

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 43:18-19 Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland. (NIV)

➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Ashlie Clark smiles brightly from Ivy Tech. Thank you for your smile!

➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 The Montgomery County Master Gardeners' Plant Sale & Show is set this year for Saturday on the 4-H grounds in Crawfordsville next Saturday, April 29, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. In addition to a wide range of plants, Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer gardening questions. This year nine booths will be on premise to accentuate your plant buying. The vendors will have available specialty plants, along with information on several of the non-profit organizations serving Montgomery County and a local food truck. Nucor will be giving away free trees in the 4-H barn. To learn more about Montgomery County Master Gardeners please visit their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/Growingtogether2 or email montcoinemg@gmail.com .

2 A run for the ages? That's the way it might shake out if this turns into a rematch between President Joe Biden and former President Donald Trump. If one of those two win, they will be in their 80s by the time their term ends. Biden was born on Nov. 20, 1942 and Trump on June 14, 1946. Of course this doesn't take into account a recent poll that says the majority of Americans don't want to see a rematch. Stay tuned.

3 Thanks to a crappy weather forecast, Sunday's 70th Anniversary Hoosier Hundred at Lucas Oil Indianapolis Raceway Park has been postponed to Friday, May 26th - joining the Carb Night Classic. The Hoosier Hundred will now become a points-paying Silver Crown race and remain at the 100-mile, 146-lap distance on May 26th, featuring a winner's share of \$25,000 and a total purse of \$92,000.

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What's So Bad About Benzene?



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

When hazardous waste from the East Palestine train derailment ended up in Roachdale, locals turned to the League of Women Voters for some insight on the decision to import the waste. Since the waste needed to be handled by a qualified company, and officials, as well as scientists, determined that the company was qualified, it didn't seem the League's climate team had any additional insights to offer.

The concern of citizens matters, however. Our citizens are attentive and ask good questions.

Then just weeks later, the massive fire in Richmond, Indiana, exposed people to highly toxic chemicals, including benzene and vinyl chloride, two chemicals common in crude oil, gasoline, cigarette smoke, plastics, resins, nylon, synthetic fabrics, motor vehicle exhaust, and industrial emissions. Benzene, which the CDC and WHO both say there is no safe level of exposure to, is also found in some lubricants, rubbers, drugs,

detergents, and pesticides. It's found in the air around gas stations. We breathe a bit in when drivers of gas-powered vehicles gun their engines, burn rubber, and belch exhaust from their tailpipes.

In Richmond, two thousand residents were moved, medical offices closed, and surgeries postponed, as the IndyStar noted because so many toxic chemicals were detected in the air after the plastics at the recycling factory burned.

The factory's fire prevention systems were a fire code disaster, and the fire could have been prevented, but also, we citizens can take action to reduce such a disaster by reducing our plastic usage, and the need to recycle plastic, which is a forever product. Plastic does not break down. It breaks up into particles and polymers. It ends up in the air, the water, the meat that many eat, and ultimately in our bodies. When it's created, recycled, or burned for energy, the chemicals emitted whittle away at our health.

What's so bad about benzene, since it ranks in the top twenty chemicals in production volume in the US? According to the CDC, it works against us by causing cells to work improperly. It can cause bone marrow to fail to produce enough red blood cells, leading to anemia. It can

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Can We Pump Brakes When It Comes To Children?



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

Let me be clear - I don't give a damn if someone is straight, gay, bi, trans

or any of the other adjectives we toss about so casually these days.

I. Don't. Give. A. Damn. What you do in the privacy of your life is between you, anyone who may be with you and God. I am nowhere in that equation, nor do I want to be.

But when it comes to children, well, that's a whole different story.

Let me be equally clear - any adult - parent, relative, friend or whatever - who encourages any sort of thought or action regarding what gender a kid is should be identified as a child abuser and dealt with accordingly.

Perhaps they need counseling? Perhaps they need law enforcement.

That answer is for others to figure out.

What does not need figuring out - what should be as plain as the nose on a face - is that kids are not fodder in this ridiculous political mish-mash. Actually, I don't know how the entire idea of men becoming women is a discussion. I don't understand how women, who fought for equal rights when I was in school, are OK with allowing men to not just step into, but start taking over their world. I don't know how anyone with half a brain can wrap their heads around the idea that we can actually change our sex.

But just because I don't know does not give me the right to tell you what you can or cannot do. If you want to be something you're not . . . knock yourself out. It's your life. Do with it as you will. If I agree or disagree matters not even a little.

Not the same when it comes to kids.

