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Dancing With The Montgomery County Stars Tickets To Go On Sale To The Public

The Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau's Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars fundraiser is brought to you this year by Franciscan Health Crawfordsville as the Title Sponsor.

Tickets for the event go on sale to the public on Monday, at noon. Tickets are available online at www.mcysb.org or by searching Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau. Please call 362-0694, x 104 if you need help with purchasing your tickets. Tickets are \$55 and include a catered dinner, coffee bar, fabulous entertainment, and an opportunity to shop a silent auction. There will also be a cash bar at the event. The event will be held on May 20 at Knowing Fieldhouse on the campus of Wabash College and will start at 6 pm. Doors will open at 5 pm.

Dancing with the Montgomery County stars is the largest fundraiser for the Mont-

gomery County Youth Service Bureau. The YSB serves the community through the following programs: The Juvenile Mentoring Program, the Court Appointed Special Advocate program, Youth as Resources, Teen Court, Inspire, REINdear, The Montgomery County Alternative School, and also houses The Child Abuse Prevention Council of Montgomery County. The YSB also administers the Drug Free Montgomery County Coalition and the Nourish program.

This year's dancing pairs are: (star listed first) Brad Monts and Katie Wallace; Austin Earl and Stefanie Deaton; Cameron Cole and Kashawndra Cooper; Jason Anderson and Ashley Clute; Jacob Moore and Kaylynn Keedy Ranspach; Hannah Thompson and Preston Dildine; Nick Sommer and Ashley Kight; Mikinna King and Georgia Taylor; and Dan Rogers and

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Hannah Maxine Thompson and Preston Dildine

Hannah Thompson is the chef and owner of Maxine's on Green. She has lived in Montgomery County for eight years. In her spare time, she enjoys hiking at state parks and traveling abroad. She also loves building with Legos, hanging out with friends and family, and creating fun things. The song that she says gets her "booty movin' and groovin'" is Miley Cyrus's Party in the USA. Hannah is the daughter of Bernard and Robyn Thompson, who is a Crawfordsville native. Her grandfather, Norman Zahn, started Zahn's Floor Covering. It is now owned by her uncle, Bob Zahn. She was named after her late grandmother, Maxine Hazel Zahn, and Maxine is in her restaurant's name. She has a younger brother, Nate Thompson, who with his wife, is expecting a child. Hannah says that she was really nervous when she was asked to be a star, and although she seems outgoing and charismatic, she confides that "the thought of dancing in front of a thousand people is pretty frightening." She is glad that the public is excited when it comes to this event and all those involved with dancing. Hannah decided to participate in the YSB fundraiser "for the thrill of the competition!" But she also really wanted to give back to the community in a big way. She says that she knows this fundraiser helps the Youth Service Bureau to be able to help the community so much and in many ways. She was asked to dance in 2020, but that event was postponed until this year. She says, "After seeing how the community came together to help the downtown businesses, I knew I had to help give back whenever I could." Hannah thinks the public should support this event "to honestly have a grand time and see how much goes into making it so spectacular. These dancers are taking a lot out of their normal daily lives to learn not only the group dance, but also their own particular dances for the competition. It's a super cool event and a lot of thought and preparation goes into it."

Preston Dildine is a performer. He has lived in Montgomery County his whole life. The last few years he has spent 6-7 months every year touring or performing out of state. But "MoCo" has always been his home base. He doesn't have much spare time, but when he can he likes to go to the movies and eat at new or local restaurants. His family is from Montgomery and Putman counties. His mom, aunts, and uncle are all Southmont graduates, as is he. He doesn't have much formal dance training, but has been performing in musicals since he was 12 years old. His only formal training is in ballroom through Dancing Raine Studio, formerly in Crawfordsville. He is bronze-level certified. His favorite genre of music to dance to is Latin. He says, "Give me that Latin beat and Cuban motion, and I'm in love." He participates in the YSB fundraiser because he loves supporting anything that benefits our community. He says, "All children deserve to feel loved and taken care of, and to feel heard, especially if they have been abused or left behind." He continues by saying, "We must take care of our youth because, as cheesy as it sounds, they are our future." Preston thinks the public should support the event for the same reason he is participating: our youth. But in addition, it would be supporting our local businesses, such as his dance partner's, Maxine's On Green, law enforcement officers, and government officials. He adds, "You would be showing pride and commitment to the community you call home. I can't think of too much that's more impactful than that."



Cameron Cole and Kashawndra Cooper

Cameron and Kashawndra have close connections to the Youth Service Bureau. He works there and she serves on the Board of Directors. Cameron Cole serves as the program manager for Teen Court, Youth As Resources (YAR), and REINdear. He has worked at the YSB for four years. He lives in Boone County, but he spends most of his time here in Montgomery County. Cam loves to shop, eat, and hang out with friends. His favorite past-time is definitely shopping. Beyonce's Crazy In Love ft. Jay Z is the song that makes Cam get up and dance. Cam has a very strong support system of family and friends. He loves and is grateful for them all. Cam is excited to be dancing in the big event and loves that he was asked. He said he wanted to participate in Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars because "the YSB does so much for the youth in our community, but I know there is so much more they could do. People should come support this event because it is crucial that the YSB continue doing the work they do so the youth of today become outstanding adults of tomorrow. The goal of the YSB is to empower youth to become those citizens we know they can become. Kashawndra and I know firsthand the work being done at the YSB. We see the support these youth are getting. We see the changes in these youth and we see front and center the amazing adults these youth will become. For us to become dancers for this event you just know it's such a good cause and such a crucial part in building the community we want for the future."

Kashawndra Cooper is process manager at Wiley Publishing. She has lived in Montgomery County for 35 years. When not working, she enjoys spending time with friends and family, playing card games, and eating. She also loves cooking and trying new recipes, trying not to injure herself playing volleyball, and watching way too much true crime. Kashawndra has a five-year-old son, Ellison, who keeps her on her toes. She also lives with a cockapoo named Tookie and a large cat named Boo. Her parents, Belinda and Rodney High, live close. Kashawndra's experience in dancing includes growing up taking dance lessons at Dance By Deborah. Her dancing career started in eighth grade, went through high school, and a year in college. She spent a few years coaching elementary and preschool dancers. Her favorite genre of music to dance to is pop/hip hop, but really anything with a good beat. She is participating in the event because it is combining the best of both worlds. She gets to have fun showcasing a dance with someone who may be new to dancing (in front of 800 of one's closest friends) and raise funds for the YSB. She thinks the public should come to this event and support them because "our dance is so much fun and the public will see me come out or retirement to hopefully not break anything."

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➔ **TODAY'S QUOTE**

"Each generation imagines itself to be more intelligent than the one that went before it and wiser than the one that comes after it."
George Orwell

➔ **TODAY'S JOKE**

What goes up when April showers are coming down?
Umbrellas.

➔ **TODAY'S VERSE**

Jeremiah 32:27 "Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh; is anything too difficult for Me?" (NASB)

➔ **TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

Most cases of "pink eye" are caused by viruses and will resolve on their own in a few days. 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.



➔ **HONEST HOOSIER**

How is it April already? Kind of feels like it was just Groundhog Day.



DANCER BIOS From Page A1



Brad Monts and Katie Wallace

Brad Monts is President/CEO of Hoosier Heartland State Bank. When not working, he enjoys doing projects around the house, as well as boating, golfing, and traveling. Brad has lived in Montgomery County for 42 years. When asked what song makes him get up and dance, Brad says that he doesn't really normally dance, but that he "will do anything for a great cause." Karen, his wife of 30 years, is a school librarian at Walnut Elementary, who loves to work with kids and help them find a love of reading. They have two adult children. Taylor lives in North Myrtle Beach, and Brooke lives in Carlsbad, CA. Brad says that even though their kids live on either side of the country, it gives them great places to visit! Brad is participating in Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars because he says that the need to support youth organizations is very important to him. He adds that "after serving 18 years on the South Montgomery School Board, this gives me a great way to continue supporting our local youth." Brad believes the public should come support Katie and him because it is an entertaining evening and a great way to support our youth. He would ask everyone to attend or even donate to the YSB as "we work hard to provide some entertainment and probably a few missed steps on my part!"

Katie Wallace is retired. She lives in Putman County, but has come here to participate in Dancing with the Montgomery Stars for two years. Katie has five adult children, 13 grandchildren, and a great-grandson. She loves watching her grandchildren participate in basketball, football, track and field, and competitive dance. In her spare time, Katie enjoys taking private and group ballroom dance lessons. Her oldest daughter is a ballroom instructor. For the past 20 years she has done Middle Eastern Dance and performed at three Greek restaurants in downtown Indianapolis. She taught, choreographed, and traveled to several states "meeting the best musicians and dancers in the business." Big Band music is Katie's favorite genre of music. She lists Frank Sinatra, Nat King Cole, as well as Bruno Mars, MJ, Shakira as artists she loves. Her favorite genre of dance is Foxtrot followed by Rumba and West Coast Swing. Katie says she participates in Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars because many years ago as a young mother she needed help and there were people who helped her get through a rough time, so she wants to pay it forward. She thinks the public should come to the event because "each Star is so special and always willing to raise a lot of money and then dance in front of an audience of 800 people. The cheers, support from family and friends for each Star is awesome. I love it and that's why I love participating in this event."



Jacob Moore and Kaylynn Keedy Ranspach

Jacob Moore is deputy prosecutor at the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office. When he is not working, Jacob likes to spend time with his family on the family farm, reading, playing with his daughter, and watching TV. He also serves on the board of the Montgomery County Free Clinic, and is President of the Crawfordsville Kiwanis Club. He has lived in Montgomery County his entire life. He and his wife, Larla, have a daughter. His parents are Laurel and Raoul Moore. His sister, Alex Tatman, is married and has a son. He says he is lucky to live close to extended family. A song that will always get Jacob up and moving is Magic by B.o.B. featuring Rivers Cuomo. Jacob said that he was honored to be considered for Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars and immediately said yes. But he added, "Then the nerves hit when I realized I would have to dance in front of hundreds of people." Jacob thinks the public should come out to support the YSB. He says that not enough can be said about how many kids the organization has helped through the years and the immeasurable benefit they bring to the community. But, he states, "Additionally, it'll be fun to watch me try to keep up with my partner, Kaylynn, and dance my heart out."

Kaylynn Keedy Ranspach is a social worker at North Montgomery High School. She grew up in Crawfordsville, then moved back in 2019. In her spare time, she teaches dance classes at Dance By Deborah and spends time with her family. Kaylynn has been married to her husband, Chuck, for ten years, and they have two daughters, Sawyer, 7, and Parker, 4. Kaylynn has been dancing since she started taking lessons at Dance By Deborah at age three and continued the lessons through high school. She was also a member of the Crawfordsville Dance Teams. She went on to study dance at Hope College. She has loved returning to her roots by teaching dance at DBD the last three years. She decided to participate in the YSB fundraiser because as a social worker in Montgomery County, she says she has had the chance to see the direct impact that the YSB has on the community's youth. Kaylynn thinks the public should come to the event and support Jacob and her because it is a great cause with lots of great people and she hopes it will be an entertaining performance that will make the audience want to get up and dance. She goes on to say, "Jake and I both grew up in Montgomery County and decided to raise our families here and love to give back to the community. So please donate generously."



Austin Earl and Stefanie Deaton

Austin and Stefanie have been waiting to dance together in Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars since 2020. We are thrilled that the time has finally come! Austin Earl is an insurance agent for Farm Bureau, who has lived in Montgomery County his entire life. When not working, he loves to spend time with his family. He likes to be outside, hiking and walking their dogs. He also enjoys hunting, working out, and playing basketball. Austin's wife, Brook, is also from Montgomery County. The couple started dating while attending North Montgomery High School, and have been together for 12 years. They were married in 2019 and their awesome baby girl, Ellie, was born in January of 2022. When Austin was asked to dance, he was excited because his mom did Dancing with the Stars a few years ago. He did not know a lot about the YSB before then. But since 2020, he has "had the privilege to learn more about what the YSB does and how they can help so many kids in the Montgomery County community." Austin volunteers for the Nourish Program, and his help has been greatly appreciated. He stated that he wants to participate in the event because he sees "how much the YSB does and how much they provide to the community." He has always had a passion to help, he says, and "this is an awesome opportunity to do just that." He thinks the public should come support him and Stefanie because when he went and watched his mom participate a few years ago, "it was just a really well-run event. It was fun to go and get a great meal, see many friends and community members, and then have some awesome entertainment." He feels like a lot of people say that there's nothing to do in Crawfordsville, "but this event is definitely something to do and it's a great time!"

Stefanie Deaton works for Title Resource Group as a Title Examiner. In the evening, she teaches tap, jazz, and modern dance at Crawfordsville Academy of Dance, where she has had the pleasure of teaching and choreographing for almost 25 years. She has lived in Montgomery County all of her life. Outside of work, her time is spent with her two-year-old son, Mitchell, playing with dinosaurs and puzzles, reading, and giving him rides in his empty diaper boxes. Her husband, Adam, completes her "wonderful family of three." Her amazing mom, a.k.a .Nana, takes care of Mitchell while Adam and Stefanie work. Stefanie has been a pro dancer in Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars for five years. She says that it is always so good to know that "we are raising money for such a great group of people who are involved in helping the youth of this community." The youth are our future, Stefanie believes, and she feels that we need to give them every opportunity to become the best people they can become. "The YSB can do that with the support of this community," she says, and it's important for the public to come and support the YSB. "But if you want to show your love for Austin and me, we promise to put on a good show for you...but you will have to come to the event to see what I have up my sleeve for this year's performance."

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Did You Know?

- Franklin County was founded in 1811 and named after Benjamin Franklin.
- Brookville, the county seat, contains 2, 596 residents and is 1.54 square feet.
- The county contains numerous historical landmarks.
- Brookville was platted in 1808 by Thomas Manwarring.
- The county is 391.05 square miles and has a population of 23, 087 residents.

1. What is the population density of the county?
≥
2. How old is Franklin County?
≤
3. How many people in the county do not live in Brookville?
≥
4. How long ago was it that Brookville platted?
≤

Answers: 1. 59/sq mi 2. 208 Years
3. Around 20,491 People 4. 211 Years

Got Words?

Brookville contains 6 historical landmarks of differing origins, and there are more landmarks throughout the county. Why do you think it is important that cities preserve historical homes, buildings and other sites?

Word Scrambler

Unscramble the words below!

1. OVRLBIKLE
2. LNARDAKM
3. NLRANIFK YNUCOT
4. ITSRHOY
5. IEAMBJNN NANIRKLF

Answers: 1. Brookville 2. Landmark 3. Franklin County
4. History 5. Benjamin Franklin

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USDA Announces Additional Assistance For Distressed Farmers Facing Financial Risk

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced that beginning in April it will provide approximately \$123 million in additional, automatic financial assistance for qualifying farm loan program borrowers who are facing financial risk, as part of the \$3.1 billion to help distressed farm loan borrowers that was provided through Section 22006 of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). The announcement builds on financial assistance offered to borrowers through the same program in October 2022.

The IRA directed USDA to expedite assistance to distressed borrowers of direct or guaranteed loans administered by USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) whose operations face financial risk. For example, in the October payments, farmers that were 60 days delinquent due to challenges like natural disasters, the pandemic or other unexpected situations were brought current and had their next installment paid to give them breathing room.

"In too many cases, the rules surrounding our farm loan programs may actually be detrimental to helping a borrower get back to a financially viable path. As a result, some are pushed out of farming and others stuck under a debt burden that prevents them from growing or reacting to opportunities," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "Loan programs for the newest and more vulnerable producers must be about providing opportunity and tailored to expect and manage stumbles and hurdles along the way. Through this assistance,

USDA is focusing on generating long-term stability and success for distressed borrowers."

In October 2022, USDA provided approximately \$800 million in initial IRA assistance to more than 11,000 delinquent direct and guaranteed borrowers and approximately 2,100 borrowers who had their farms liquidated and still had remaining debt. USDA shared that it would conduct case-by-case reviews of about 1,600 complex cases for potential initial relief payments, including cases of borrowers in foreclosure or bankruptcy. These case-by-case reviews are underway.

At the same time in October 2022, USDA announced that it anticipated payments using separate pandemic relief funding totaling roughly \$66 million on over 7,000 direct loans to borrowers who used the USDA Farm Service Agency's disaster-set-aside option during the COVID-19 pandemic. The majority of these payments have been processed and USDA anticipates it will complete all such payments in April 2023.

