smartest. We saw that you recently had a week devoted to women and one of them was named the International Woman of Courage. Can we talk to her?" "Uh, I guess," I said. "But she's not really uh, well, a she." The large eyes blinked. "She's a guy in a dress," I tried to explain . . . clumsily. The noise

he made sounded an awful lot like the same sigh I hear from my wife when I'm trying to explain why I can't do some household chore. "OK, then. Let's talk about the countries on your planet. Each country is a sovereign nation and protects its citizens from intruders that-" "Hold on again," I said. "What now?" "Our country used to have a way to allow immigrants in, but now they just come in whenever they please." "But how do you ensure you have enough resources for everyone?" "Uh, again, above-" "Yeah I know, above your pay grade." These guys are really smart. "OK, one last question then. As far as your family units - the maternal and paternal units are responsible in all aspects for the offspring and-"

"Uh . . ." The alien looked unsettled. "What?" "Well, there's some debate in the Legislature about whether the government or the parents should-" "You know what, never mind," my new alien friend huffed. "You guys aren't evolving. You're squabbling like neporoids." "Neporoids?" I asked. "They're a world a few galaxies over who've decided they never want to grow up. All they do is argue. We'll come back and check on you later to see if you figured it out. A lot later." 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 timmons@thepaper24-7.com.

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Schedule your lifesaving donation today! 1 in 7 patients entering a hospital require blood to be available. This ranges from trauma victims to patients battling sickle cell disease or Thalassemia, or to ensure a successful organ or bone marrow transplant. Cancer patients use 25% of all blood donations and blood transfusions

are needed in one out of every 83 newborn deliveries in America today, a rate that has increased by more than 50% between 2006 and 2015. The list goes on. In short, all of us are likely to know someone who will need blood. Despite this, only 3% of all Americans donate blood. A reality that should trouble us all.

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