To borrow from the immortal Shakespeare, ay, there's the rub. Because the folks who work in Madison Avenue

Profile of Marley 2023 #4

The Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau, JUMP program has plenty of kids on the waiting list. They are hoping to be matched with an adult to spend time together and do fun things. But what most people don't know, it that mentoring is a fun, learning experience for adults as well. Studies show that adults who mentor are more active and healthier because they are getting out and doing more activities and they absolutely learn and grow from spending time with their mentee! Mentoring is a win/win for everyone!

Currently, the JUMP program is running 6 weekly profiles on the kids on the waiting list. Their names and ages have been changed slightly to protect their privacy. The following is a profile on a girl named Marley.

Marley is a 12-year-old girl who is part of a large family. Her mom says Marley gets along good with her family and really tries hard to help out and be kind. She has a good attitude at home and at school. She is smart, cheerful and always smiling. Her mom says she likes to draw, ride a bike, go to parks,

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:48 a.m.
SET: 8:34 p.m.

High/Low
Temperatures
High: 60 °F
Low: 35 °F

Today is...
• Alien Day
• Denim Day

What Happened On This Day
• 1994 Germany makes Holocaust denial illegal.
• 1986 The worst nuclear disaster in history occurs in Chernobyl.

Births On This Day
• 121 Marcus Aurelius Roman Emperor
• 1822 Frederick Law Olmsted
American journalist, landscape designer, co-designed Central Park

Deaths On This Day
• 1989 Lucille Ball American actress
• 1984 Count Basie American pianist, bandleader, composer

Waynetown Man Arrested On Alleged 2 Charges Of Child Exploitation

Connor Emerson, of Waynetown, was arrested and booked into the Montgomery County Jail on two charges of Child Exploitation, Level 4 Felonies. The arrest was carried out by a joining of Montgomery County I.C.A.C Task Force, members of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Crawfordsville Police Department, Boone County C.A.S.E Unit, Waynetown Town Marshal and the Federal Bureau of Investigations after having served two search warrants.

The investigation began when the FBI reached out to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office regarding a suspect at the residence who had allegedly disseminated large amounts of child pornography earlier in

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➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you're between the ages of 65 and 75 and have ever smoked cigarettes, have an ultrasound to check for an abdominal aortic aneurysm. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



➔ OBITUARIES

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➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Go as far as you can see; when you get there, you'll be able to see further."
-Thomas Carlyle

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

Why do spiders stay in the house? Because they can do everything on the web.

13 WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

41/80 WARM AND BREEZY	56/82 WARM, STORM CHANCE LATE	54/65 WET START, P.M. SUNT.	45/48 DAMP, CHILLY, BREEZY	36/45 CHILLY WITH MISTED SHOWERS POSSIBLE	33/54 STILL CHILLY	38/59 NOT AS COLD
WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE

OBITUARIES

Rosemarie (Waddell) Koebcke
October 27, 1957, Saturday, April 22, 2023

Rosemarie (Waddell) Koebcke, age 65 of New Richmond, passed away on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at IU Health Arnett in Lafayette. She was born in Crawfordsville on October 27, 1957 to the late Cecil I. & Marjorie Ann (Lee) Waddell.



Rosemarie graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 1975. Throughout the years she worked at several different jobs, was a cook at several cafeteria's and owned and operated Kup's Cracker Barrel in Waynetown for several years. She loved playing Euchre and spending time with her nieces and nephews.

She married Roger Max Koebcke in May of 1990 and he preceded her in death on November 8, 2004. She is also preceded in death by a brother, Raymond Waddell; a sister, Dorothy Emerson; a niece, Donna Emerson; and an aunt, Waneta Lee.

She is survived by her three brothers, Terry Paxton of Crawfordsville, Paul Waddell of Waveland, and Roger Waddell of New Richmond; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be at Sanders Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S Washington St, in Crawfordsville on Saturday, April 29, 2023 from 11:00am till the time of the funeral service at 1:00pm with Rev. Everett Davenport officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill North Cemetery. Share memories and condolences online at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

Police Officers Receive Top Honors For Drug Recognition Work ICJI DRE Awards

The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) recently honored a select group of police officers for their efforts in reducing impaired driving and making Indiana roads safer. The officers recognized, 23 in total, are part of the state's Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) program.

DREs receive specialized training to recognize impairment in drivers under the influence of drugs. Because of their training, they are often called upon by law enforcement to assist with traffic stops with the goal of keeping impaired drivers off the road.