New Assistance for Distressed Borrowers FSA intends to provide the new round of relief starting in April to additional distressed borrowers. This will include approximately \$123 million in automatic financial assistance for qualifying Farm Loan Program (FLP) direct loan borrowers who meet certain criteria. Similar to the automatic payments announced in October 2022, qualifying borrowers will receive an individual letter detailing the assistance as payments are made. Distressed

borrowers' eligibility for these new categories of automatic payments will be determined based on their circumstances as of today. More information about the new categories that make up the \$123 million in assistance announced today and the specific amount of assistance a distressed borrower receives can be found described in this fact sheet, IRA Section 22006: Additional Automatic Payments, Improved Procedures, and Policy Recommendations.

To continue to make sure producers are aware of relief potentially available to them, all producers with open FLP loans will receive a letter detailing a new opportunity to receive assistance if they took certain extraordinary measures to avoid delinquency on their FLP loans, such as taking on more debt, selling property or cashing out retirement accounts. The letter will provide details on eligibility, the specific types of actions that may qualify for assistance, and the process for applying for and providing the documentation to seek that assistance.

These steps are part of a process USDA announced along with the October payments that is focused on assisting borrowers unable to make their next scheduled installment. Earlier this year, all borrowers should have received a letter detailing the process for seeking this type of assistance even before they become delinquent. Borrowers who are within two months of their next installment may seek a cashflow analysis from FSA using a recent balance sheet and operating plan to determine their eligibility

Tax Resources USDA will continue to work with the Department of Treasury to help borrowers understand the potential tax implications from the receipt of an IRA payment, including that options may be available to potentially avoid or alleviate any tax burden incurred as a result of receiving this financial assistance.

In early April, USDA will send a specific set of revised tax documents, educational materials and resources to borrowers that received assistance in 2022, including a link to a webinar hosted by a group of farm tax experts to provide education on the options available. USDA cannot provide tax advice and encourages borrowers to consult their own tax professional, but FSA is providing educational materials for borrowers to be aware of the options. USDA has tax-related resources available at farmers.gov/taxes.

Improved Procedures and Policy Recommendations

FSA is finalizing changes to its policy handbooks to remove unnecessary hurdles, improve loan making and loan servicing and provide more flexibility on how loans are structured to maximize the opportunities for borrowers. Additional details on those changes can be found in the linked fact sheet and are the start of a broader set of process enhancements. The fact sheet also provides information on the eight, no-cost legislative proposals included in the Fiscal Year 2024 President's Budget that are designed to improve the borrower experience.

Purdue's College Of Agriculture Rises In National And International Rankings

Purdue University's College of Agriculture has been recognized as the No. 3 college of agriculture in North America and No. 5 in the world in the 2023 QS World University Rankings.

Inaugurated in 2004, QS World Rankings are one of the world's most frequented and respected sources of comparative data about universities. In 2022, Purdue Agriculture was identified as No. 4 in North America, and No. 8 in the world.

The QS 2023 rankings are based on the analysis of over 15,700 individual academic programs at 1,594 universities in 93 countries and territories using five criteria: academic reputation; employer reputation; research citations per academic paper; the H-index, measuring cumulative productivity and impact of authors' scholarly work; and international research network of sustainable partnerships with other higher education institutions.

Karen Plaut, former dean of the College of Agriculture and Purdue's current executive vice president of research, paid tribute to the college's accomplishment.

"The rise in this year's rankings is a reflection of the continued excellence of the College of Agriculture's faculty, students and staff," Plaut said. "Our research community stretches the frontiers of science to address complex challenges in food, life and natural resources, positively impacting our

students, communities and the world."

Purdue Agriculture's recent research success includes bringing in over \$85 million in extramural funding during the last fiscal year. Earlier in 2023, the college received two of seven available USDA Sustainable Agricultural Systems grants, totaling \$20 million, to conduct research in the areas of digital forestry and aquaponics.

"The college continues to set the right example for Purdue as it draws top-flight researchers here from across the globe and works to maximize their scholarly successes," said Patrick Wolfe, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and diversity.

Bernie Engel, senior associate dean of research and graduate education for agriculture, spoke to the direct impact of rankings like QS. "Our reputation is not only a point of pride for stakeholders, it's often critical to their decision to attend our college, hire our graduates, engage with county Extension educators and partner with researchers," he said.

Ken Foster, interim dean and professor of agricultural economics, expressed gratitude for what the achievement represents. "Purdue's College of Agriculture received this recognition because of the hard work and intellectual capabilities of our faculty, staff and students as well as the leadership of our former dean Karen Plaut and her leadership team," he said.



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\$500,000 Grant Targets Lack Of Air-Quality Data In Swine Production

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A Purdue University team led by Jiqin (JQ) Ni has received a \$500,000 grant from the Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research to document air-quality issues surrounding pork production in partnership with the National Pork Board.

Particulate matter (PM) at high concentrations can affect the health of both workers and animals, as well as people living and working in neighboring areas. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency classifies PM measuring less than 2.5 and 10 microns (much smaller than the width of a human hair) as the most hazardous. Although the problem is well known, the exact concentrations of such particulate matter within and outside of the swine barns at different times is poorly understood, said Ni, a professor of Agricultural and Biological Engineering.

"We don't have enough data. One of the issues is the lack of appropriate measurement technology," Ni said.

Collaborating with Ni on the project are Jae

Hong Park, assistant professor in the School of Health Sciences in the College of Health and Human Sciences, and Brian Richert, associate professor of Animal Sciences in the College of Agriculture. Richert specializes in swine nutrition and management and will design the swine barn test environment to operate under a range of controlled conditions and particulate matter concentrations. Park, a certified industrial hygienist, focuses on aerosol science and technology.

"Anything in the air, that's my target," said Park, who develops both sensors and samplers. For this project, Park will develop a sensor station that consists of several air-quality sensors.

In addition to particulate matter, swine barns generate gases such as ammonia that may attach to dust. "A swine farm and its surrounding area is a very complex environment," Park said.

Particulate matter concentrations change greatly with different ventilations and weather conditions. In summer, swine barns increase ventilation rates by operating more fans and opening inlets and curtains. In winter, the barns operate with minimal ventilation to keep pigs warm. These different conditions affect both indoor and outdoor particulate matter concentrations.

These changing con-

centrations should be monitored and mapped, but the technologies that can do the job are expensive, difficult to operate and slow to produce results.

"There are many commercially available technologies for particulate matter measurement. But none of them are designed for agriculture and livestock use," Ni said. In the dynamic world of livestock and poultry production, such as swine farms, active animals stir up particulate matter of different sizes and concentrations in the air. Most of the particulate matter will settle quickly, while some will be blown out of the barns through the fans.

"Our objective is to develop a new technology that is low cost, with a faster response and easy to use," Ni said. After carefully selecting particulate matter sensing units from the commercially available models, his team will develop the needed sensor unit combined with software and a solar power supply.

"In the lab, we can compare these low-cost sensors with the expensive instruments," Park said. The tests involve collecting dust from the swine barn, then blowing it from a cylinder into a test chamber connected to the sensors.

"That will give us confidence that this new technology will generate accurate concentration measurement data," Ni said. "We will develop

a laboratory system to calibrate our technology to make sure it is compatible with high-end technology. We will also validate the technology in field conditions."

The first tests will get underway in the controlled environment swine barn at Purdue's Animal Science Research and Education Center. There, researchers will monitor the concentrations of particulate matter at different locations in rooms that house pigs at all stages of their development, from nursing during lactation to fully grown.

The team also will validate the technology at commercial swine farms in Indiana and Ohio.

"We will have stakeholders closely involved," Ni said. The new technology will be compared against the commercially available instruments in side-by-side tests at different locations.

"We will measure the PM concentration from the air inside the swine barn, near the exhaust fans and several hundred feet away at different distances from the barn," he said.

More modifications and improvements to the system will then follow as needed. Once completed, Park said, the work will have potential applications in barns and housing for not only swine but also poultry and other livestock and for handling powders in the food industry.

Deadline To Apply For Value-Added Producer Grants Program Is May 11

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development has announced the availability of approximately \$31 million in funding for projects as part of the Value-Added Producer Grants (VAPG) program.

Individual farmers and ranchers, as well as agricultural businesses and producer groups, may apply for the grants, which must be used to develop new products or expand existing markets for value-added products. The applicant must produce at least 50% of the raw agricultural product to which value is being added.

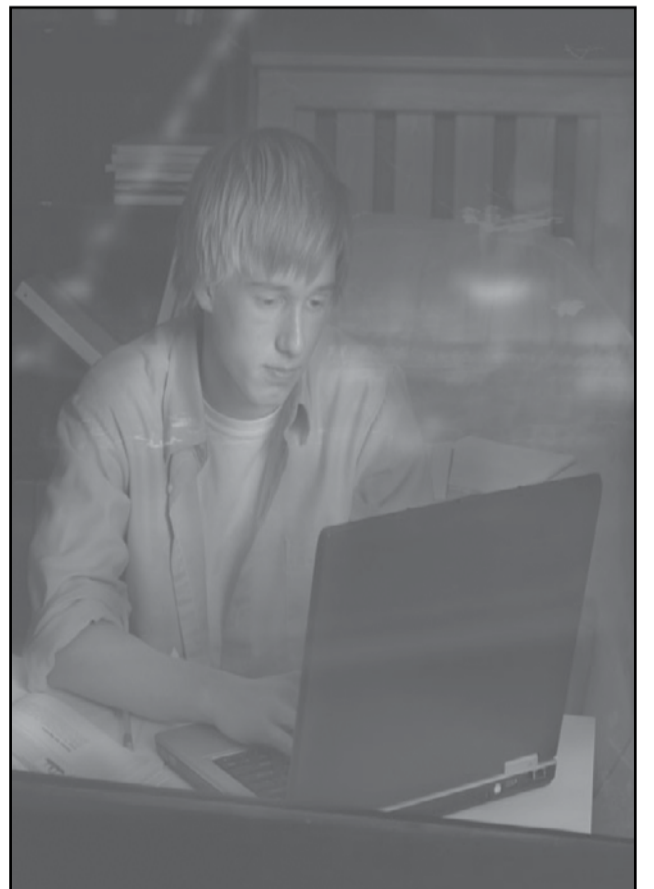
Two separate grants are available. Planning grants of up to \$75,000 help pay for feasibility studies and business planning. Working Capital grants fund up to \$250,000 to cover marketing and product development costs. Projects requesting more than \$50,000 require a previous feasibility study and business plan to verify product viability.

"The VAPG program

provides a unique opportunity for producers on small- and mid-sized operations to invest in entrepreneurial ideas," said Kalee Olson, policy associate for the Center for Rural Affairs. "In addition, it prioritizes projects led by beginning, veteran, and socially-disadvantaged producers."

Applicants are required to register for a government identification number (UEI-Unique Entity Identifier). This can take two to five weeks to activate, so applicants are encouraged to register early.

Interested applicants should contact their state USDA Rural Development office for application materials and assistance. A list of state offices can be found at rd.usda.gov/about-rd/state-offices. Online applications are due May 11 through grants.gov. Completed paper applications must be submitted by close of business on May 16 to the USDA Rural Development state office where the project is located.



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Enjoy Better-for-You Foods Focused on Flavor

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From salads and snacks to breakfast, lunch and dinner, rounding out a full menu of healthy meals shouldn't be a chore. In fact, you can still enjoy your favorite flavors and tickle your taste buds with nutritious recipes that capitalize on powerful ingredients you actually want to eat.

A fruit-forward breakfast is a nutritious way to start your morning, and a fresh twist on pasta salad can make lunches or your evening side an enjoyable way to stay on track. Bowls filled with grains, veggies and a favorite protein are all the rage, and this seafood-fueled version is no exception when you're craving a combination of your personal favorites.

Take your better-for-you eating plan from bland and boring to delightfully delicious by visiting Culinary.net for more recipe inspiration.

Eat Smart with Seafood

No matter if you're searching for a healthy family dinner, a quick lunch at home or an easy idea to meal prep for the week ahead, these Orange Shrimp Quinoa Bowls are perfect for seafood lovers who also enjoy a hint of spice. Fresh, healthy and full of deliciously prepared shrimp, these bowls are also loaded with mushrooms, peppers and cucumbers.

The homemade sauce is light with a sweet yet spicy vibe. Resting over a cup of steamy quinoa for a filling base of healthy grains, it's a quick and easy recipe you can customize with favorite toppings like sesame seeds and cilantro.

Find more wholesome, health-forward recipes at Culinary.net.

Orange Shrimp Quinoa Bowls

Servings: 2

- 1 cup quinoa
- 1 cup orange juice
- 1 tablespoon hot sauce
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 4 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 tablespoon lime juice
- 1 tablespoon white miso
- 1 1/2 pounds shrimp, peeled, deveined and tails removed
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 1 red bell pepper, diced
- 1 cucumber, sliced into half moons
- 5 green onions, sliced
- 1 avocado, sliced
- 1 teaspoon sesame seeds
- 2 tablespoons cilantro, chopped

Cook quinoa according to package instructions. Set aside.

In medium bowl, whisk orange juice, hot sauce, honey, soy sauce, vegetable oil, lime juice and miso until combined. Pour 1/4 of liquid into separate bowl. Set aside.

Add shrimp to remaining mixture and marinate 15 minutes.

Heat large skillet over medium heat with butter. Add shrimp, salt and pepper. Cook 2 minutes on each side until pink. Add mushrooms and cook until tender.

In two serving bowls, divide quinoa, bell pepper, cucumber, onions, avocado and shrimp. Sprinkle sesame seeds and cilantro over both bowls.

Drizzle with reserved dressing.



Orange Shrimp Quinoa Bowls

Start the New Year with a Savory Salad

Starting the new year with fresh intentions, whether you're trying to reset for 2023 or simply add more greens to your meals, begins with delicious, nutritious and easy recipes.

With more than 100 varieties of fresh, healthy and convenient ready-to-eat salads, Fresh Express provides plenty of inspiration, information and incentives to help you achieve your goals. For example, this Pesto Pasta Salad features red lentil rotini and Twisted Pesto Caesar Chopped Salad Kits loaded with a fresh blend of crisp iceberg and green leaf lettuces, crunchy garlic bricchoe croutons, Parmesan cheese and creamy pesto dressing. Add fresh grape tomatoes and toasted walnuts for a simple side or easy lunch that can be made ahead of time.

Discover more fresh recipe ideas at FreshExpress.com.

Pesto Pasta Salad

Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes
Servings: 6

- 1 quart cooked red lentil rotini
- 2 packages (9 1/2 ounces each) Fresh Express Twisted Pesto Caesar Chopped Salad Kits
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 cup grape tomatoes, halved
- 1/2 cup walnuts, toasted

Prepare red lentil rotini according to package directions; cool 15 minutes.

In bowl, mix rotini and one dressing packet from salad kits. Sprinkle with salt and pepper; mix well. Refrigerate, covered, 30 minutes, or until rotini is cold.

In large bowl, mix lettuce from both salad kits with remaining salad dressing package. Add rotini and tomatoes; toss to combine. Sprinkle with garlic bricchoe croutons and shredded Parmesan cheese from salad kits and walnuts.

Substitution: Traditional rotini can be used for red lentil rotini.



Pesto Pasta Salad



Brunch Fruit Tart

A Fruity Twist on Breakfast

Whether it's a weekend celebration or a simple morning bite on the go, it's often said breakfast is the most important meal. Starting off your day with some fruity nutrition is a sweet way to add vitamin C to your diet without skipping on flavor.

With a tasty granola crust and yogurt filling, this Brunch Fruit Tart is an easy way to impress guests or fuel your morning at the office. Balanced and easy to make, the crunchy crust and smooth center make it an enjoyable addition to at-home menus. This version calls for strawberries, blueberries and kiwi, but you can get creative with your own favorite fruits for a different flavor each time you make it.

Visit Culinary.net to find more nutritious breakfast ideas.

Brunch Fruit Tart

Recipe adapted from homemadeinterest.com

- Crust:**
- 4 cups granola mixture
 - 1/2 cup butter, softened
 - 4 1/2 tablespoons honey
 - nonstick cooking spray

- Filling:**
- 2 1/4 cups vanilla Greek yogurt
 - 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
 - 1/2 cup granulated sugar
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - 1 package gelatin

- Toppings:**
- strawberries, sliced
 - blueberries
 - kiwis, sliced

To make crust: Preheat oven to 350 F.

In large bowl, combine granola, butter and honey. Grease 11-inch tart pan with nonstick cooking spray. Line bottom of tart pan with parchment paper. Press granola mixture into tart pan. Place tart pan on baking sheet and bake 10 minutes. Cool completely.

To make filling: Using mixer, combine yogurt, cream cheese, sugar, vanilla extract and gelatin until whipped completely.

Pour yogurt mixture into tart crust. Refrigerate at least 1 hour. Top with strawberries, blueberries and kiwis.

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Restaurant Evolution

How restaurants evolve to meet changing customer needs

FAMILY FEATURES

In the highly competitive restaurant industry, it's crucial to continually evolve and transform in order to stay relevant and attract customers. Restaurant transformation involves re-evaluating the image, menu, ambiance and overall experience. It's a process that can be challenging, but when done successfully, it can lead to increased customer loyalty, improved sales and long-term growth.

Take for example Fogo de Chão, which has practiced the authentic, centuries-old Brazilian grilling practice of churrasco, or cooking over an open flame, since 1979 at more than 70 locations around the world. Each meal is about discovery with a menu that's fresh, unique, innovative and centered around premium cuts of grilled proteins, expertly butchered and simply seasoned using the culinary art of churrasco.

The full churrasco experience includes continual service of fire-roasted meats carved tableside, including house specialties like picanha (signature sirloin), filet mignon, ribeye, fraldinha (bottom sirloin), cordeiro (lamb) and more.

Consumers are always looking for new and exciting dining experiences, and a menu refresh can provide it. This can involve adding new dishes, changing the way existing dishes are prepared or presented and incorporating current food trends. For example, many restaurants are offering more vegetarian and vegan options to cater to the growing number of consumers adopting plant-based diets.

Leaning into this trend, Fogo de Chão is expanding its menu and Market Table offerings with new plant-based and nutrient-dense dishes, alongside an expanded Bar Fogo beverage program complete with traditional and clean, zero-proof cocktails. The plant-based offerings include menu innovations like Seared Tofu with Miso Black Bean Pasta and a hearty



Roasted Power Vegetable Bowl that complements a myriad of dietary lifestyles. Taking it a step further, guests can enjoy indulgent, premium cuts within the churrasco experience at no additional cost. This added value introduces guests to new flavors in a low-risk setting by including a variety of options like bone-in ribeye, double-cut pork chop and lamb picanha.

Another important aspect of transformation is redesigning the restaurant's physical space. A restaurant's ambiance can greatly impact customers' dining experiences, and a refreshed decor can help to create a more modern, welcoming and comfortable environment. With new locations opening in markets coast-to-coast, the experiential dining experts are revamping interiors to create unique and architecturally led dining spaces that create a memorable hospitality experience. The additions of lounge and conversational seating for more comfortable dining, large patio spaces for al fresco dining and open kitchens help immerse guests in the experience, which appeals to the modern diner.

In addition to these changes, restaurants may also need to re-evaluate and adjust marketing strategies as their customer bases change. This may involve shifting branding to appeal to a younger demographic, for example, or focusing on a specific type of cuisine or dining experience. Designed to enhance the guest experience and move beyond

just a sit-down dinner, the churrasco experience at Fogo de Chão appeals to a younger, highly diverse audience with 87% of guests being Millennial, Gen X and Gen Z customers, 41% of whom are female.

Options like Bar Fogo, which features All-Day Happy Hour, shareable Brazilian-inspired bar bites such as Lobster and Shrimp Tacos and Queijo Assado, a grilled Brazilian cheese served with malagueta honey; South American-inspired cocktails, beers and wine; or The Butchery, where premium cuts of meats, carved in the traditional Brazilian style, can be taken to go for cooking at home, allow for new ways to experience the traditional cuisine.

"Nearly 45 years ago, Fogo was created on the strong foundation of authentic Brazilian hospitality and delivering unique experiences to our guests," said Barry McGowan, CEO of Fogo de Chão. "Today, we've evolved from a small restaurant in the countryside of southern Brazil to a global category leader celebrating the culinary art of churrasco. Restaurant transformation is necessary to stay competitive in today's fast-paced and evolving industry. All of our transformation efforts continue to be rooted in innovation to enhance the guest experience while remaining true to our Brazilian heritage."

Learn more and find a local restaurant near you at fogo.com.

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BRING ON DESSERT WITH BETTER-FOR-YOU SWEETS

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If healthier eating holds a prominent spot on your list of goals, you may feel it's necessary to eliminate some of your sweetest favorites. However, committing to a nutritionally friendly way of life doesn't have to leave desserts by the wayside.

Instead, rethinking nighttime treats with better-for-you ingredients like California Prunes as a quick substitution can make healthier eating easy. As a versatile ingredient that can replace added sugar, fats and eggs in all kinds of recipes, prunes can also add nutrients important for bone and gut health.

Plus, the copper in prunes inhibits bone breakdown, while boron plays a role in calcium metabolism and polyphenols can help decrease bone breakdown through their antioxidant power. As a fruit that's high in vitamin K, which helps improve calcium balance and promotes bone mineralization, prunes are also a "good gut food," meaning a single serving (roughly 4-6 prunes) can help support a healthy microbiome.

They're easy to use in recipes that can become favorites in your household such as these Chocolate Energy Balls. Enjoyed as an easy, on-the-go snack, they're a perfect way to refuel for an adventure, recharge after a workout or to simply savor as a healthy snack.

Chocolate lovers rejoice: This rich, delicious, gluten-free, grain-free Chocolate Covered Prune Fudge Cake is naturally sweetened using prunes instead of added sugar. If brownies are more your style, prunes can also take the place of eggs in these Vegan Brownies for a family-friendly treat that won't wreck your eating plan.

To find more better-for-you desserts, visit californiaprunes.org.

Vegan Brownies

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 25 minutes

Servings: 9

Prune Puree:

16 ounces pitted California prunes

1/2 cup hot water

Brownies:

nonstick cooking spray

6 ounces unsweetened chocolate

1/2 cup California extra-virgin olive oil

2 cups light brown sugar

10 ounces California prune puree

1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 tablespoon baking powder

1/4 cup cocoa powder

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

flaky sea salt, for garnish

To make prune puree: In blender, combine prunes and water. Pulse to combine then blend until smooth, pourable consistency forms, scraping sides, if necessary.

Store puree in airtight container in fridge up to 4 weeks.

To make brownies: Preheat oven to 350 F. Line 9-by-9-inch baking pan with parchment paper then lightly grease with nonstick cooking spray.

Using double boiler, melt chocolate and olive oil. Whisk in sugar and prune puree; mix until dissolved.

Into large bowl, sift flour, baking powder and cocoa powder. Gently fold in chocolate and prune mixture then add vanilla.

Spread batter in prepared pan, sprinkle with flaky sea salt and bake 20-25 minutes, or until top starts to look dry and brownies are just beginning to pull away from sides of pan.

Cool in pan. Remove then cut brownies into 3-inch squares.



Vegan Brownies



Chocolate Covered Prune Fudge Cake

Chocolate Covered Prune Fudge Cake

Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 55 minutes

Yield: 1 cake (8 inches)

Cake:

Coconut oil spray

14 tablespoons butter, chopped

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

3/4 cup cocoa powder

10 soft, pitted prunes, chopped small

1/3 cup maple syrup

6 eggs

1/2 cup coconut sugar

1 cup almond meal

Ganache:

1 cup full-fat coconut milk

1 1/3 cups dark chocolate morsels

To make cake: Preheat oven to 300 F.

Lightly spray bottom and sides of 8-inch springform pan with coconut oil spray.

Place round piece of parchment paper in bottom of pan and lightly spray with coconut oil spray.

In small saucepan over low heat, place butter and vanilla. Use sieve to sift cocoa

into saucepan. Stir with spatula until completely smooth. Remove from heat and set aside.

In bowl of food processor fitted with "S" blade, place prunes and syrup. Top with cooled butter mixture then process until smooth. Transfer to large mixing bowl, scraping all chocolate mixture from food processor with spatula.

In bowl of stand mixer fitted with whisk attachment, whip eggs and coconut sugar on high speed 7 minutes, or until tripled in volume.

Add one-third of egg mixture to bowl with chocolate mixture. Using spatula, gently fold together until completely combined. Add almond meal and remaining egg mixture to bowl and gently fold to combine.

Pour batter into prepared pan and bake 55 minutes, or until set. Once cooked through, transfer cake to cooling rack and cool completely in pan.

To make ganache: In top of double boiler, melt coconut milk and dark chocolate until completely smooth. Pour prepared ganache over cake. Serve immediately for molten fudge effect or allow to completely set.

Chocolate Energy Balls

Recipe courtesy of Meg van der Kruik on behalf of California Prunes

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 30 minutes

Yield: 24 pieces

Prune Puree:

16 ounces pitted California prunes

1/2 cup hot water

Energy Balls:

1 cup old-fashioned or gluten-free oats

2/3 cup toasted, unsweetened shredded coconut

1/2 cup creamy natural nut butter (peanut or almond)

1/2 cup pecan meal

1/2 cup prune puree

1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

To make prune puree: In blender, combine prunes and water. Pulse to combine then blend until smooth, pourable consistency forms, scraping sides, if necessary.

Store puree in airtight container in fridge up to 4 weeks.

To make energy balls: In mixing bowl, stir oats, coconut, nut butter, pecan meal, prune puree, cocoa powder and vanilla until completely combined.

Cover and chill in refrigerator 30 minutes. Once chilled, use small cookie scoop or measuring spoon to measure equal-sized amounts of mixture then form into balls by applying gentle pressure to dough using palms. Do not roll as balls will break apart.

Store covered in airtight container in refrigerator up to 1 week.



Chocolate Energy Balls

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Break Out Brunch Favorites for Spring Celebrations

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Deck your kitchen, dining room or patio with bright decor and fun, festive springtime frills – brunch season is here. Whether your weekend morning meal is shared with that special someone or friends, family and neighbors, warm, sunny days can bring out the best of brunch.

Impress your loved one with these Mini Banana Rice Pancakes for two, a healthy and satisfying meal made with Minute Brown Rice & Quinoa Cups. This recipe allows for more moments together at the table because the whole-grain combination is ready in just 1 minute and prep time is minimal.

Pairing the crunchiness of red quinoa with the chewy texture of brown rice, these cups earned a spot on the “Men’s Health” Best Foods for Men Awards in 2022. Plus, packed in single-serve portions, you can eat the grains right out of the BPA-free cup for a simple lunch or snack that provides a good source of fiber with 55 grams of whole grains in each serving.

If you need a dish that feeds a crowd, put this Hearty Bacon and Egg Breakfast on the menu. Ready in 35 minutes, it can satisfy brunch cravings for a group of up to 12 as a main course that easily pairs with other morning favorites.

As an ideal complement to the eggs, bacon and cheese, Minute Rice & Quinoa can make this family-style recipe a breeze. In just 10 minutes, the tasty blend of brown rice, red rice, wild rice and quinoa cooks up light and fluffy for a slightly chewy, nutty flavor. It’s also a dependable replacement for oatmeal in other breakfast dishes so you can complete your mission to make meals quick and enjoyable. Not to mention, the bag is BPA-free and recyclable via store drop-off in most communities, while the carton is recyclable curbside.

Find more brunch inspiration for spring celebrations at MinuteRice.com.



Mini Banana Rice Pancakes

Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes
Servings: 2

- 1 cup Minute Brown Rice & Quinoa
- 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- 2 teaspoons freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 2 bananas, divided
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1/4 cup pure maple syrup, divided
- 4 teaspoons butter, melted
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Heat rice and quinoa according to package directions.

In large bowl, whisk flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. In medium bowl, whisk milk and lemon juice. Let stand 5 minutes. Mash 1/2 banana. Transfer to milk mixture. Add egg and 1 teaspoon maple syrup; stir to combine. Stir in melted butter. Pour milk mixture over flour mixture. Whisk just until combined; do not overmix. Fold in rice and quinoa. Let batter rest 10-15 minutes. Preheat large nonstick skillet over medium heat; brush with 1 teaspoon oil. Once skillet is hot, reduce heat to medium-low. In batches, adding oil as necessary, scoop 1 tablespoon batter per pancake into skillet and cook 3-4 minutes, or until bubbles start to form. Flip and cook 1-2 minutes until golden on bottom. Slice remaining half and full bananas. Serve pancakes with remaining maple syrup, banana slices and cinnamon.



Hearty Bacon and Egg Breakfast

Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 30 minutes
Servings: 12

- Nonstick cooking spray
- 1 1/2 bags Minute Rice & Quinoa
- 9 eggs, lightly beaten
- 5 bacon slices, cooked and crumbled
- 3/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- black pepper, to taste

Preheat oven to 325 F. Coat 12-cup muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray.

Prepare rice and quinoa according to package directions.

In medium bowl, combine rice and quinoa, eggs, bacon, cheese, salt and pepper, to taste.

Divide batter between prepared cups and bake 18-20 minutes, or until eggs are just set.

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Growing Herbs In Containers



MELINDA MYERS
Columnist

Keep your favorite herbs within easy reach for cooking and seasoning by growing them in containers. A few pots set by your door and grill or on the patio, deck, or balcony make it easy to include some homegrown flavor.

Start by growing those herbs you like to use for seasoning food and beverages, making pesto, or preserving. Include some with fragrance for a bit of aromatherapy or for your craft projects.

Make sure the plants you select will thrive in the amount of sunlight in the growing space. Most herbs prefer full sun but some like mint, thyme, chives, parsley, and lemon balm will tolerate some shade. A bit of afternoon shade is welcome to many sun-loving plants growing in hotter regions. Check the plant tag or seed packet for detailed planting information.

You can grow individual plants in their own container. Place these among other pots to create an attractive display. Or mix several different herbs in one



Photo courtesy of All-America Selections
'Dolce Fresca' basil growing and thriving in a container in full sun.

larger container to create a herb garden in a single pot. Make sure all the herbs will thrive in the same soil moisture and sunlight.

In general, place three or four plants in a 10-12" pot, four to six in a 14-16" container, and six to eight in a 16 to 20" planter. Adjust this number based on the size of the transplants purchased and the mature size and growth habit of the herb selected.

Use a container with drainage holes to provide proper drainage and reduce the risk of root rot. Terra cotta pots dry quickly and are a good choice for those gardening in wetter regions or who tend to overwater. Plastic, fiberglass, and glazed pots don't dry out as quickly. Self-watering pots have water reservoirs to extend the time between watering.

Use a quality potting mix that provides adequate drainage, as most herbs require well-drained soil. Whether planting seeds or plants, you will want to leave space between the top of the potting mix and the container. This allows you to water thoroughly without washing the soil out of the pot. Leave a space about half an inch in small planters and an inch or more between the top of the pot and potting mix in larger containers.

Water new plantings and seedlings often enough to keep the soil slightly moist. Gradually reduce frequency and water thoroughly when the top inch of soil is crumbly and dry. Check containers once a day and more often in extremely hot weather. Water thoroughly as needed.

Reduce watering and increase success by in-

corporating Wild Valley Farms' wool pellets (wildvalleyfarms.com) into the planting mix. This sustainable soil amendment reduces watering by up to 25% and adds air space for better plant growth.

Harvest a few leaves and stems as needed throughout the growing season. Regular harvesting encourages more growth for future harvests. Herbs have the most intense flavor when harvested just before flowering. You can remove even more when large amounts of herbs are needed for preserving and craft projects. Cut annual herbs back by 50 to 75% and perennial herbs by one-third at one time. The plants will recover for future harvests.

Make room for some herb-filled containers to enjoy this summer. They make great additions to outdoor gatherings for you and your guests to enjoy their beauty, fragrance, and flavor.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Wild Valley Farms for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Get Ready For Spring & Summer "Backyarding:" Keep Safety In Mind

"Backyarding"—the art of taking indoor activities to the outdoors—is a trend that has caught on. As winter begins to wind down, thoughts of playing in and working in our yards often kick into high gear.

Perhaps you are already dreaming of family gatherings, grilling and eating in your backyard. Or maybe you wish to add a yoga zone, design an outdoor movie theater, or build an agility course for your pet this year. Or perhaps this is the year you wish to add a pollinator garden or plant a vegetable or flower garden. Or are you hoping to get that outdoor office setup with extended WiFi?

Knowing the purpose of your yard and how it will meet the needs of your family and pets is a great start to getting "backyard ready" for these warmer weather activities. Also, knowing your climate zone and the mix of trees, shrubs, grass and flowering plants that will grow sustainably is key to designing a dream yard. After all, our yards are not only an oasis for family but also for wildlife and important pollinators such as birds, bees and butterflies.

Now is the time to start planning. Visit your nursery, plant centers, outdoor power equipment service dealers, and/or contact a landscaper, according to the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI).

"Think about how your yard can work best for you, your family, pets and community, but do it now," says Kris Kiser, CEO and President of OPEI. "And while you're getting it in top shape for warm weather, remember to keep safety top of mind especially with your equipment and tools."