The DREs were recognized during the Indiana Traffic Safety Conference, celebrating the officers after the eighth annual awards ceremony that took place in March. The awards ceremony was hosted by the Indiana Farmers Coliseum at the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

During the March event, the following awards were presented: (20) Longevity Awards, (2) DRE Performance Awards, the Officer David Moore DRE of the Year Award and the Lt. Gary Dudley DRE Instructor of the Year Award.

"It is an honor to acknowledge the crucial role that these officers play in ensuring the safety of our roads and communities," stated Devon McDonald, Executive Director of ICJI. "Their top priority is to prevent drug-impaired drivers from endangering

lives on the road."

The 2022 DRE of the Year Award, named after fallen Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department Officer David Moore, was presented to Crawfordsville Police Department's Lieutenant Matt Schroeter. Lieutenant Schroeter is a 17 year veteran of the Crawfordsville PD, and has focused large portion of his career on impaired driving.

He completed his Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) certification in 2019 and became a certified DRE in 2020. Lieutenant Schroeter was presented the DRE Performance Award for the year 2021 and became a certified DRE Instructor in 2022.

"Being a drug recognition expert is more than just a job; it is a calling," stated Jim Bryan, Traffic Safety Director at ICJI. "These experts are frequently faced with challenging situations where drivers may be under the influence of one or more illegal substances. The diligent work of each DRE to conduct thorough evaluations is essential to ensuring safety on the roads."

"The officers involved in the DRE program do not seek recognition for their efforts," explained Marshall Depew, Indiana DRE Program Coordinator. "Their goal is to equip themselves and their colleagues with the necessary skills to keep all road users safe from harm."

Baird Leads Bipartisan Effort To Prioritize Rural Broadband Access

Today, Congressman Jim Baird (IN-04) introduced a resolution emphasizing the need to invest in broadband expansion.

"As Congress continues to make legislative decisions and prepare for the 2023 Farm Bill, we must ensure that rural America does not get left behind by securing reliable broadband access for the millions of Americans who rely on the Internet to work and learn," said Congressman Baird. "Zip codes should not determine access to high-speed Internet, yet that is the unfortunate reality for many Hoosiers across Indiana's 4th Congressional District, and I'm committed to reaching across the aisle so we bridge this digital divide in education, healthcare, manufacturing, and agriculture."

"High-speed broadband is critical for rural America's growth and prosperity, yet many of our neighbors are unable to obtain reliable Internet access. I remain committed to improving

internet speeds for schools, homes, doctors' offices, and businesses, which will bring new economic development opportunities to our communities, especially in South Texas," said Congressman Cuellar. "I thank my colleague, Congressman Baird, for working with me across party lines to close the digital divide between urban and rural America. The Rural Broadband Resolution will enable rural communities to fully participate in the modern economy."

Background: Downloads, video streaming, and many common digital activities require high-speed internet connections. According to a 2020 report from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), 22.3 percent of rural Americans lack access to 25 Mbps/3Mbps service, which is the FCC's minimum standard for broadband internet. Conversely, only 1.5 percent of urban Americans are without access to these same speeds.

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Physician Non Competes, Unlawful Tracking Heading For Governor's Desk

By Whitney Downard
Indiana Capital Chronicle

Lawmakers sent several bills to Gov. Eric Holcomb's desk on Monday following chamber actions on concurrence votes and conference committees.

By law, the General Assembly must conclude the legislative session by Saturday and finalize the state's two-year budget. Any bills that don't cross the finish line in the coming days will be dead for the year.

Health care bills going to Holcomb's desk

Hospitals systems will no longer be able to require non-compete agreements in their physician contracts – at least for primary care doctors.

Science of reading coming to a desk near you!

Also on Monday, the House unanimously approved a bill establishing grant funding to implement the "science of reading" method of learning.

The opposing chamber added additional literacy language and removed the attached funding but bill author Rep. Jake Teshka, R-South Bend, said he believed it would be restored in the final budget.

"I believe the most consequential (bill this year) will be opening doors to Hoosiers through reading," Teshka said from the floor.

The bill passed 95-0.

The original bill, Senate Bill 7, included all physicians but was narrowed after pushback from health care system lobbyists who said it would hurt their retention of specialty doctors in rural areas.

Seven senators voted against it, five of whom serve on the Senate health committee, but it wasn't enough to defeat the measure. Physicians have lamented non-compete agreements for limiting where they can practice, even after they finish their contract with a health care system, saying it pushes

doctors out of Indiana.

Another priority bill – this time from the House – survived despite seven 'no' votes and now moves to the governor's desk to potentially become law.

House Bill 1006 is designed to allow Hoosiers experiencing a mental health crisis to get treatment in a local hospital rather than in prison or jail. Currently, the Indiana Department of Correction is the state's largest mental health provider.