Here are some tips from OPEI to get your backyard ready, safely and efficiently:

- Take stock of your

outdoor power equipment to help you maintain your yard and make big jobs easier. A lawn mower will trim the grass, but perhaps you might need a cultivator for a garden, a chain saw to take down dead tree limbs, or a leaf blower to clear debris. Having the right equipment on hand can help you save time and effort if you don't want to hire a professional.

- Follow equipment manufacturer's guidance for safety and usage of all outdoor power equipment. Look over the manual for your equipment for a refresher on how to safely use it, and read the safety information on equipment manufacturer's web sites. Review how to shut on and off equipment and make sure safety features are working and have not been disabled. Never disengage or disable manufacturer-installed safety equipment.

- Remember to keep children and pets away from outdoor power equipment. No children on mowers.

- Do not mow in reverse, and avoid starting, stopping or turning a mower on a slope. Follow manufacturer guidance to the letter on mowing on slopes.

- Service equipment as needed and according to manufacturer's directions. Well-maintained equipment will last longer and run more efficiently.

- Buy fresh fuel for gasoline-powered equipment and be sure you have matched the correct battery with the right charger. Only use batteries that are authorized for your equipment and do not use counterfeits.

- Before working in the yard, clear the area of dead limbs, sticks and debris. Inspect trees for damage and clear the work area.

By keeping this information in mind, you can get your yard in its best shape safely.

Dahlia: Queen Of The Picking Garden!

The colorful dahlia is a must-have in your picking garden. With their different shapes, colors, and flowering heights, dahlias generate a real color explosion. The best-known variety is perhaps the pale pink 'Café au Lait' dahlia. But if you really want to make colors pop, there are plenty of special dahlias to be found, from bright yellow to deep dark purple. Dahlia, the lively queen of the picking garden!

Dahlias in your picking garden

Plant your dahlia bulbs in spring, once the risk of frost has passed. The earlier you plant dahlias, the earlier you will be able to pick them. Plant dahlias at around 1.5 ft planting distance in your garden. In summer, your patience will be richly rewarded with radiant dahlias in your own picking garden!

They are also suitable for planting in pots. Grow them indoors if

you want to have flowers even earlier in the season. This is called forcing bulbs. Plant the dahlias in a pot in February or March and give them a light spot in a greenhouse. Once the risk of frost has passed, you can move the potted dahlias outside or plant them in the picking garden. The appearance of the first flower buds marks the start of the fun part: picking the dahlias! Combine your dahlias with other flowers or foliage from your garden for a color explosion in your picking bouquet.

Creating a picking garden

Why not create a picking garden of your own? We all want a colorful blanket of flowers in our own garden! Too good to be true? Not really. You only need a small plot in the garden or in an existing border to plant, care for and ultimately pick the most beautiful

flowers! If you don't have a garden, you can still do much more than you think with pots and containers.

Once you have chosen a sheltered and sunny spot for your picking flowers, it is time to choose your flower varieties. Of course, Dahlias are indispensable in your picking garden. Combine them with other picking flowers like peonies, Verbena and gypsophilia.

Tips and tricks for your picking garden:

Pick flowers early in the day: harvesting picking flowers is best done in the morning. Make sure your knife is clean. Leave your flowers to rest in a bucket filled with water for a few hours before putting your bouquet together.

Don't pick too many flowers at the same time: decide in advance how much you need and cut only those flowers. After all, you don't want to

waste your beautiful blooms!

To supplement your picking flowers: for additional greenery, take a look around the garden. You may have beautiful shrubs or ornamental grasses in the garden from which you can pick some additional foliage to combine in the picking bouquet.

In the vase: if you want to create a spectacular result, choose a vase in a color that combines nicely with your picking flowers.

Flowers will last longer in a clean vase. Cleaning your vase with a little natural vinegar helps remove any lingering bacteria in the vase.

Picking stimulates the production of new dahlia blooms. In this way, you can continue to pick flowers for longer!

Do you want to find out more about summer bulbs? Then visit www.flowerbulbs.com.



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Purdue Launches oneAPI Center Of Excellence To Advance AI And HPC Teaching In The US

Purdue University will establish a oneAPI Center of Excellence on its West Lafayette campus. Facilitated through Purdue University's Elmore Family School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, the center will take students' original artificial intelligence and high-performance computing research projects to the next level through teaching oneAPI in the classroom.

oneAPI is an open, multi-architecture, multivendor programming model for CPUs and accelerator architectures, such as graphics processing units and field programmable gate arrays. Based on standards, oneAPI simplifies software development and delivers uncompromised performance for accelerated computing without proprietary lock-in. This is accomplished while enabling the integration of existing code. oneAPI allows developers to choose the best accelerator architecture for the specific problem they are trying to solve without needing to rewrite software for the next architecture and platform.

The oneAPI Center of Excellence is building oneAPI multiarchitecture programming concepts into the ECE curriculum; Purdue faculty will use curated content from

Intel, including teaching kits and certified instructor courses. Faculty and students will be provided access to the latest Intel hardware and oneAPI software tools via Intel's Developer Cloud

"We are very excited to collaborate with Intel on a oneAPI Center of Excellence," said Milind Kulkarni, associate head of teaching and learning and a professor in electrical and computer engineering. "The Elmore Family School of Electrical and Computer Engineering offers a wide variety of classes in data science, machine learning and artificial intelligence to students across the College of Engineering and at Purdue. We look forward to offering our students access to top-of-the-line hardware and cutting-edge software and libraries. These resources will give our students the ability to explore the frontiers of what is possible in emerging AI and HPC areas and equip them to become the next generation of leaders across engineering."

David Inouye, Purdue assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering, will teach the pilot course, scheduled to be offered in fall 2023, in which oneAPI curriculum will be incorporated.

"Intel's Developer Cloud

with GPUs can enable students to tackle more realistic and full-scale AI class projects that were previously infeasible," Inouye said.

"Purdue's track record as one of the most innovative universities in America with its world-changing research, programs and culture of inclusion is a perfect fit for the oneAPI Center of Excellence," said Scott Apeiland, senior director of Intel Developer Relations. "By giving Purdue students access to the latest AI software and hardware, we'll see the next generation of developers, scientists and engineers delivering innovations that will change the world. We're excited to assist Purdue in embracing the next giant leap in accelerated computing."

The collaboration also will connect Purdue students and researchers with Intel engineers, providing opportunities to discuss new innovations and developments in accelerator research, said Timothy Rogers, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering and the Purdue-Intel liaison.

"We are excited about the opportunities this collaboration opens up as both parties explore how to program and design the accelerators of tomorrow," Rogers said.

Indiana American Water Acquires Claypool Water System In Northern Indiana

Indiana American Water President Matt Prine today announced the company's acquisition of the Claypool water system in northern Indiana. The purchase of the system adds approximately 150 water customers to the company's customer base, which represents a population of more than 400 residents.

"The acquisition of this system will help hold future rates down for Claypool customers as needed investments are made and also provides access to operations and capital management water professionals and a number of customer service options and payment methods," said Prine. "Indiana American Water already provides water service to several nearby communities, so this is a good fit for us and a continuation of our efforts to expand our presence across Indiana."

The acquisition of the Claypool water system for \$700,000 was approved by the Indiana

Utility Regulatory Commission on February 22, 2023 and closed by Indiana American Water and the Town of Claypool on March 28, 2023.

According to Claypool Town Council President Benny Stage, "Claypool customers will benefit from Indiana American Water's experience and expertise and the company's large customer base across the state will provide much greater economies of scale and future rate stability by keeping water rates lower than they would have been as a small, stand-alone system."

"The business of providing water is getting more complicated every day, especially for smaller systems like ours that struggle with evolving regulatory issues and not having the scale to gain efficiencies in our operations," said Stage. "The sale will also facilitate much needed improvements to the system and allow us to focus on other community needs."

Rokita Surveys Hoosier Businesses And Public Institutions In Bid To Strengthen Cybersecurity

Attorney General Todd Rokita is advising Indiana businesses and governmental organizations to take precautions to guard against cyber threats such as phishing attempts, malware attacks, and ransomware demands.

To gather information about the extent to which institutions are taking protective measures, Rokita is sending out letters to hundreds of organizations asking them to go online to answer survey questions.

"Cyberattackers are relentless in their determination to steal data and generally cause mayhem," Rokita said. "We need to be even more steadfast in our commitment to beat them at their game and keep our systems safe."

Rokita chairs the Legal and Insurance Working Group of the Indiana Executive Cybersecurity Council (IECC). In 2020,

the IECC's Legal and Insurance Working Group collaborated with Indiana University and University of Arizona to circulate a cyber survey to Indiana local governments, schools and businesses. The result of that survey was the 2020 State of Hoosier Cybersecurity Report.

The same entities are partnering once again to do a follow-up survey.

"Among other things," Rokita said, "we want to learn whether Hoosier organizations are giving more attention to safeguards in a post-Covid environment in which work-from-home has become a standard operating procedure. We aim to continue identifying barriers that prevent effective cyber risk planning, and we want to do everything we can do in our own capacities to enable and encourage organizations to implement effective cyber risk planning."

Community Development Block Grants Now Open For Applications

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs announced the first round of 2023 Community Development Block Grants is now open for applications

The following programs are currently accepting applications:

- Public Facilities Program
- Blight Clearance Program
- Stormwater Improvements;
- Wastewater/Drinking Water.

Proposal submissions will be collected via the Electronic Grants Management System, or eGMS. Instructions can be found at in.gov/ocra/cdbg.

2023 Round 1 proposals

must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. ET on Friday, April 28, 2023, via the Indiana Electronic Grants Management System, found here.

Communities are encouraged to submit their applications prior to 4 p.m. on April 28, 2023, as technical assistance will not be available after that time.

2023 Round 1 applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. ET on June 30, 2023, also via the Indiana Electronic Grants Management System. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications prior to 4 p.m. on June 30, 2023, as technical assistance will not be available after that time.

Note: Changes proposed in the 2023 Action Plan will not go into effect until CDBG 2023 Round 2.

Funding for all CDBG programs comes from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and is administered by OCRA. The state of Indiana distributes CDBG funds to rural communities to assist units of local government with various community projects like improving infrastructure, downtown revitalization, public facilities improvements and economic development.

For further information on these programs, contact the assigned OCRA regional community liaison.



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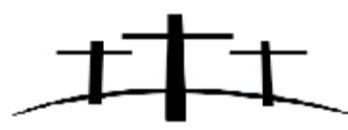
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2208 Traction Rd
364-0574 or 362-1586
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
- Moriah Apostolic Church*
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376-0906
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Pastor Clarence Lee
- New Life Apostolic Tabernacle*
1434 Darlington Avenue
364-1628
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Sunday: The Voice of Healing & Restoration on 103.9 at 9 a.m.
Tuesday prayer: 7 p.m.
Thursday Mid-week: 7 p.m.
Pastor Terry P. Gobin
- One Way Pentecostal Apostolic Church*
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Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 11 a.m.
- Apostolic Pentecostal:**
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361-5932
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Bible Study: Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
- Grace and Mercy Ministries*
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Worship: 10 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.
Sunday School: 11 a.m.
Co-Pastors Nathan and Peg Miller
- Assembly of God:**
Crosspoint Fellowship
1350 Ladoga Road
362-0602
Sunday Services: 10 a.m.
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m.
- First Assembly of God Church*
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362-8147 or 362-0051
Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.
- Baptist:**
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P.O. Box 507, Crawfordsville
435-3030
Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
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128 E. CR 400 S
364-9428
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
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Pastor Randal Glenn
- East Side Baptist Church*
2000 Traction Rd.
362-1785
Bible Study: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Prime Time
Teens, Pioneer Clubs; 6:45 p.m. :Adult Bible Study
Rev. Steve Whicker
- Faith Baptist Church*
5113 S. CR 200 W
866-1273
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.
Pastor Tony Roe
- First Baptist Church*
1905 Lebanon Rd.
362-6504
Worship: 8:15 a.m.; 10:25 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
High School Youth Sunday: 5 p.m.
- Freedom Baptist Church*
6223 W. SR 234
(765) 435-2177
- Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School is 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
Pastor Tim Gillespie
- Fremont St. Baptist Church*
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Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Pastor Dan Aldrich
- Friendship Baptist Church*
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Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
Friendship Kids for Christ: 6 p.m.
Pastor Chris Hortin
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751 Cherry St., Ladoga
942-2460
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Wednesday Evening: 7 p.m.
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Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.
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Worship: 11 a.m.
- StoneWater Church*
120 Plum St., Linden
339-7300
Sunday Service: 10 a.m.
Pastors: Mike Seaman and Steve Covington
- Waynetown Baptist Church*
Corner of Plum and Walnut Streets
234-2398
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Children’s Church: 11:10 a.m.
Pastor Ron Raffignone
- Christian:**
Alamo Christian Church
866-7021
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
- Browns Valley Christian Church*
9011 State Road 47 South
435-2590
Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.
- Byron Christian Church*
7512 East 950 North, Waveland
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship Service 10 a.m.
- Waynetown Christian Union Church*
SR 136, then south on CR 650.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer: 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m., Wed Bible Study 7 p.m.
Kingdom Seekers Youth Group (alternate Sundays)
Pastor Seth Stultz
- Darlington Christian Church*
Main and Washington streets
794-4558
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m.
- First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)*
- 211 S. Walnut St.
362-4812
SUNDAY: 9:22 a.m. Contemporary
Café worship
9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School
10:40 a.m. Traditional Worship
WEDNESDAY: 5-7 a.m. Logos Youth
Dinner & Program
Pastor: Rev. Daria Goodrich
- Ladoga Christian Church*
124 W. Elm St.
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Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.; 6 p.m.
- Love Outreach Christian Church*
611 Garden St.
362-6240
Worship: 10 a.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.
Pastors Rob and Donna Joy Hughes
- New Hope Chapel of Wingate*
275-2304
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Bible Study: 6:30 p.m., Wed.
Youth Group: 5:30 p.m., Wed.
Homework Class: 4:30 p.m. Wed & Thurs.
Champs Youth Program: 5:30 p.m. Wed.
Adult Bible Class: 6:30 p.m. Wed.
Pastor Duane Mycroft
- New Hope Christian Church*
2746 US 231 South
362-0098
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Worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- New Market Christian Church*
300 S. Third St.
866-0421
Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.
Wednesday evening: Bible Study 6:15, Youth 6:15, Choir 7:15
Pastor Gary Snowden
- New Richmond Christian Church*
339-4234
202 E. Washington St.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor John Kenneson
- New Ross Christian Church*
212 N. Main St.
723-1747
Worship: 10 a.m.
Youth Group: 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday
Minister Ivan Brown
- Parkersburg Christian Church*
86 E. 1150 S., Ladoga
866-1747
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Rich Fuller
- Providence Christian Church*
10735 E 200 S
723-1215
Worship: 10 a.m.
- Waveland Christian Church*
212 W. Main St.
435-2300
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
- Waynetown Christian Church*
103 W. Walnut St.
234-2554
Worship: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 9 a.m.
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Crawfordsville, IN 47933
(765) 362-3896
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10:30am 2nd Service
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- Woodland Heights Christian Church*
468 N. Woodland Heights Dr.
362-5284
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 8:15 a.m. (traditional); 10:30 a.m. (contemporary)
Student Ministry: 5 p.m., Sunday
Pastor Tony Thomas
- Young’s Chapel Christian Church*
Rt. 6, Crawfordsville
794-4544
- Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor: Gary Edwards
- Church of Christ:**
Church of Christ
419 Englewood Drive
362-7128
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
- Southside Church of Christ*
153 E 300 South, east of US 231
765-720-2816
Sunday Bible Classes: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship: 5 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Classes: 7 p.m.
Preacher: Brad Phillips
Website: southsidechurchofchristindiana.com
- Church of God:**
First Church of God
711 Curtis St.
362-3482
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Pastor Chuck Callahan
- Grace Avenue Church of God*
901 S. Grace Ave.
362-5687
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m.
Pastor Duane McClure
- Community:**
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Worship: 10:30 a.m.
- Crawfordsville Community Church*
Fairgrounds on Parke Ave.
Crawfordsville
794-4924
Worship: 10 a.m.
Men’s prayer group, Mondays 6:30 p.m.
Pastor Ron Threlkeld
- Gravelly Run Friends Church*
CR 150 N, 500 E
Worship: 10 a.m.
- Harvest Fellowship Church*
CR 500 S
866-7739
Pastor J.D. Bowman
Worship 10 a.m.
- Liberty Chapel Church*
500 N CR 400 W
275-2412
Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.
- Linden Community Church*
321 E. South St., Linden (Hahn’s)
Sunday: 9:15
- Yountsville Community Church*
4382 W SR 32
362-7387
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Alan Goff
- Episcopal:**
Bethel African Methodist Episcopal
213 North St., Crawfordsville
364-1496
- St. John’s Episcopal Church*
212 S. Green Street
765-362-2331
Sunday Eucharist: 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Christian Formation: 9:15 a.m.
Midweek Eucharist Wednesday: 12:15 p.m.
- Full Gospel:**
Church Alive!
1203 E. Main St.
362-4312
Worship: 10 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
- Enoch Ministries*
922 E. South Boulevard
Worship: Sunday, 10 a.m.
Pastor: Jeff Richards
- New Bethel Fellowship*
406 Mill St., Crawfordsville
362-8840
Pastors Greg and Sherri Maish
Associate Pastors Dave and Brenda Deckard
- Worship 10 a.m.
- Victory Family Church*
1133 S. Indiana 47
765-362-2477
Worship: 10 a.m.; Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Pastor Duane Bryant
- Lutheran:**
Christ Lutheran ELCA
300 W. South Blvd. · 362-6434
Holy Communion Services: 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Pastor: Kelly Nelson
www.christchurchindiana.net
- Holy Cross (Missouri Synod)*
1414 E. Wabash Ave.
362-5599
Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship: 10:15 a.m.
Adult Bible Study: 7 p.m., Wed.
Minister: Rev. Jeffery Stone
http://www.holycross-crawfordsville.org
- Phanuel Lutheran Church*
Lutheran Church Rd., Wallace
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Worship: 9:30 a.m.
- United Methodist:**
Christ’s United Methodist
909 E. Main St.
362-2383
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
- Darlington United Methodist Church*
Harrison St.
794-4824
Worship: 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Dirk Caldwell
- First United Methodist Church*
212 E. Wabash Ave.
362-4817
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Traditional Worship: 9 a.m.
The Gathering: 11:10 a.m.
Rev. Brian Campbell
- North Cornerstone Church*
609 South Main St. P.O. Box 38
339-7347
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10 a.m.
Rev. Clint Fink
- Mace United Methodist Church*
5581 US 136 E
362-5734
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:40 a.m.
- Mount Zion United Methodist*
2131 W. Black Creek Valley Rd.
362-9044
Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.
Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Pastor Marvin Cheek
- New Market United Methodist Church*
Third and Main Street
866-0703
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
- New Ross United Methodist Church*
108 W. State St.
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 9 a.m.
- Waveland Covenant United Methodist Church*
403 E. Green St.
866-0703
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Worship: 9:15 a.m.
- Waynetown United Methodist Church*
124 E. Washington St.
243-2610
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Johnny Booth
- Mormon:**
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
125 W and Oak Hill Rd.
362-8006
Sacrament Meeting: 9 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:20 a.m.
- Nazarene:**
Crossroads Community Church of the Nazarene
US 231 and Indiana 234
866-8180
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Mark Roberts
- Harbor Nazarene Church*
2950 US 231 S
307-2119
Worship: 10 a.m.
Pastor Joshua Jones
www.harbornaz.com
- Orthodox:**
Holy Transfiguration Orthodox
4636 Fall Creek Rd.
359-0632
Great Vespers: 5 p.m. Saturday
Matins: 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m. Sunday
Rev. Father Alexis Miller
- Saint Stephen the First Martyr Orthodox Church (OCA)*
802 Whitlock Ave.
361-2831 or 942-2388
Great Vespers: 6:30 p.m. Saturday
Wednesday evening prayer 6:30pm
Divine Liturgy: 9:30 a.m. Sunday
- Presbyterian:**
Bethel Presbyterian Church of Shannondale
1052 N. CR 1075 E., Crawfordsville
794-4383
Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.
- Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church*
307 S. Washington St.
362-5812
Worship: 10 a.m.
Pastor: Dr. John Van Nuys
- Roman Catholic:**
Saint Bernard’s Catholic Church
1306 E. Main St.
362-6121
Father Michael Bower
Worship: 5:30 pm Saturday; 9:30 am, 12:15 - Spanish Mass, 5:00 pm at Wabash College Chapel (during school year)
www.stbernardcville.org
- United Church of Christ:**
Pleasant Hill United Church of Christ - Wingate
Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Alan Goff
- United Pentecostal:**
Pentecostals of Crawfordsville
116 S. Walnut St., Crawfordsville
362-3046
Pastor L. M. Sharp
Worship: 2:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting: 10 a.m., Tuesday
Bible Study: 6 p.m., Wednesday
- Non-denominational:**
Athens Universal Life Church
Your Church Online
http://www.aulc.us
(765)267-1436
Dr. Robert White, Senior Pastor
The Ben Hur Nursing Home
Sundays at 9:00am
Live Broadcast Sundays at 2:00pm
Bickford Cottage Sundays at 6:00pm
- Calvary Chapel*
915 N. Whitlock Ave.
362-8881
Worship: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday: 6 p.m.
- Rock Point Church*
429 W 150S
362-5494
Sunday church services are 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Youth group is from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Sunday
Small Groups: Throughout the week
- The Church of Abundant Faith*
5529 U.S. Highway 136
Waynetown, IN
Reverend John Pettigrew
Sunday Worship: 9:45 am
(765) 225-1295
- The Vine Christian Church*
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Diagnosed With Bladder Cancer? Here Are Things You Should Know