"(This bill is) trying to ensure that those who are mentally ill are not in our jails," Sen. Aaron Freeman, R-Indianapolis, said.

Previously the bill passed both chambers unanimously and the latest version – the results of a collaborative effort from representatives from both sides – passed the House without any opposition.

However, Sen. Greg Taylor had concerns about a recent language addition about cross examining doctors involved in evaluations and he – along with a bipartisan group of six other senators – voted against the bill.

"Millie's Law" is almost law

Both chambers on Monday approved a final version of legislation criminalizing non-consensual tracking, sending it to Holcomb. Lawmakers said they were inspired by an Indiana woman named Millie Parke, who was tracked and then violently attacked by an ex-boyfriend.

Senate Bill 1 adds planting a tracking device on someone or their property without consent to the definition of "unlawful surveillance," a Class A misdemeanor that can rise to a Level 6 felony in specific circumstances – in addition to several other related provisions.

The proposal previously survived repeated, lengthy debate over its details, including a list

of exceptions: for law enforcement, incarcerated and convicted people, family members, property, car manufacturers and electronic communications companies.

Both chambers moved the finalized version – which contained minor technical changes – unanimously: the House, 92-0, and the Senate, 45-0.

Gas tax out following meeting

Though lawmakers held over two dozen conference committees, few lasted longer than five minutes, obscuring the behind-the-scenes negotiations. One exception was House Bill 1050.

Lawmakers briefly tucked a one-year extension of the annual one-penny gasoline tax hike inside the 90-page House Bill 1050. That increase usually brings in about \$30 million annually.

On Monday, a conference committee said it planned to strip the provision back out – one of several changes mentioned.

Chair and bill author Jim Pressel, R-Rolling Prairie, said the final version would incorporate House Bill 1156, which contains other motor vehicle-related changes.

Language outlawing local ordinances – only in Indianapolis – that ban right turns on red lights remained. The provision has drawn outrage from pedestrian and cyclist safety advocates, as well as some state and local Democrats.

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Rokita Drops Attempt To Reopen Bernard Lawsuit Ahead Of Doctor's Licensing Hearing

By Casey Smith
Indiana Capital Chronicle

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita will abandon his attempt to reopen a lawsuit filed against himself by Indianapolis OB-GYN Dr. Caitlin Bernard, court documents show.

Rokita had sought to revive the case in order to challenge and correct "errors" in a previous ruling.

But in a withdrawal notice sent to the court on Friday, Rokita said a ruling on his earlier motion to reopen the lawsuit "is not necessary," pointing to courtroom statements by Bernard's lawyers at a hearing earlier this month.

Rokita emphasized that – according to Bernard's counsel – the earlier court order is not binding. And because the doctor voluntarily dismissed the case, the lawsuit overall must be treated as if it was "never filed" and "never existed."

Circuit Court Judge Amber Collins-Gebrehiet said earlier this month that she would only consider whether to reopen Bernard's case. If she decided in Rokita's favor, Collins-Gebrehiet said debate over a motion to "reconsider and correct error" should be heard by Marion County Superior Court Judge Heather Welch, who made that ruling.

The matter stems from an ongoing legal saga surrounding Bernard, who last year oversaw a medication abortion for a 10-year-old rape victim from Ohio.

Bernard sued to stop Rokita's office from obtaining certain patient records related to her care for the 10-year-old, who sought an abortion in Indiana after her pregnancy progressed beyond the 6-week cutoff in Ohio. Bernard's legal team voluntarily dismissed the case after it transitioned to an administrative licensing action before the Indiana Medical Licensing Board, scheduled to be heard next month. The court officially dismissed the case Nov. 12.

But Rokita filed to reopen it Jan. 9 to refute Welch's finding that he violated state confidentiality laws.

A court ruling from that case said that Rokita violated the law during a televised appearance in which he called the healthcare provider an "abortion activist acting as a doctor." In court filings, Rokita called the judge's order an "erroneous finding."

The attorney general highlighted in his Friday notice that Bernard's lawyers amounted Welch's statements to "dicta" – meaning the written opinion about Rokita is more

akin to commentary, not legal reasoning to make a judgment in the case.

Rokita is likely to make similar references to statements made by Bernard's lawyer as the legal fight continues – this time before the Indiana Medical Licensing Board.

Bernard is scheduled to appear May 25 in front of the board, which will weigh whether the doctor violated professional standards. A pre-hearing conference is set for Thursday.

In the latest filings with the state licensing board, Bernard continues to maintain that her public comments about the 10-year-old's case were within the bounds of medical privacy rules. She also argues that she "could not" have knowingly violated Indiana's child abuse reporting law because her notification to authorities was consistent with policies in place at IU Health, where she practices.

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How You Can Trim Expenses To Save For What Matters Most

(StatePoint) Whether you're saving to buy a home, putting money in your child's college fund or just trying to cover higher costs for necessities, you may be looking for ways to keep more money in your wallet so you can spend on the things that matter most. And you're not alone.

In fact, a recent national survey from Experian found that 66% of respondents are actively looking for ways to trim expenses from their monthly budget.

There is no better time than the present to get started. The basics of saving money lay a great foundation for stretching your dollars and taking control of your finances.

This includes budgeting, paying off debt, establishing savings goals, automating savings and cutting back on unnecessary expenses.

However, you may not know there are other less obvious ways to keep more money in your wallet. Don't leave money on the table, here are three creative ways to save more now:

- Shop around to save on monthly bills: Most people spend time shopping around for a new TV or other purchase to get the best price, but overlook the opportunity to save by comparing monthly bill providers. Experian has an auto insurance comparison shopping service

that can help you potentially save up to \$900 per year on your policy. The service provides you with multiple, tailored rates from up to 40 leading and well-established auto insurance carriers, allowing you to find a policy that meets your needs.

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- Try negotiating rates: Negotiating monthly bills is crucial for finding extra savings. Take a look at your payment terms and plans to see if you can renegotiate for lower rates on expenses like cable or cell service. If you feel that calling service providers is tedious and time consuming, there are services that can help. A new feature available in a paid Experian CreditWorks Premium Membership negotiates lower rates on eligible monthly bills on your behalf so you can stop overpaying. Those who use this feature see an average savings of \$263. If you'd like to negotiate directly with your provider, make sure you ask them

about all the offers they are willing to extend to you so you know all your options and get the new, accepted offer in writing.

"Even when times aren't tough, it is always good to practice budgeting and money-saving habits to position yourself in the best way possible before you need it," said Andrea Woroch, a nationally recognized consumer finance and money-saving expert. "Tapping into these tools from Experian can help you save in ways you may not have been aware of and help you keep your finances on track now and in the future."

There are more ways Woroch recommends to save, including reducing your monthly spend on debt by consolidating credit card debt to a 0% balance transfer card and avoiding impulse shopping by deleting payment and shipping details stored in online retail accounts, as well as unsubscribing from store emails. To be more strategic at the grocery store and cut wasteful purchases, you might also consider meal planning.

To learn more about saving and Experian resources, visit Experian.com/savings.

It's always important to find ways to save. Leveraging available tools and being strategic can help you get control of your expenses and keep more money in your wallet.

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

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

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

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

Crisafulli has assisted people in selling such keepsakes as a grandparent's autograph collection and an uncle's childhood baseball cards, for tens of thousands of dollars. In one life-changing event, he helped a family determine that a baseball bat that spent decades protecting their home was used by Hall of Famer Lou Gehrig -- and Love of the Game Auctions sold it for almost half a million dollars. Today, that bat could bring more than a million dollars.

The key is understand-

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

Older is Usually Pricier

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

If you have very old cards from the 1880s through the 1930s, look for tobacco, gum and candy brands, such as Old Judge, Piedmont, Sweet Caporal, Goudey or American Caramel.

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

Postcards and Photographs

We all have keepsakes of vacation destinations, but most aren't valuable. However, photographs and postcards depicting sports stars and ballparks can be significant. Look for early "real photo" postcards

from the 1900s through the 1940s, which are photographs printed on postcard backs.

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

Memorabilia

Set aside old advertising posters depicting sports stars and food, tobacco or sporting goods brands. Ads from magazines aren't valuable, but those used as store displays and for other marketing purposes can be pricey. Tin signs from the 1960 and earlier can be highly prized, but reproductions aren't.

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

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

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

Thanks for reading The Paper!

PUBLIC NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURT
 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY) CAUSE NO. 54C01230MI000273
 IN RE THE MATTER OF:
 Alexandria Kay Hieston
 Petitioner

ORDER SETTING HEARING

Comes now Alexandria Kay Hieston, having filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name, and the Court finds that the matter should be set for hearing. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this matter shall be heard on 6/27/2023 @ 1:30pm

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN FOUNTAIN CIRCUIT COURT
))
 FOUNTAIN COUNTY) CAUSE NO. 23C01-2303-EU-000015
 IN THE MATTER OF THE)
 UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
 EDWIN H. FRANKLIN, Dec.)