(StatePoint) Bladder cancer is the fourth-most diagnosed cancer among men in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In fact, men have a one in 27 chance and women have a one in 89 chance of developing this cancer during their lifetime.

As with any serious illness, being equipped with the right information after a bladder cancer diagnosis is important. Here five things you should know about detection, removal and surveillance.

1. The importance of improved detection. You probably had a cystoscopy procedure during your diagnosis or during a transurethral resection of bladder tumor (TURBT). While performing the cystoscopy, your urologist likely looked inside your bladder with a small scope using regular white light for illumination. There is also an enhanced cystoscopy procedure called Blue Light Cystoscopy, which uses both white and blue light. This can reveal additional tumors that are either difficult or impossible to see in white light. If you don't know whether you had this procedure, ask your doctor.

2. The value of enhanced visibility. With-

out the use of Blue Light Cystoscopy, it can be more difficult to identify the margins of certain tumors or smaller tumors may be missed. In fact, some flat tumors, called carcinoma in situ (CIS), are typically invisible with white light alone. While Blue Light Cystoscopy may not detect all malignant lesions, when urologists have a better view of tumors, they're able to more completely remove them.

3. Impact on your care. A more complete resection of tumors means that your urologist has removed all the cancer that can be seen using both white and blue light. Less cancer in your bladder improves the chances that subsequent treatment will be successful. Also, the more tumor samples that can be tested by the pathologist, the better chance there is of more accurately understanding the stage and grade of your cancer. The guidelines that doctors use to make treatment decisions are based on cancer stage and grade, so more confidence in this determination can mean a greater chance of success with appropriate treatment.

4. Surveillance is critical. Historically, bladder cancer has the highest recurrence rate (between 50-80%) of any

form of cancer. This can be due to missed tumors and incomplete surgeries because not all cancerous tissue is easy to see under white light. This is one reason that surveillance visits are of the utmost importance. It is vital to keep checking in with your doctor as directed. If you visit an office that uses Blue Light Cystoscopy, you'll be able to see on the monitor whether any areas of your bladder indicate potential cancer. Small tumors might be removed right there in the office, while more advanced tumors could mean needing another TURBT procedure in the operating room. Whatever the results, both patients and urologists report having greater confidence in the examination when using enhanced imaging techniques.

5. Find out more. After a bladder cancer diagnosis, it's important to be aware of the latest technologies available in disease detection. Ask your urologist about whether you were diagnosed using Blue Light Cystoscopy. To find where Blue Light Cystoscopy is available near you, visit <https://rebrand.ly/Find-BLC-4things>. This message was sponsored by Photocure, Inc.

Connecting Those With Heart Defects To Needed Care

(StatePoint) Congenital heart defects (CHDs) are the most common birth defects and doctors and affected families can help ensure that individuals with CHDs receive lifelong congenital cardiac care to stay healthy. In 2010, it was estimated that approximately 1 million children and 1.4 million adults were living with a CHD in the United States. However, about 60% of individuals with CHDs don't see a congenital cardiology specialist after age 18 for follow-up.

Congenital cardiology care is essential, even for those who are not currently experiencing symptoms. In addition to the need to manage the CHD, affected individuals remain at risk for developing acquired cardiac conditions of adulthood. These include a range of potentially serious conditions such as arrhythmias, atherosclerotic heart disease, congestive heart failure, endocarditis, hypertension, hyperlipidemia and pulmonary hypertension.

According to advocates,

a primary care physician is often the only doctor a patient sees, making it critical that patients disclose their CHD to their doctors, and for doctors to help ensure they get the specialized care they need to stay healthy and safe over the years.

"Although most individuals with CHDs require lifelong congenital cardiac care, many children and adults experience gaps in care for several years or more," says Dr. Sherry Farr from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "Whether these lapses are due to loss of insurance, financial barriers or an inaccurate belief that their heart defect has 'been cured,' physicians that these patients see for other reasons can facilitate continuity of cardiac care."

Dr. Farr suggests that physicians start the conversation with patients by asking them if they ever had heart problems. After learning that a patient has a heart defect, they should then emphasize the need for continuous care, even in cases where

patients feel well. Doctors should be prepared to both explain the vital role of congenital cardiologists and provide a referral for a specialist in the area. Patients with CHDs should share their health history at their appointment and be ready to ask questions and seek referrals.

The new CHD Awareness Toolkit from the American Academy of Pediatrics and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention offers resources to help physicians connect people with heart defects to the care they need. It includes materials for pediatricians and family physicians (who treat children), internal medicine physicians and family physicians (who treat adults), obstetrician-gynecologists and emergency room physicians. To learn more or to download the toolkit, visit aap.org/CHDcare.

People with heart defects need lifelong congenital cardiac care. By getting the conversation started, patients and physicians can help ensure continuity of care.

The Season Of Sneezing



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It's once again time to run my annual column on allergies. Some of our readers may already cursing the annual return of allergy symptoms. Tree pollen levels (Oak, Cedar/Juniper and Birch) in Indiana have been high recently. Spring allergy symptoms can make it even more difficult to differentiate who might have an upper respiratory infection, COVID, or just run of the mill allergy symptoms.

Seasonal allergies are a major problem for many people. When allergy sufferers are asked about their quality of life, they generally rate allergies as more bothersome than heart disease and sometimes even cancer. Many different things cause allergies; I want to focus on the seasonal type.

Seasonal allergies are caused by pollen. Pollen contains the male genetic material of plants; it is analogous to sperm in animals. The key to survival of any biologic organism is to disseminate its genetic material as far and wide as possible to mix with that of others in the species in order to improve fitness and survival. Pollen accomplishes this task in exquisite fashion.

There are two main categories of pollen - anemophilous (wind-loving) and entomophilous (insect-loving). Anemophilous pollen is very lightweight, allowing it to move great distances, particularly on windy days. Anemophilous pollen is produced by trees, grasses, and weeds. Golf ball engineers have used biomimicry of pollen grains to design the dimples on the balls to allow them to fly farther.

Entomophilous pollen is produced primarily in plants that bear flowers. It is much heavier and stickier, allowing it to be picked up and spread by insects such as bees. The

loss of pollinating insects due to things like insecticide use and climate change is a real threat to these types of plants. Entomophilous pollens are much less likely to cause allergies since they are not typically inhaled or blown into noses by the wind.

Plants produce and release pollen at various times of the year, hence the "seasonal" nature of allergies. Trees in Indiana start pollinating in late February and usually end sometime in May. Each species of tree pollinates for around one to two weeks.

Grasses start pollinating in April and continue through May. Hoosiers then get a little break until about mid-August when ragweed starts up and continues until sometime in October. The allergy season has become longer over the past two decades, starting two to three weeks earlier and lasting two to three weeks longer. This is most likely due to warming from climate change.

Pollen grains contain proteins on their surfaces that bind to the tissues on the inside of the nose. In order to develop allergies, a person's immune system must be genetically programmed to recognize these proteins as foreign invaders. This is the case in about 40 percent of people.

A person's immune system reacts to these proteins by creating a specific class of antibodies called immunoglobulin E (IgE). It can take from two to ten years of exposure to an allergen to develop IgE in sufficient quantities to cause allergy problems. This is why many people suddenly develop an allergy to a family pet after they have had it for a few years.

When IgE against a particular allergen is produced, it attaches to the surface of specialized mast cells where it sits, waiting to do its job. When pollen finds its way to a mast cell coated with IgE programmed to react to it, it binds to the IgE and causes the cell to release various substances that cause allergy symptoms.

One of the most common molecules released by mast cells is

histamine. It causes the typical nasal symptoms of congestion and watery discharge as well as red, itchy, watery eyes, and perhaps wheezing. These physical effects are all designed to do one thing - cough, sneeze, or flood the allergen out of the body.

Diagnosing pollen allergies is fairly straightforward. The offending agent can often be determined based on the time of year a person develops symptoms. Sometimes an allergist is required to do skin or blood tests to identify the specific offender(s).

There are numerous treatments for allergies. Avoidance is the most important prevention strategy - stay indoors when possible, particularly on windy days, and run the air conditioning instead of opening windows. Saline (salt water) rinses can be very effective at rinsing pollen out of the nose. This can be done using commercial products such as a Neti Pot or squeeze bottle such as Sinus Rinse[®] manufactured by NeilMed.

Antihistamines are also a mainstay of treatment. These medications block the release of histamine by mast cells. There are numerous antihistamines available both off the shelf and by prescription. Older antihistamines like Benadryl[®] (diphenhydramine) often cause drowsiness, but are very effective. Newer medications like Claritin[®] (loratadine), Allegra[®] (fexofenadine), Zyrtec[®] (cetirizine) and XY-ZAL[®] (levocetirizine) are generally less sedating but tend to be a bit more expensive.

Other treatments are also available such as nasal steroid sprays like Flonase[®] (fluticasone) as well as sprays that stabilize mast cells from bursting and releasing histamine. Severe allergy sufferers, or those who fail other therapies, may need to move on to allergy injections under the skin or drops under the tongue to reduce the severity of allergy symptoms.

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Selecting a Health Care Provider

Resources to guide your selection

FAMILY FEATURES

Getting health care for yourself or a loved one is a big responsibility, especially if you're just getting started with Medicare or have changes in your life, such as a new diagnosis of a condition or disease. It can be overwhelming if you need services like nursing home care, have to find a new doctor or get home health care.

Using online tools like "Find Care Providers" on Medicare.gov can make it easier to make comparisons and help choose doctors, hospitals, nursing homes and more for you or the person you are helping provide care to. Consider these benefits of using the comparison tools to narrow your options.

A Resource for Research

The website provides a simple search and compare experience that allows you to find providers near you. Simply put in a ZIP code and the type of provider to receive a list of providers, their contact information and a map of locations. The information even includes "star ratings" and services provided. The tool can be used to find all sorts of providers, including doctors, hospitals, home health care agencies, skilled nursing facilities, rehabilitation providers, hospice and dialysis facilities.

For example, two sisters needed to find a nursing home that was right for their father. This proved to be a difficult, emotional decision. They didn't know what nursing homes were in the area where he lives, so they entered his ZIP code and searched for nursing homes. They then received a list of each one in his area, complete with ratings as well as staffing data and inspection reports.

Using a laptop, desktop, tablet or mobile device, you can see how patients rate their care experiences at the hospitals in your area and find home health agencies that offer the services you might need, like nursing care, physical therapy and occupational therapy.

Contact information for local inpatient rehabilitation facilities or long-term care hospitals is available, as well as hospice quality care ratings and specific care details, such as which dialysis facilities offer home dialysis training.

Finding Health Care Services

Many factors influence who you trust with your health care. In some cases, family, caregivers or friends may offer referrals to a doctor or medical

facility based on their own experiences, and that can be a helpful guide.

Whether you have referrals or are starting from scratch, you can compare health care providers near you using the Medicare.gov tool, pinpointing which category of services you need, whether it's doctors and clinicians, hospitals, hospice and home health agencies, dialysis facilities, inpatient rehabilitation centers or nursing homes.

In addition to searching by your location using your address or a combination of city, state or ZIP code, you can search by provider type and keyword to generate a list of providers that could fit your needs.

Finding a Doctor Who Fits

When you're looking for a new doctor and not sure where to start, the tool makes it quick and easy to find and compare doctors in your area. You can find contact information, practice locations, specialty and hospital affiliation as well as hospital ratings.

Selecting the "compare" button allows you to compare up to three different health care providers at once. When you're ready to schedule a visit with a new provider, be sure to take time during your scheduling call to verify general information, like the office location, whether the office is accepting new patients with Medicare and whether you need a referral to be treated.