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on April 2, 2023, Nancy Jane Franklin was appointed Personal Representatives of the estate of Edwin H. Franklin, deceased, who died on February 16, 2023, in Fountain County, Indiana.

All person having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Covington, Indiana, this 3rd day of April, 2023.

Patty Smith
 Clerk of the Fountain County Courts

Attorney for Estate:
 WILLIAM A. GOEBEL
 118 E. Main St., Ste. 300
 Crawfordsville, IN 47933
 (765) 364-9499

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City of Crawfordsville, Indiana
Notice to Taxpayers of Additional Appropriation

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, Indiana that the Crawfordsville Common Council will consider the following additional appropriations more than the budget for the current year at its regular meeting place, Council Chambers, 2nd floor, City Building, 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana, at 6 o'clock P.M., on the 8th day of May, 2023.

Amount	From	To
\$682,200.00	Fund 176.999 ARP COVID Response Grant Unappropriated	176.000.300 (Infrastructure) Appropriated
\$200,000.00	Fund 176.999 ARP COVID Response Grant Unappropriated	176.000.310 (Children and Youth) Appropriated
\$535,000.00	Fund 176.999 ARP COVID Response Grant Unappropriated	176.000.312 (Tourism Support) Appropriated
\$150,000.00	Fund 176.999 ARP COVID Response Grant Unappropriated	176.000.317 (Assistance to Household - Court Participants) Appropriated

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting will have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance. The Department will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within 15 days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action taken. If you require accommodations to this meeting, please call 364-5152.

Dated: 19 April 2023
 /s/ Terri Gadd
 Terri Gadd, City Clerk-Treasurer

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TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54D01-2203-MF-000147 wherein U.S. Bank National Association was Plaintiff, and The Unknown Heirs at Law of Tonya L. Hubble a/k/a Tonya L. Thompson, deceased, was Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 14th day of June, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana.

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

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

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

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Sheriff of Montgomery County

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City of Crawfordsville, Indiana
Notice of Adoption of Annexation Ordinance

Notice is hereby given that on April 10, 2023, the City of Crawfordsville Common Council adopted Ordinance 11-2023, "An Ordinance to Annex Properties Known as approximately 47.403 acres located at 164 W. State Road 32 (parcel number 54-10-06-400-016.000-027) and the associated right-of-way."

The Ordinance annexes into the City of Crawfordsville approximately 47.403 total acres located at 164 W. State Road 32. The territory consists of one parcel, currently used as a wooded lot and abandoned home. The parcel's record owner is William Shortz. A map depicting the territory is attached to the Ordinance. Upon the annexation taking effect, the 47.403 acres of real estate located at 164 W. State Road 32 (parcel number 54-10-06-400-016.000-027) will be zoned "C-1, Conservation." The Ordinance will take effect 30 days after its adoption and upon proper filing and recording.

The Ordinance may be examined at the office of the City of Crawfordsville Clerk-Treasurer, 300 East Pike Street, first floor, Crawfordsville, Indiana, 47933.

By: **Terri Gadd**
 City of Crawfordsville Clerk-Treasurer
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54C01-2212-MF-001140 wherein Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust was Plaintiff, and Ronald Brown; Christopher Brown; Stephen Brown; Unknown Heirs and/or Devises of Ronald J. Brown, Deceased; Estate of Ronald J. Brown, Deceased; Unknown Heirs and/or Devises of Wayne Brown, Deceased heir of Ronald J. Brown, Deceased; Estate of Wayne Brown, Deceased heir of Ronald J. Brown, Deceased; The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Receivables Management Partners, LLC, D/B/A IMC Credit Services, LLC, D/B/A IMC Credit Services; Diversified Supply Inc. were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 14 day of June, 2023, at the hour of 10AM or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 600 Memorial Drive Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Lot Numbered 1, as the same is known and designated on the recorded plat of Rolling Oaks Addition, a Sub-division of part of the East half of the Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-five (25), and part of the East half of the Northeast Quarter of Section Thirty-six (36), Township Nineteen (19) North, Range Five (5) West, in Montgomery County, Indiana, as the same appears of record in Deed Record 188 Page 483 in the Recorder's Office of said County.

More commonly known as: 1232 West Lincoln Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933

State Parcel No.: 54-06-25-444-001.000-024

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

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Sheriff of Montgomery County

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Finding An Unexpected \$1.5 billion Could Mean An Avalanche Of Investment

By Michael Leppert
Indiana Capital Chronicle

In his 2012 comedy special, "In This Economy?", Gary Gulman discusses the thrill of finding a twenty-dollar bill in an old coat when he was dead broke. He remembers the find being such a big deal, it caused him to change his week-end plans. He even added the guacamole to his bowl at Chipotle the next day.

The funny part was wondering out loud what it would take for Bill Gates to have a similar thrill. At the time, Gates was only worth a paltry \$69 billion.

Thanks to the April revenue forecast, Indiana just found an extra \$1.5 billion. That could buy an avalanche of guac, without a fiscal care in the world.

Of course, that would be silly. Especially for a state government that seems to find itself with extra money so often, so routinely, that the thrill

is entirely gone. When the state's books were closed at the end of the fiscal year last summer, our total surplus was \$6.1 billion. The number was celebrated, that's right, celebrated, as evidence of great Republican leadership.

Great economy? Thank the GOP. Fiscal restraint? Thank the GOP. A complete void of any creative and meaningful idea to use our fortuitous fortune? Without question, thank the GOP.

As the 2023 legislative session ends in the coming days, I want to try and inspire the Indiana General Assembly to think big. As a teacher, this exercise is becoming a general operating procedure at the end of every semester. My young college students often think big but spend too much energy trying to restrain their dreams. Part of my job, according to me, is to get them to stop

doing that.

So, legislature, I will now turn my eyes on you.

Thinking big Rory Appleton of the Indianapolis Star has a brilliant idea: a central Indiana amusement park. He wrote beautifully last week about what a shrine of roller coasters and massive water slides could do for our dreary souls. He didn't give any cost estimates of his vision, but I'm sure a cool billion could get it started.

I know, I know, it's not the same as the Indiana State Fairgrounds' brand new swine barn, but it's close. Besides, that pig castle only cost \$50 million. As big as it seemed at the time, that cash actually may have come from Gulman's old coat.

But there are real things the money could fund.

Education could always use more money, especially in a state that whines about how much it spends on schools,

while steadily ranking in the bottom quarter of all states' spending. Maybe it would help if we spent it on a specific product instead of pesky teacher salaries.

There was \$1.5 billion dollars found. We have 1.12 million K-12 students in Indiana. That gives us \$1339 per student. Instead of training teachers to arm themselves, I suggest we purchase every child a Safe Life Defense, Hyperline, Body Armor protective vest. It's what we used to call "bullet proof."]

Retail pricing comes in just under that price per student, though I am not impressed with the color selections. Maybe if Indiana placed an order of this size, we could get the vests in customizable school colors. That seems reasonable to me.

I passed a crew of a few dozen people from Keep Indianapolis Beautiful on Sunday cleaning up the

Mass Avenue corridor. KIB planted a tree in front of my old house about a decade ago, helping to mitigate damage caused by the sinister emerald ash borer. I marvel at how much the new tree has already grown.

Right in front of that beautiful red maple, is a crumbling curb overlooking a scenic busy city street that is well on its way to returning to its original dirt road ancestry. I'm sure what is now Central Avenue was smooth for the carriages during the Governor Oliver Morton era. He was our famous Civil War governor and seemed to be the type to keep the roads pothole free.

Senate Bill 283 had language in it about declaring Indianapolis infrastructure "distressed." The motivation was couched as an attempt for state government to take over the city. Here's a better idea for state government: Give

Indy the money it is owed to fix the streets. HTNB released a study saying the city needs a measly \$635 million to catch up.

Without movement, those Morton-era horses could be useful again soon.

With a simple goal of helping people, choices should abound. How miserable it must be to have all the power of a supermajority, more cash than one could ever dream of having, and absolutely no ideas. That's apparently something money just can't buy.

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damage the immune system by changing blood levels of antibodies and loss of white blood cells. In women, long-term exposure includes excessive bleeding and irregular menstrual periods, and in all humans, it includes increased chances of cancer.

What's to be done about the growing risks associated with such chemicals? Avoid tobacco smoke. Reduce the demand for plastics and petroleum-based products so that the industry doesn't need to use benzene, especially single-use plastics, petroleum-based resins, furniture wax, paints and detergents. Finally, gear up for electrified vehicles, cooking appliances, and heating/cooling systems.

While many of us are using tax rebates and savings to install heat pumps, purchase EVs and even install solar panels, not everyone can do all those higher-dollar investments at once. But we can change our little habits and choices. Here are some to challenge yourself with:

- Reduce plastic demand by reducing take-out food, and avoiding disposable plastic forks, spoons, knives, cups, straws, and wrappers. Purchase fewer items in snack sizes which require more plastic wrapping. Bring reusable bags to the store. Swap stretchy silicone coverings or beeswax wrappers for plastic wrap. Purchase bamboo-based items such as toothbrushes, disposable servingware, and band-aids. Use paper-based tape to ship and wrap. In place of bows and other plastic decorations, buy scarves secondhand and cut them into strips and tie for bows or hand decorate with crayons. Plain brown paper or the old Sunday funnies are still great ways to wrap a present.