Comparing Nursing Homes

Whether you're planning ahead or need to make an unexpected decision, there's a lot to think about when choosing the right nursing home for you or someone else. Many family members and caregivers prioritize location so they're able to check in and visit frequently, but there are many other important factors you may want to consider, too.

The comparison tool at Medicare.gov provides filtering options that allow you to personalize your results by sifting through the criteria that matter most to you, such as inspection results, number of beds, staffing data and more.

You'll be able to check out the nursing home's overall "star ratings." The information can serve as a guide of a provider's track record to help assist you with finding a home that best suits the person's needs.

Visit Medicare.gov/care-compare to access the tool and find health care providers and services in your area that fit your needs.

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Caregiver Guide

Making decisions as a caregiver can be challenging but taking advantage of available resources can help you feel more confident in your choices.

For example, Medicare.gov allows you to find information about health care providers, hospitals, nursing homes, hospice, home health agencies, dialysis facilities, inpatient rehab and long-term care hospitals near you. The website also provides quality ratings, so you can see the provider or facility's history of service, among other details that help you make the most informed decision on behalf of the person you're helping.

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Next Up Is Samuel Munson Vancleave – Saga #4

Samuel carries his mother's maiden name as his middle, son of Benjamin Samuel and Ruth Munson, born in Mocksville, Rowan County, NC on 25 Feb 1770. At age 21 (March 1791) he married Elizabeth Woods daughter of Abijah and Mary Jane (Morrisson) Woods and later married a Sarah Garner according to many sources, but I think it may be his son who did? He was a furniture maker and well admired for this trait, but in his early days as a young man, he and his friend, Tom Mahuron (via a letter from Jonathan Vancleave, nephew of Samuel's) had just talked about what they would do if they were captured by Indians. Tom said he'd be killed first before going and Sam said he'd take his chances and go with them, trying to make it back at a future date.

Well, these two were working on making a work shed one day not long thereafter. Tom kept saying he heard something, and indeed it was what they had feared. I'll not tell you what happened to Tom when he wrapped his arms around a sapling and wouldn't go but as you probably have guessed, Sam did indeed.

When they arrived at their destination, Sam hoed corn with the women but he didn't do well (on purpose), so he was taken on hunts for food, at which he excelled. In fact, he became one of their favorites, so much so they wanted him to marry one of their beautiful maidens. He said no as he had a wife and children in Kentuck and that was all he cared for. After a long time with them (all the way to the St. Joseph



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

River, northern Michigan) they let him go on hunts alone but they counted the number of shots he had and he had to make it tally. What they didn't know was he cut the bullets, only using half the shot, still getting their game. There was another man named Scott as a prisoner with Sam and one day Sam said, "This is the day I propose to lead our way back home." Scott insisted he was the better for it so they were gone all day and ended-up at the back side of the village they had just left. They got up in a hollow log, waited until the next night, when Sam lead them home after 18 months. In September, 1813 Sam received a deed from his father for 68 acres.

Sam moved with his family to Indiana after Elizabeth's death and his (?) remarriage to Sarah Garner (21 Dec 1823 in Shelby Co KY) and lived here until he died (24 August 1843) and is buried in the Old Union Cemetery near Waveland. Thanks much to Sue P for the photo from FindAGrave, Sam's entry tagged "Preacher Sam." Other than the obvious, I can't find an explanation for



that. Anyone know?

Samuel received 160 acres from a land grant, signed by John Quincy Adams, President, in Brown Township, and built at least his own mill and possibly two or three others on Indian and then Sugar Creek. His property in Shelby County he deeded to his children ("for natural love and affection, I bear my son, Cyrus..." 62 acres; same deal to son Samuel, probably others but all I could find!)

The first child I have for this man is a Samuel but he is not on many family trees; however, I have him born 18 March 1792 (perfect fit for his parents' marriage and perfect age to be given the property in Shelby County above).

Also have an Absalom in this family who died young, 1793-1810.

Next son up, Cyrus we know quite a bit about born 12 Nov 1795 died in Sept 1872 in Kansas, married Malinda Mitchell (daughter of Dan and Mary Overstreet Mitchell). They parented Albert Mitchell Vancleave plus at least: Amanda who died at age 16; Mary Overstreet Vancleave

(married in Greencastle to Marion Grimes and they went to Monroe County, Iowa, Marion must have passed young, she remarried a Turpin and was again widowed – two Grimes daughters, Elizabeth and Sarah plus a son, Cyrus Turpin, living very close to her Uncle Hiram in a couple of Iowa census records) plus Paulina.

I have a Mary (Polly) born 1793 Shelby County died 1875 married to a Samuel Williams and guess what – nothing else for them.

Hiram Walter was born 18 June 1798 Shelby County and died 30 April 1871 Monroe, Iowa. He married Paulina Mitchell (Malinda's sister above) who died the year after Hiram and they are buried in Blakesburg Cemetery. Their children were: Hiram William (who fathered 8); Newton Brown (9 children); Cyrus O (5); James Allen (4) and Ann (?).

Cynthia born about 1800 in Shelby County married James Allen and I purposely didn't research this name for the article as doubt they were here and the name is so common. Later maybe!

Ruth came next and I have she died the same year as her father (1843) but nothing on a marriage or not. In MoCo a Ruth married Hamilton Gritton Sept 1830 and another one to Johnson Todd (2-11-1841). Either her?

Abijah Wood Vancleave moved north (MoCo) then west (Wapello, Iowa) and finally south to Karnes County, Texas where he and wife Anna Jane Mount are buried. In 1850 Wapello he had a nice

farm and children Samuel; Mathias; Elijah; William; America; Abijah and Louiza, all born in MoCo. They weren't in Iowa long as by 1860 they were in Texas where AWV is listed as a stock raiser.

Lucretia (26 March 1812–14 July 1887 buried McConnell Cemetery in Oxford) Vancleave married William Minter Layne in 1825 (1805-1888) but lived in MoCo up through at least 1860. His children: Henry; Emily; Sarah E; George W and Eunice plus possibly a Lucretia.

William B. G. Vancleave was born about 1814 in Shelby County and married Pauline Cole but where oh where did William go?

Samuel's wife (I'm still a bit unsure on this but almost all the family trees have this) Elizabeth Woods passed away and he evidently married Sarah Garner who would have been about 40. They had one son, Samuel Garner VanCleave born Shelby died Marion Iowa July 1904 married Sara Teeters and parented five children (love their names - Hortensia Artitia married Joshua Vancleave buried Dawson Co Nebraska); William Preston; Paris Teeters; Louisa Helen and Cyrus Marion) and they produced at least 22 more for the family tree ... thanks to Samuel Munson that!!

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Readin', Writin', Arithmetic ... Butch Has Some Ideas



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

Do you recall the subjects you took in high school? Everyone had to pass the required courses of biology, English, basic math, social studies, etc., but some of us were placed in the "college prep" curriculum...and took subjects such as physics, chemistry, trigonometry, and calculus, just to name a few. These came in handy when I attended Purdue, but I never really used the knowledge later in life. I also took Latin, which was the only language course offered. It actually was beneficial to understanding the meaning of words of many languages, but unfortunately I never met any Romans to discuss the triumphs

and tribulations of Julius Caesar.

One class that was practical was typing, although I never learned to "touch-type." Yes, sorry, Mr. Inskoop, I admit it...I cheated and looked at the keys, but could still type around 45-50 words a minute. A few boys took shop class (i.e. Industrial Arts), and I would have taken this if my schedule had allowed it.

The basic subjects that are taught today haven't changed much in the last fifty years. But the WAY things are taught has changed in SOME schools. Many parents are more worried about what they may have to "unlearn" their kids when they come home...a multi-cultural curriculum which is "inclusivity-insistent," diversity-sensitive, and dripping with progressive-liberal-thinking. Many students can list every injustice and every perceived fault of American society, but have never read the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution. According to a recent poll, almost one-half of all young adults believe socialism is a good thing! Their motto..."Everyone is equal in the world. Rich people should give their money to the poor.

The government can correct all of our society's ills and the world's problems for your benefit by using YOUR money. Then everyone will be happy and contented and nice to each other." OK...sure thing... Sorry, kiddos, not going to happen.

When I taught 5th, 6th, and 7th grade social studies, all of my students were required to memorize the Equality clause of the Declaration of Independence,

the Preamble to the Constitution, the Pledge of Allegiance, the National Anthem, all 50 states and capitals, all of the Presidents (in chronological order), the Gettysburg Address, and also label on a map the countries of Europe and Asia. Yes, it was difficult for some students, but they kept at it until they could do it...and they were so proud when finished! These are important things to know, not to mention the fact that memorization skills are vital to brain development.

While math and English are still considered the two most important subjects to master, perhaps schools could make a few other classes mandatory, such as:

1. Personal finance...

basic day-to-day topics such as banking, loans, credit cards, insurance, investments, protection against fraud, etc. Most kids today have no idea how to handle money responsibly. Perhaps they should be taught that saving is a good thing!

2. Shop class...Yes, both boys and girls should learn how to use their brains and their hands to make/repair things. Woodworking, metalwork, construction, electricity, auto maintenance, and using various tools. They should also learn how to change a tire and do simple home repairs.

3. Home economics...Here again...for both boys and girls at least two semesters. Learn about nutrition and healthy foods, cooking, baking, sewing and textiles, child development, taking care of younger kids, budgeting, etc.

Other mandatory topics might include first aid, self-defense, and local laws. I also believe driver education should be mandatory and be paid for by the schools. Many schools still have drug and alcohol education, but the results vary. Evidently they are not doing much good. In the most extensive study ever done, 5th grade students who had taken

D.A.R.E. had higher drug-use rates when they reached the 12th grade than those who did not take the course.

With the way our society is nowadays, I would also suggest students take courses in how to manage their time, how to accept failure and learn from it, and how to survive WITHOUT technology. A debate class, stressing facts, and not just personal opinion, would also be good.

It's a much more complicated world in which kids grow up today, compared to how I grew up in the 1950s and 60s. Many times students have not been taught to appreciate our history, American values, and the freedoms we all have. With regards to practical skills, I learned a lot of useful and common sense things from growing up on a farm. However, sad...but true...I never learned how to wash and dry a load of clothes until four years ago (at the age of 70)...and then I forgot to put in the laundry soap!...OOPS!

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How Low Can We Go? Answers Are Evident

Remember Harry Belafonte's version of the Limbo song. . . that rich baritone asking how low can you go?

Harry is 96 today and I'm guessing might be surprised at the answer to that question. Why? Because today, in this country, we're proving over and over and over we can go pretty doggone low.

And it doesn't feel like we're done yet.

Consider:

- Voting
- Government assistance
- Drug testing
- School sports
- Academic rankings
- Sin
- Journalism
- Even tax day

Think not? Let's delve into each.

Voting: Most of us grew up with the idea that we would vote on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November at a specific location. That law was passed by Congress in 1845 and even though early voting options (absentee) have been in use for quite a while, the vast majority of Americans who voted (more than 90 percent) tended to do so on Election Day. In the 1990s that began to change, and those changes have accelerated of late. Is that good, bad or indifferent? Fans will tell you that early voting brings out more voters. Critics will tell you it opens the door to fraud. All I know is that growing up we usually had results election night. Now, despite technological advances, results often take longer and the whole process went from simple to confusing. All in the name of lowering the bar for voting.

Government Assistance: Remember when most people would rather dig ditches than accept government assistance? There was a matter of pride involved, and I would argue that



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

despite the sinful connotation, that wasn't a bad thing. Today, it is not uncommon for people to turn down jobs so they can stay at home on the government dime.

Drug testing: I was at an event recently where a manufacturing plant exec told me they quit drug testing as a pre-condition of employment. Why? It's harder to find employees now than ever before. They don't need an extra barrier.

School sports: OK, so the IHSAA has been a favorite punching bag on the issue of class sports. So, let's leave that low-hanging fruit alone for a second. What about earning varsity letters? Last time I looked, letter sweaters weren't in vogue anymore. But letter jackets still are. Even though every school can have their own system of how a student gets one, at some schools, the bar is pretty low. As soon as a kid gets their first letter, they can go out and buy a letter jacket. It used to be a lot harder. A hundred or so years ago when I was in school you got half a point for making the freshman or JV team and you got one point for making varsity. At three points, you earned your letter sweater and it took six points to earn your jacket. For most, that meant they got their jacket as a junior or senior

– and I guarantee you it meant a lot! It also kept you going when things got tough because that was a big goal you were working toward.

Academic rankings: Like most of the above, this is not a blanket statement. But some schools have done away with academic rankings and things like valedictorians. The idea being that such put undue pressure on kids and made some kids feel bad. And good gosh we don't want anyone feeling pressure or, even worse, feeling bad today.

Sin: This is one of my favorites. Things we were taught were wrong back in Sunday School now aren't only OK, they are celebrated. Even more, if you still believe all the things you were taught in those classes, you are now the one in the wrong. In fact, you are now characterized as a right-wing Christian Zealot.

Journalism: This one is NOT my favorite, but sadly, it's a reality. One of the first newsrooms I worked in had a sign on the wall – If your mother tells you she loves you, get a second source. That used to be the standard. Us rookie reporters might write something without attribution, but savvy editors would whip out the red grease pencil and wipe out any "facts" that weren't backed. Today, take a look at a lot of stories and you won't be hard-pressed to find phrases like "falsely claimed." Are those statements backed up with sources and facts? Usually not. And most of the time they are aimed at conservatives. This one is personal for me, but we've lowered the standard way too much.

Tax Day: What, was having the same deadline every year too boring? Now, Tax Day is a movable feast (for the government) and the April 15 deadline is long gone.

I know, I sound like the

grumpy old man I am. The thing is, we used to live in a country that raised standards – that set high goals and worked hard to achieve them. Anyone remember JFK's moon speech where he set a goal that we didn't even have the technology to pull it off? But pull it off we did.

You can talk sports or work, doesn't matter. In sports, good coaches raised expectations and standards. They never lowered them. And let's not forget those wonderful class sports. How many schools did we have back when Milan won state in 1954, 750 or so? The thing is, that tournament was never about the winner, not really. That tournament taught those 749 schools that if you want to win, work harder. It taught the valuable lesson that sometimes in life you lose . . . and how to handle that.

Not true today. We don't want anyone to feel left bad or left out. We want the lowliest of jobs to pay good money, really good money. Forget the fact that some of us started out in low-paying jobs and worked our asses off to make a better life. Now, you get the better life handed to you without having to work so hard for it.

What does all that teach us? Are we learning that if you want something, work for it? Or are we learning that if you want something whine about how unfair things are and wait for someone to give it to you?

Before anyone gets offended, this has nothing to do with discrimination of any sort – race, gender, creed, orientation . . . Discrimination, in whatever form it manifests itself, is wrong. Capital W.R.O.N.G. But we've taken the concept and blown it out of proportion. Now, if an unjust act occurs, and if it is the exception and not the rule, we rush to change the rules so we can crush it out of existence and never, ever let it

happen again. Sure. We seem to forget the ugly fact that no matter how many guidelines, rules and laws we have, stupidity will never go completely away. One can argue that the process can actually make things worse.

We lower standards with the idea that everyone will feel OK. But let me repeat – stupid will not go away.

You want to make a real change? Teach people to pray for those who discriminate in any form . . . and then ignore them. Don't give them power. Don't make them martyrs. Walk away. Find another path. Do better. Don't give them any power.

Truth to tell, life can be hard . . . and unforgiving at times. When we keep giving everyone easy answers we are not preparing them for when things get tough.

Raising our standards, expecting the best from each other, that practice made us and our country better, tougher, more competitive. We survived and won a few wars because we truly were the toughest kid on the block. Keep on lowering things and see how tough we become . . . and see what happens when some other nation takes our lunch money and bloodies our nose.

We have to toughen up, to not get our feelings hurt so easily. We have to get back to raising the bar, to getting what we work for and taking a little pride in that. If we don't, then we should not be surprised when, as my grandpa used to say, things go to hell in a handbasket.

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Ask Rusty - Why Should A Non-working Spouse Be Entitled To Social Security Benefits?

Dear Rusty: Why can a non-working spouse claim half of their working spouse's benefit even though they have not contributed to the Social Security system? This doesn't seem right or fair to those of us who have contributed for years from our paychecks. Signed: *Inquisitive*

Dear Inquisitive: This is a question which needs a bit of historical background to properly explain: Social Security's original purpose when it was enacted in 1935 was to prevent America's seniors from living in poverty (remember, Social Security was enacted during the "Great Depression").

Even before the first Social Security check was sent to a retired worker in 1940, Congress had already changed the original Social Security law to, as well, provide anti-poverty benefits to non-working spouses of a worker (a predominant family reality at that time) and surviving spouses, as well as to their minor children. Social Security's fundamental goal has always been to lift eligible Americans out of poverty, which it still does very effectively. It's important to note that this change did not (and does not) detract in any way from the benefits provided to those who work and contribute to Social



ASK RUSTY
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Security thus earning their own SS retirement benefit. In other words, those who receive their personally earned SS retirement benefit are not at all penalized if their non-working spouse also receives a benefit (albeit a considerably smaller amount) on the worker's record. Living expenses

Social Security Matters by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor

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es for two people are, simply, higher than for one, which was/is the rationale for also paying benefits to a dependent not eligible for Social Security benefits on their own work record. In the end, it all comes down to avoiding poverty. Although the numbers vary somewhat by state,

gender, and ethnicity, without Social Security about 38% of all Americans over age 65 would be living below the poverty line, whereas with Social Security only about 9% of Americans over 65 live below the poverty line. But that 9% number would be significantly higher if

non-working spouses and survivors of eligible workers were also not entitled to Social Security benefits.

While it is true that Social Security is facing future solvency issues, the thought of restricting benefits to only those who have worked and contributed to the program (and not to their non-working spouses or minor children) is not something being considered by anyone with Congressional influence, regardless of political affiliation. Doing so would be devastating to a large segment of the American population, severely increasing poverty – the very thing that Social Security is designed to prevent.

The Baby Boomer TV Personality: Who Are You?



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

Have you ever thought about what factors influenced your personality... what helped make you the person you are...the complex components of temperament, attitude, and character that distinguishes each individual? Many psychologists believe that an individual's basic personality is formed in the first four or five years of a child's life. Although everyone has inborn traits, family parenting methods significantly influence personality development... and always will.

But for those of you born after WWII, there is another factor that was crucial to the development of your personality...that's right...television. In 1946 there were approximately 6000 TVs in America. By 1951, there were 12 million TV sets, and by the mid-50s almost every home had a television. It is estimated that the average child watched two or three hours of television daily. Many parents used television as babysitters



Photo courtesy of Butch Dale

because it kept the little ones occupied when they had things to do or had people over. Dad bought our first television in 1952 when I was 3 1/2 years old, so by the time I started school in the fall of 1954...and even though I lived on a farm and played outside much of the time, I had likely watched thousands of hours of TV shows.

My parents' favorite shows were the "Texaco Star Theater" (starring Milton Berle), "The Honeymooners" (starring Jackie Gleason), "The George Burns and Gracie Allen Show", "Our Miss Brooks" (starring Eve Arden), "Your Show of Shows" (starring Sid Caesar and Imogene Coca), "The Jack Benny Show", and of course "I Love Lucy" (starring Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz). Several people have told me that I have a unique sense of hu-

mor, and I really believe these comedy shows had a great deal to do with that. I also watched my favorite shows... "The Howdy Doody Show" (with Buffalo Bob), "Miss Frances' Ding Dong School", "Captain Kangaroo", "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet", "The Gene Autry Show", and my two favorites... "The Lone Ranger" and "The Adventures of Superman"... all of these coming on the air before I started first grade.

I learned quite a few things, information-wise, from the first three shows, which helped me when I began school. I also often imitated the characters in the other shows. I received a capgun and holster one Christmas and pretended I was Gene Autry, Hopalong Cassidy, or the Lone Ranger. I drew an "S" on a T-shirt, pinned a red towel to my back, and jumped from the front porch roof just like Superman. Yes, I did fly...straight to the ground and broke a bone in my foot! I also could mimic the various comedians' funny facial expressions and tell their jokes to anyone who would listen.

Even under adverse situations as a police officer, I still maintained a sense of humor. Perhaps deep down there is an "Uncle Milty" lodged in the recesses of my

brain. Perhaps I became a teacher because of Eve Arden, Miss Frances, or Miss Landers (on "Leave It to Beaver"). Perhaps I became a Sheriff because of the Lone Ranger, Matt Dillon, or Wyatt Earp. And is the fact that I always enjoy helping people with their problems a result of me imitating my parents, going to Sunday school, or watching hundreds of episodes of Superman? Yes, maybe all three.

Think about what young people watch today...not only on TV, but also on video games, in movies, in music videos, and on the Internet. What type of personality traits are being formed? Senseless violence, R-rated language, crude and vulgar humor, sex-filled scenes, and totally abhorrent behavior...is definitely not beneficial in developing a normal, well-adjusted person. We already know the results. We see it on the news every day.

Well, maybe I'm wrong about all of this. The people who know me a bit too well might have another theory... perhaps I watched too much of another show... The Three Stooges.

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Those Darn Socks



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I turned on the television and found a movie of interest. I set a stack of holey socks beside me along with my sewing kit.

I turned the sock inside out. I slipped the light bulb up inside and positioned it near the heel.

I threaded the white thread into the needle and tied a triple knot at its end. I then pushed the needle into the edge of the hole in the sock, and pulled it through. Unfortunately, it pulled straight through, so I added a couple of more knots at the end of the thread.

I pushed it through again and this time it held, so I repeated the process of stitching the hole shut.

The stack of socks with a mixture of holes in the heel or toe is about 25 deep, so the process continues as I pushed on with the task.

As I grew tired of the routine, I varied by changing the thread and sewing up holes in my boxer shorts.

When I finish the process on the shorts and socks, I will gain several months of additional wear out of these items until they once again need some sewing to any new holes that develop.

Buying a bit of thread is a lot more economical than purchasing a new packet of socks or boxers.

While enjoying a movie, I am refilling my underwear drawer with useful items rather than throwing these into the dust rag storage bag. They may be there eventually but not while there is still wear in them.

While many of my jeans are now extremely stylish with well worn holes. Some are in places where I feel they should not be, so I recently picked up some jeans at the thrift store which will become patches for the inside of my jeans to fill those less than appropriate holes.

I am blessed that my

folks taught me that anything you may do to lengthen the use of any item, is a productive use of your time. Fixing appliances rather than going and buying a new one. In most cases today though, you can't buy parts, so you are stuck with filling the landfill.

In many ways life is filled with items that are ragged, worn, or seemingly on its last legs.

I often feel this way about my own physical or mental condition. Life can be a daunting experience like we could use a bit of stitching ourselves, maybe some stuffing here and there could be shifted or added to make us feel better. Alas, that is not possible for us to make such improvements ourselves. We can however work on our minds and bodies in a more long-term fashion.

A regular exercise routine can improve strength and energy. Study through reading, attending study groups or classes may encourage your mental health allowing you to uplift your outlook. Perhaps its your soul that could use a bit of polish. Pick up the Bible or a variety of biblical devotionals which you may find that will touch your daily outlook upon yourselves and others.

When you sit down and watch television each evening, think about things you might do that will allow you to improve your situation, so when you get up from watching it, you have made progress on something while you have also been entertained.

Using your time wisely and in a way that improves your life will change your world in a positive manner. Maybe starting by sewing up your socks will be a good start.

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Moral Hazard As A Way Of Life

By Dr. Jeffrey Herbener

Moral hazard occurs when an agreement people make to act in concert for their mutual benefit results in an incentive for one of them to act immorally. The classic case is insurance. When an insurance company contracts with a homeowner to provide fire insurance, the homeowner now has incentive to pay a few premiums and then burn his house down and collect a full insurance payout. In committing arson, not only does the homeowner harm the material well-being of the owners of the insurance company and the innocent homeowners who are abiding by their promises, he injures his own spiritual well-being. He has defrauded those who trusted him to keep his word. In response to the possibility of arson, the insurance company assembles an arson investigation team to detect such immoral behavior. Mitigating moral hazard is a wise course of action because it limits the harm to all involved. It would be foolish for the insurance company to overlook the harm of moral hazard or, even worse, to arrange its affairs in a way that augmented moral hazard.

The potential for moral hazard permeates human relationships. Wisdom counsels us to look for ways to mitigate the damage of moral hazard and avoid acting in ways that create moral hazard. In one area, regrettably, moral hazard has become a way of life.

Moral hazard is endemic to a banking system regulated by a central bank. Consider the current banking crisis. As reported by Dr. Peter St. Onge on March 19, total unrealized losses in the banking system are between \$1.7 trillion and \$2 trillion. The capital buffer for the entire system is \$2.2 trillion. The banking system, therefore, is on the verge of insolvency. Furthermore, there are 186 banks in distress and hundreds with losses bigger and capital buffers smaller than Silicon Valley Bank.

The main culprit in these losses is the Federal Reserve's more than decade-long policy of suppressing interest rates. Cheap credit has given an incentive to investors and entrepreneurs to pour funding into all kinds of projects and practices that will prove to be financially unviable. Monetary inflation is the fuel needed to increase the supply of credit and keep interest rates suppressed. The unwinding of the quantitative-easing policies of the

Fed after 2014 was quickly abandoned in the repo crisis of 2019. But it was the monetary inflation of the Fed to fund the fiscal explosion of the federal government during the Covid lockdown that has resulted in the current return of significant price inflation. In turn, higher price inflation rates are now causing interest rates to rise. Rising interest rates on newly issued Treasuries have collapsed the market prices of the low-interest-rate Treasuries that banks acquired in the past and are holding now because regulatory bodies consider them safe. Of the nearly \$17.5 trillion in bank credit in the banking system, roughly \$4.4 trillion is Treasury and Agency securities and another significant but unknown portion of bank credit is now unprofitable loans undertaken during the period of cheap credit. Clearly, the Fed's policy actions have led to the current crisis.

In turn, the Fed's policy of suppressing interest rates was the result of the quantitative easing begun under Ben Bernanke because of his belief that without an unprecedented monetary inflation in the wake of the financial crises of 2007, the banking system would collapse and usher in another Great Depression. Although we can't test Bernanke's prediction to see what would have happened in the absence of his monetary inflation experiments, we are living through its consequences. As the banking system lurches from one crisis to the next, perhaps the time is fast approaching where fundamental reform may get a fair hearing.

In the meantime, the ground for the next banking crisis is being laid by the policy solution to the current crisis. The Treasury, the Fed, and the FDIC have pledged to make depositors whole. Doing so perpetuates the incentive to which the large depositors succumbed in holding account balances far in excess of the FDIC-insured maximum of \$250,000. As reported by Doug French, \$151.6 billion or 86% of the total deposits of \$175.4 billion at SVB were uninsured. By making depositors whole, their reckless behavior will be perpetuated and the problem government officials are trying to solve will emerge in a more virulent form in the future. Backstopping depositors this time is just the latest extension of a tradition of treating certain institutions as "too big to fail."

It's disingenuous for

government officials to claim that taxpayers will not be on the hook for making depositors whole. Someone will suffer for the immoral behavior of depositors and bank officials. If the FDIC obtains the funding by raising fees on other banks and their depositors, the innocent suffer for the guilty just like the homeowners who pay their premiums while arsonists collect insurance company payouts. Fed monetary inflation is the other alternative to raising taxes to fund the payouts to depositors.

As with taxation, monetary inflation redistributes income. The first receivers, in this case SVB's depositors, get the new money first and spend it to obtain goods and services they want to buy. Without Fed monetary inflation, however, these goods and services would have gone to others. And if SVB depositors' command over goods and services is maintained because of monetary inflation, it comes at the expense of those who receive the new money later in the process of spending and receiving the new money across a wider circle of people. The late receivers will have to pay higher prices brought about by the spending and receiving process. Although the depositors are richer than they would have been without the Fed's monetary inflation, the late receivers of the new money and those who do not receive the new money at all are poorer. Why would anyone support a government policy that restores the wealth of richer persons who have acted imprudently at the expense of poorer persons who are innocent?

Clearly, the Fed will be called upon to use monetary inflation to pay the depositors. The FDIC Deposit Insurance Fund stood at \$128 billion on December 31, 2022. At that time the DIF constituted 1.3% of the account balances it insured. In addition to those of SVB, the uninsured deposits of Signature Bank are around \$79 billion, bringing the total commitment to cover uninsured depositors in the two failed banks to around \$230 billion, which dwarfs the FDIC's DIF by \$100 billion. Since the Treasury is swimming in debt, it's unlikely that taxes will be raised to pay depositors. If fact, the Fed has already answered the call to inflate the money supply to fund payments to depositors. From the week ended on March 15, Reserve Bank Credit increased \$211

billion. It now stands at \$8.657 trillion, which is \$353 billion greater than its Quantitative Tightening low point on March 9 and only \$262 billion short of its peak of \$8.919 trillion reached on May 18, 2022.

As a modest proposal to help prevent a repeat of this particular episode of moral hazard, states and national charters for banks could be given to strictly deposit banks, i.e., to money warehouses, that merely safekeep depositors' money which remains fully available to them to spend. Of course, such banks would charge fees for being money custodians. But their existence would eliminate the moral hazard of backstopping large, uninsured depositors in fractional-reserve banks. Workers and suppliers would have incentive to deal with companies that kept their demand deposits at warehouse banks and not bear the uncertainty of dealing with a customer of another SVB who can't make payroll or pay for supplies during a bank panic. Competition would exert pressure on other companies to follow suit. In fact, warehouse banks might be popular with households, too. Thereby reducing, and perhaps eliminating, the need for FDIC protection and the destructive incentives it creates for depositors.

Backstopping depositors is, regrettably, only the proverbial tip of the iceberg of moral hazard in our money and banking system. Should we expect bank regulators to act diligently and with acumen when they face no consequences or even have their power and budgets expanded after they fail to even notice, let alone forestall, an impending crisis? And should we expect politicians to act soberly and prudently in considering policy for the common good when they have access to the Fed's printing press?

At least one former Federal-Reserve insider recognizes that our central banking system has made moral hazard a way of life. What's needed is fundamental reform. When will we abandon the foolish path of enacting policies that extend the scope of moral hazard? If we refuse to abandon the foolish path, we risk burning our house to the ground.

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Trump And Daniels, Hush Money Doesn't Work



GLENN MOLLETTE
Guest Columnist

An ongoing saga continues to surround Former President Donald Trump and porn star Stormy Daniels. Will it never end? Trump may or may not be indicted by the time you read this but who knows? Who isn't tired of hearing about an alleged sexual encounter between these two.

Former President Trump has denied the encounter ever occurred but Daniels has said it did occur. Who is telling the truth? Who should we believe? Is there proof of this alleged "affair" or sexual encounter?

Does anyone have a video of the Trump and Daniels encounter? Apparently, Daniels is big on videos for money participating in encounters that most of us really do not want to see. I'm sure some people do since pornography an international addictive problem that destroys more lives than we will ever know. Even if it existed, we certainly do not want to see any such "encounter" between Daniels and Trump. Even so, how do you prove such an event took place. We are back again to "he said, she said."

President Trump has had his feet to the fire because he is alleged to have paid \$130,000 to Daniels to keep quiet about the "encounter." The problem is unclear. Is he alleged to have paid the money out of campaign funds raised for his Presidential bid in 2016? Or, is this about being an amount of money beyond the legal campaign donation cap and how could it ever be considered a campaign donation? Does any of it make sense? As much money as Trump has, would he not have just paid her out of his petty cash fund? If Daniels and Trump had a dispute then how is it illegal to have settled a dispute? People do it every day.

Trump made millions just from his reality television show The Apprentice on NBC. I always figured this is one reason NBC hates Trump so much. He made them a lot of money and the show was still making major money when he quit to run for President. Money and

greed color everything.

Why don't they just produce the check written to Daniels? Michael Cohen, Trump's former attorney who served time in prison, allegedly gave the money to Daniels and was reimbursed by Trump.

Did he write a check from his personal account? How did Trump reimburse Cohen? Did he go to the bank and get a cashier's check? Just go back and do an audit. How credible is Cohen? Does Cohen know for sure which account the money came from?

Back in 1974 Jerry Springer, (Yes, the TV reality show star) resigned from the Cincinnati City council because he had written two checks to two different prostitutes in Northern, Kentucky. The controversy took over his life but he was later re-elected to the city council and even later served as mayor. In one of his commercials, that I remember seeing, he said, "I made a mistake. I paid a prostitute with a check." He actually wrote two checks. One was for \$50 and the other was for \$25. He would go on to serve as Cincinnati's mayor from 1977-1978. But wait, he admitted to it and he didn't pay it from campaign or government funds.

Looks like if Trump could get in trouble for paying for an "encounter," then Daniels would be in trouble for prostitution. But wait, she didn't collect money for an alleged encounter with Trump, but she got money to be quiet about the encounter with Trump. Is this not blackmail? Are there not any consequences for blackmail? Apparently, there is more money to be made from being quiet about "encounters" than actually selling oneself for an "encounter". She did reportedly receive a handsome book royalty check to talk about her life that attorney Michael Avenatti stole. He is now serving time in prison for defrauding clients and tax evasion.