- Purchase cleaning agents not stored in plastics. Shampoo can be bought in bars. (Hint: avoid shampoos with sulfates which are harsh to your hair anyway.) Avoid liquid soaps sold and shipped in plastic containers. Toothpaste is now available as a chewable. Laundry detergent now comes in dissolving sheets that are stacked in cardboard. Some kinds of deodorant come in paper push-up containers or small glass jars that can be recycled (Only about nine percent of plastic is recycled, so glass, metal and paper are better storage choices.)

- Invest in high-quality natural fabrics such as wool, cotton, linen, and flax. Rayon, polyester, viscose, and other synthetic fabrics all require toxic chemicals and petroleum by-products to produce.

It's hard to avoid all such products. Wendell Berry noted that "We're all complicit in the things we may be trying to oppose." When we are here trying to oppose the use of products that do irreparable harm to our water, air, land and bodies, we may not achieve a perfect turnaround, but we can do better. It comes down to mindful choice and reduced consumption. Pause before paying and ask, "Do I really want or need this? Could I do without, make it myself, or find a less toxic version of it?"

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

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walk, go swimming, bowling, roller skating and doing her nails. She makes good grades in school and is liked by everyone. Her mom thinks Marley could benefit from a mentor because it would help her boost her confidence. Also, since her family is so large, it would get her out of the house more with some one on one time with another adult.

Marley says she likes school and her favorite subject is Art. She stated she would like to be a veterinarian when she grows up because she likes all animals. She says she also likes to go swimming, ride bikes, go to movies, eat out at Wendy's and do her nails. Marley also collects jewelry. If she could learn something new, it would be how to paint! Marley says she is good at art and cleaning but could improve her math skills.

If Marley were matched with a mentor, she would like it to be a female who is funny and nice. Or a married couple that likes to do fun things. She thinks it would be nice to get out of the house and is open to doing anything but especially swimming. She would like her mentor to know she is a little shy at first but is better once she gets to know someone.

Jill Hampton, JUMP Program Manager said, "Marley is a very sweet girl. Even though she is a bit shy at first, she is easy to talk to and eager to have a mentor to spend time with her!"

Marley is very kind and well liked by everyone. She's very helpful and easy to get along with. If you would like to mentor Marley, please contact Jill Hampton at 362-0694 ext. 103 or email jill@mcsyb.org. To learn more about the Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau, visit www.mcysb.org or visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcysb.org.

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TIM From Page A1

tinely smoked. Television, movies, society in general . . . kids saw adults smoking all the time.

Smoking was everywhere. By design. Several generations grew up thinking it was not only OK to smoke, it was good. Kids started smoking because they believed it was cool.

Decades later we found out otherwise. Now we're doing the same with the LGBTQ movement.

And for whatever reason, too many of us are sitting back and not saying a word. Why? Because when something is said attacks follow. From the White House press secretary to Hollywood to woke groups all over the place, you get labeled as a bigot, homophobic, transphobic, a hater and worse. On one hand you are asked to be tolerant of different lifestyles, but on the other hand there is no tolerance for your beliefs.

Let me repeat, I don't give a damn what choices adults make about their own lifestyles. And I don't say that mildly. I mean c'mon, all I have to do is look in a mirror at the big scar down the middle of

my chest. Not that long ago I was cut wide open, my heart was taken out and laid on a table. Why? From poor choices I made eating fries, mayo, red meats and such. Could someone disagree with my lifestyle? Absolutely.

This is not about adults and their good or bad choices. This is about children. It is time in this country for the majority of people to demand better. It is time for a lot of us to put our foot down and end this ridiculous debate about children.

We need to protect our children, to not brainwash them the way Madison Avenue did using Fred and Wilma enjoying the good life with a cigarette.

And if the media or anyone else wants to say that is intolerant, tell them they are wrong. This is not an argument about adult behavior. It's a fight about protecting children. Surely to God most of us can agree on that, can't we?

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

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the year. Upon executing the warrants, on April 19, officers came into contact with Connor Emerson, who resides at the residence and he was taken into custody. According to police, several electronic devices were seized and thousands of images were initially located.

Emerson was later released upon posting a \$3,000 cash bond and is due in Montgomery County Circuit Court on Monday, at 10 a.m.

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