There is probably more that will be said about this alleged "encounter". This proves it doesn't work to pay porn stars hush money, because, they take the money and still tell everybody.

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Jesus Revolution Presents A Relevant Revival

By Dr. David Ayers

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On Thursday, February 23, the two-week-long, nonstop religious revival at tiny Asbury University in rural Wilmore, Kentucky saw its official end. Starting with about 20 students who stayed after a regular campus chapel service, tens of thousands had been drawn from across the country in that short span to participate in almost radically simple prayer, singing, and worship. By then, this "awakening" was reported to have spread to several other religious colleges.

In what even the most religiously cynical person must admit is a surprising coincidence, Jesus Revolution — a film exploring the genesis of the Jesus Movement that began among drugged-out hippies in the late 1960s in California and rapidly spread nationally and even internationally — hit the theaters the very next day. It has already quadrupled original box office expectations, grossing almost \$33 million in slightly under two weeks. Not bad for a small-budget independent film with only one big-name actor.

Jesus Revolution focuses on the remarkable transformation of the life and ministry of conservative pastor Chuck Smith (Kelsey Grammer), his unlikely partnership with hippy evangelist Lonnie Frisbee (Jonathan Roumie, who plays Jesus in The Chosen), and the salvation of Greg Laurie (Joel Courtney) from the "sex, drugs and rock & roll" lifestyle. Laurie, who now pastors a Southern Baptist megachurch, co-authored the book that inspired this movie.

What we see is the genesis of an unplanned spiritual juggernaut that ultimately swept the country and led to the evangelical conversion of millions, including many outside the hippy subculture from which it sprang. This movement was rooted in the plain, unadorned teachings of the Bible and emphasized turning away from sin to uncompromising faith in, submission to, and relationship with Jesus Christ. Its original foot soldiers — often living in communal households, reeking of patchouli oil, and wearing beads and

bell bottoms — walked the beaches, boardwalks, and streets of Southern California passing out tracts and inviting people to religious worship, evangelistic services, Bible studies, coffee houses, and baptisms.

This movement jumped over boundaries of race, denomination, political ideology, lifestyle preferences, and social class to unite millions in a common faith as it expanded and, at times, exploded old forms of worship — not to mention that it gave us what we now think of as contemporary Christian music.

This startling evangelical revolution, which focused heavily on disaffected young people destroying themselves in the vain pursuit of liberation and authenticity, emerged in a nation that was deeply divided over everything. The cultural fabric had been seriously weakened by other revolutions, such as sexual, divorce, and the New Left. Intractable conflicts over race and civil rights, feminism, busing, and integration played out on the streets. Headlines regularly highlighted the depredations of violent groups like the Weather Underground, the Symbionese Liberation Army, and the Black Panthers.

Campuses convulsed with protests, culminating in the accidental shooting of four by National Guardsmen at Kent State in 1970, which is memorialized in Crosby, Stills, Nash, and Young's famous song. In full color, Americans watched young men die in a war that most people had come to doubt we would win. Draft cards were being burned, and thousands of young men fled to Canada. Millions of young people were on drugs, which kept penetrating schools at younger levels. Terrible urban riots marked too many "long, hot summers." The worst were those following the assassination of Martin Luther King in 1968, which one commentator called "the greatest wave of social unrest since the Civil War." This came on the heels of over 150 race riots the summer before.

The world seemed to be constantly on the brink of nuclear disaster and was certainly marked by tensions ever-ready to boil over, including the omnipresent Cold War and the expansion of

Communism. At the end of the decade, the lunar landing brought Americans together and gave us a much-needed shot of national pride — but not much and not for long.

What would have happened to America but for the Jesus Revolution?

As Josiah (DeVon Franklin), a Time journalist covering the movement, says in the film: "Our country is a dark and divided place, but now there's hope. And it's spreading."

Many historians, including one of my atheist professors in graduate school, argued that the evangelical movement in England in the 1700s had prevented disaster in the face of serious social decline, inoculating it against the curse of the French Revolution. Scholars could make an equally compelling argument for the impact of the Jesus Revolution.

Millions of people were desperate because of the conditions of their own lives or the realistic fears they harbored about their children, families, society, and world. Suddenly, in the midst of their hopelessness, unlikely people were aggressively reaching out to lost and troubled youth and young adults with a saving message expressed in a language they understood.

Untrained newbies barely established in the Christian life themselves worked alongside seasoned believers to share hard truths with lost people. Then, they did whatever it took to help them live out these truths when and if they made the decision to turn from the paths they were on.

Folks on all sides who came together over Jesus had to overcome deeply engrained prejudices, animosities, traditions, and habits. A lot of lives were turned upside down as the walls came down — not instantly or easily, but steadily and surely. This was a new kind of "radical" for a period worn out by radicalism: radical grace, radical forgiveness, radical love, and radical obedience to the plain text of the Bible.

Jesus Revolution does an excellent job portraying all this without schmaltz or gimmicks. I lived through these times and came to Christ myself through the ministry of mostly ex-hippy art students living

together in "covenant households." Watching this film, I found myself reaching for the hanky — not just because of what I was seeing but because of what I was remembering. An old friend and former bandmate of mine told me that he and his wife had the same experience. We know where we would have been but for the Jesus Movement. Before seeing the movie, it seemed odd to me that Kelsey Grammer, a guy about the same age as I am, kept choking up in interviews about this film. It does not seem odd to me now.

Were there serious problems in this movement? Of course, and the film addresses obvious ones: theatrics, an unhealthy obsession with miracles and the spectacular, and too many gifted but untested leaders. Inadequately prepared potential leaders were given too much responsibility too soon, and some fell prey to their own egos and the adulation of admirers, as is evident in the breakdown of Lonnie Frisbee and his relationship with Chuck Smith.

Not addressed in the film was the role of "end times" speculation fueled by events in the Middle East. Students of biblical prophecy in the Jesus Movement interpreted these events to signal an imminent Second Coming, exemplified by the wildly popular 1970 Hal Lindsey book, The Late Great Planet Earth. And in the rush to, as they often said, "make sure there were new wineskins for the new wine" (Mark 2:22; Matthew 9:17), traditional forms of worship and classic hymns were discarded too quickly and thoughtlessly.

Yet millions "saved" through this movement persevered through these difficulties, made corrections, learned, and moved on in the faith. We already see that dynamic in the film in the early stages of the remarkable biography of Greg Laurie, who ultimately became intimately connected with Billy Graham, a powerful senior statesman of evangelicalism who thankfully embraced and supported the Jesus Movement without ignoring its foibles.

So why is this film such an unlikely success? There are no simple answers to questions like this, but I would like to

hazard one, which I think is also connected to the remarkable phenomena that just unfolded in rural Kentucky: Jesus Revolution speaks to our nation at a time at least as, if not more, divided, hopeless, and troubled than the era of Jefferson Airplane, Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix, and Jim Morrison.

Drug epidemics and overdoses rage, penetrating every racial group and social class, while suicides, mental illnesses, and sexual and gender confusion among young people climb. Social media makes us sicker and more divided as people retreat to echo chambers when they are not shouting, denouncing, or "canceling" those with whom they disagree. Educational institutions are increasingly Orwellian ideological training centers rather than places dedicated to communicating true knowledge and literacy. Young people are abandoning religion — not for atheism but for vague personal spirituality that is little more than repackaged ancient paganism. Elites in and out of government keep lying to and manipulating us. We cannot trust our FBI or intelligence services, and now even the venerable CDC has betrayed us.

Trust in our major social institutions has hit new lows, and rightly so. Urban race riots returned with a vengeance in 2020, along with now-chronic violence in cities where woke politicians are no longer able to put public safety ahead of ideology and businesses cannot protect the wares on their shelves from shoplifters and flash mobs.

The international scene looks less stable and more dangerous than it appeared 50 years ago. Will China invade Taiwan? Will Putin or Kim Jong-un launch nukes? Will the brutal invasion of Ukraine draw us into World War III? The reservoirs of strength available to us half of a century ago, which Nixon accurately called "the silent majority" in 1969, are grossly depleted. Our brokenness extends across the political, ideological, and cultural spectrum.

For many of us baby boomers influenced by the Jesus Movement, the hope we felt through our first "born again"

president — and then on through the Reagan years and beyond — is now replaced by disappointment, cynicism, and fear. Those of younger generations vacillate between focusing on personal material welfare, comfort, and safety and getting caught up in social justice causes and tribal identities with simplistic views of reality rooted more in slogans and emotions than facts and logic. Historically low marriage and birth rates in our nation are poignant evidence of young people allergic to commitment — but perhaps even more just paralyzed by fear, mistrust, and lack of confidence about the future. At least hippies were searching for "truth"; millennials and beyond increasingly do not believe it exists anywhere beyond their own preferences.

While political and cultural engagement is more vital than ever, no political or cultural fix we can engineer is likely to turn things around. Increasingly, many Americans are coming to believe that, if our civilization is to survive — if Baby Boomers and their children are going to have any hope in a good society for themselves and their progeny — the answer must come from outside of us, from above.

Our hope is not in ballot boxes, lobbying, marches, or media campaigns, important as they are. But the answer will be found on our knees and in face-to-face faith communities across denominations and churches renewed, revitalized, and refreshed by God himself doing for us what we cannot hope to do for ourselves.

Are Jesus Revolution, the overwhelmingly positive public response to it, and events like these recent religious awakenings positive harbingers of a fresh spiritual revitalization of America? Are we in the darkness before a glorious new dawn? Whether you are a person of faith or not, you should hope so. Because if this does not happen — and soon — well, God help us.

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New Hocking Hills Butterfly Trail Educates And Entertains Visitors, Fosters Pollinator Wellbeing

The Hocking Hills region of southeast Ohio has just unveiled its new Butterfly Trail. Designed to educate visitors about the importance of pollinators, while offering one-of-a-kind experiences, the Hocking Hills Butterfly Trail is a project of Logan in Bloom with support from Hocking Hills Tourism Association. Outlined on both a colorful map and a passport, the trail includes 14 locations, each featuring a gorgeous pair of human-sized butterfly wings replicating a different butterfly found in the region. These “selfie stations” give visitors a colorful way to take home memories from each stop while learning all about the featured butterfly, including its habitat and food sources. Created from actual photographs of each species, the massive wings accurately depict the butterfly species they represent. The wing stations are open to the public sunrise to sunset, unless otherwise noted on the Butterfly Trail map.

“Hocking Hills Butterfly Trail encourages stewardship of our natural areas by demonstrating how important pollinators are to the wellbeing of the very thing visitors come to here to experience: nature and wildlife,” said Explore Hocking Hills Executive Director Karen Raymore. “A diverse group of partners came together to implement the trail, creating outstanding visitor experiences that educate while making each stop fun and interactive.”

In addition to photo ops and education, two stops on the trail offer visitors unforgettable hands-on opportunities for a deeper dive into local pollinators. The monarch waystation and butterfly garden at Hocking Hills Regional

Welcome Center offers travelers the chance to witness the entire lifecycle of monarchs, from young caterpillars feeding (May-August) to their becoming chrysalides and finally, emerging as monarchs (late August-October). Guests can then take part in monarch migration research, tagging and releasing the butterflies as they begin their migration to Mexico. At Butterfly Ridge Conservation Center, guided hikes traverse 21 acres of native pollinator-friendly prairie, forest and gardens. There are workshops, tools and even seeds available to help visitors create butterfly habitat at home. After-dark moth lighting events take visitors on a one-of-a-kind safari every second-fourth Saturday, June-August.

The printable map, passport and bonus butterfly coloring book pages further add the experience. Travelers are urged to visit explorehockinghills.com/hocking-hills-butterfly-trail/ before heading to the Hocking Hills to download their map and passport. Both are also available at the Regional Welcome Center, 13178 State Route 664 S. in Logan, along with a special butterfly trail sticker. Visitors are also urged to join in the educational mission of the trail by sharing their Butterfly Trail photos on social media with the hashtag: #hockinghillsbutterfly-trail.

The 14 featured butterflies and their stops include:

1. Monarch, Hocking Hills Regional Welcome Center, Monarch Waystation #20927
2. Great spangled fritillary, Capital University Primmer Outdoor Learning Center
3. Orange sulfur, Hocking Valley Commu-

nity Hospital

4. Silver-spotted skipper, Worthington Park
5. Clouded sulfur, The Bowen House
6. Red admiral, Hocking County Historical and Genealogical Society
7. Pipevine swallowtail, Hocking Soil & Water Conservation District, Hocking County Fairgrounds
8. Viceroy, City of Logan Community Garden
9. Red-spotted purple, Logan High School
10. Pearl crescent, Chieftain Elementary School
11. Hackberry emperor, Rockbridge State Nature Preserve
12. Eastern Tiger swallowtail, Appalachia Ohio Alliance Conservation Demonstration Site
13. Spicebush Swallowtail, Bishop Educational Gardens
14. Eastern comma, Butterfly Ridge

Located 40 miles southeast of Columbus, Ohio, Hocking Hills offers once-in-a-lifetime experiences that make every day feel like Saturday, with plenty of Admission: FREE activities, including the John Glenn Astronomy Park. The region boasts a wide variety of affordable lodging, from glamping, cabins, cottages and luxe woodland lodges to hotels and inns. In addition to hiking trails, parks and forests, the Hocking Hills offers rappelling, guided hikes, kayaking, boat rentals, off-road segway tours and zipline canopy tours. Stellar stargazing at the John Glenn Astronomy Park, unique galleries, gift and antique shops; canoeing; horseback riding; birding; fishing; spas and more add to the allure of Hocking Hills as the perfect place to unplug. Complete traveler information is available ExploreHockingHills.com or 1-800-Hocking (800-462-5464).

Wyandotte Caves Reopen For Summer Tours Memorial Day Weekend

The caves at Wyandotte Caves State Recreation Area (SRA) in Crawford County will re-open for fee-based, guided cave tours on May 27, the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend. The tours will be offered on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays through Labor Day, Sept. 4.

Wyandotte Caves SRA is managed by nearby O'Bannon Woods State Park and is home to Little Wyandotte and Big Wyandotte caves.

In 2009, state officials closed Wyandotte and all other caves, tunnels, sinkholes, and abandoned mines on DNR properties in an attempt to slow the westward movement of white nose syndrome (WNS), a disease that kills bats.

The caves reopened in 2016 during Indiana State Parks' Centennial Celebration with decontamination protocols in place for guests to reduce the possible movement of WNS to other caves. The caves were closed again in 2020 as part of DNR's COVID-19 pandemic precautions.

Big Wyandotte Cave will close to tours after Labor Day weekend because it is a significant overwintering refuge for Indiana bats. Little Wyandotte Cave will remain open in September and October for scheduled tours with school and other groups.

“We are looking forward to introducing a new generation of visi-

tors to this unique cave system and its features while remembering the significance of this site as a winter hibernating location for the federally endangered Indiana bat,” said Terry Coleman, director of Indiana State Parks.

The two types of tours offered mirror the schedule followed before the pandemic, and fees remain the same as they were in 2016-2019.

Big Wyandotte Cave tours will be offered at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday or by reservation Monday through Thursday for children ages 6-11 and adults 12 and older. The huge underground “Monument Mountain” is a highlight of this 1.5-mile trip through the deeper sections of Big Wyandotte Cave. Rare formations called helicitities, plus gypsum, epsomite, and prehistoric flint quarries add variety. Tours of Big Wyandotte are considered rugged and are available only to visitors ages 6 and older.

Big Wyandotte Cave Tour Fees:

- Big Wyandotte Two-Hour Tour - Adult \$18
- Big Wyandotte Two-Hour Tour Ages 6-11 \$9
- Big Wyandotte Two-Hour Tour (Prearranged Group-Adults) \$14
- Big Wyandotte Two-Hour Tour (Prearranged Group-Students) \$8

Little Wyandotte tours start at 9 a.m. and are available every half-hour until 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday or by reservation Monday through Thursday for groups. Little Wyandotte Cave is smaller and totally separated from Big Wyandotte Cave. It offers a comprehensive view of many flowstone and dripstone formations on the 30-minute tour. Sometimes cave-dwelling species can also be seen. Tours of Little Wyandotte Cave are considered easy and are open to all ages.

Little Wyandotte Cave Tour Fees:

- Little Wyandotte Tour - Adult \$8
- Little Wyandotte Tour - Children \$4
- Little Wyandotte Tour - 6 years old or under Free
- Little Wyandotte Tour - Prearranged Group \$3

For clarification, a prearranged group is defined as 10 or more participants from an educational institution or nonprofit.

To make reservations for a group, please call the park office at 812-738-8232.

Learn more about O'Bannon Woods and Wyandotte Caves at on.IN.gov/obannon-woodssp.

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