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Psalms 89:1 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

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People who call our community their own.



Tim Terry, owner of Terry Farms, smiles after guiding one of our roving photographers through her first-ever tire change. Thank you for your smile and your guidance, Tim!

➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Residents of Crawfordsville and the surrounding communities now have a new option for urgent care services. On Monday, June 12, Franciscan Health opened a new Franciscan ExpressCare at 1640 Crawfordsville Square Dr., Suite 100 in Crawfordsville. The office, which is located in the same building as the Franciscan Physician Network Southside Family Medicine office, also offers onsite lab and X-ray services. Franciscan ExpressCare Crawfordsville is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition to in-person services, Franciscan ExpressCare also offers virtual urgent care visits on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and weekends from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit FranciscanExpressCare.org or call (765) 362-6374.

2 Walnut Township Community Organization's annual "Hometown Fish Fry", Saturday, at the New Ross Fire Station. Serving 5:30 to 8 pm. Menu: Delicious Cod fish sandwiches, Hot Dog, Sloppy Joe, and Coney sandwiches, Bake Beans, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Onion Rings, Desserts, Drinks

3 The Arts Federation (TAF) will present the 2023 TASTE of Tippecanoe on Saturday, from 6 pm to midnight! Proceeds from this event support TAF's mission to grow the arts in north central Indiana. TAF is looking for individuals and groups who can volunteer before, during, and/or after the event on Saturday. All event volunteers receive free admission and a t-shirt. You can sign up to help with entry gates, food ticket booths, restaurant services, the beer gardens, and more. Shifts are filled on a first-come, first-served basis, so sign up early!

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Garden & Art Tour Makes More Stops

Historic Lane Place and Speed Cabin add much to the 16th Garden & Art Tour being sponsored by the Flower Lovers Garden Club on Sunday, June 25th. The 8 beautiful residential gardens, Historic Lane Place and the bonus stop at the Athens Art Gallery are featured from 11-5...RAIN OR SHINE. Enjoy local artists, music, plant sale & refreshments and several added features as you tour the gardens. Proceeds benefit community beautification. Tickets are available for \$12; with children under age 12 free. The Flower Lovers Garden Club is excited to present to

our community the lovely and historic Lane home built in 1845. Henry S. Lane and his wife Joanna appreciated nature preservation, resulting in the existing flower beds and a beautiful arboretum which contains one of every tree native to Indiana. During that time, Joanna Lane tended her rose garden which was then located near the site of the Pattison Pavilion (gazebo). Also on the grounds is the Speed Cabin built in the mid-1830's by John Allen Speed, an abolitionist and Irish immigrant. The small one room cabin originally sat on the corner of North St.

and Grant Ave. as a stop on the Underground Railroad for freedom seekers. The Montgomery County Historical Society maintains the property with the goal for the Lane Place to become a more appealing and welcoming atmosphere for our community. Helping to achieve their three-stage plan for the property to revamp the flower gardens on the grounds has been Mark Davidson and Davidson's Greenhouse/Nursery, who during the past 25 years has made generous donations of plants, bushes, trees and flow-

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Cruise-In & Concert Kicks Off In Waveland's Summer In The Park

The first summer event at Waveland Town Park is slated for this Friday, June 16th from 5:30pm-dark. A cruise-in will feature classic cars, bikes, fire trucks and other vehicles. All vehicles are welcome with check-in at 5pm. In addition, a vendor market will be open to shop for local items, goodies, and last-minute Father's Day gifts. Waveland Strong will also have food and concessions

for sale, with proceeds going to the Brown Lucky Leaf 4H Club. Sponsored by Stevenson Automotive and Hill Top Liquors, The Dapper Dan Band will take the stage at 6pm. Shawn, Danny, Joey and the Blanton Family will rock it out to classic rock, blues, and country. Grab your lawn chairs and bring the family for a fun evening together.

Butch Says Some Kids Today Rule The Family



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

Somewhere along the line, the family hierarchy got out of whack. Do you remember when the parents ruled the roost? Yes, I know it was in prehistoric times... pre-1960, but reach back into the recesses of your brain and try to recall how different it was back then. Here is my own personal version of childhood and family structure... I was born, unfortunately "ass-backwards," (breech birth) which may have been a precursor of things to come, in 1948. For the first few years, I depended on my parents for everything. Being the first-born, I likely was overindulged

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:16 a.m.
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- Today is...**
- Fresh Veggies Day
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 - World Sea Turtle Day

- What Happened On This Day**
- **2010** The world's first country-wide total tobacco ban goes into effect.
 - **1963** Valentina Tereshkova becomes the first woman in space.
 - **1960** Alfred Hitchcock's film Psycho is premiered.

- Births On This Day**
- **1971** Tupac Shakur American rapper, producer, actor
 - **1723** Adam Smith Scottish philosopher, economist

- Deaths On This Day**
- **1977** Wernher von Braun German physicist, engineer
 - **1722** John Churchill, 1st Duke of Marlborough English general, politician

Why Men Are Choosing Healthier Lifestyles



MONICA NAGELE
Purdue Extension Office



Men no longer feel the pressure to have super fit bodies with six-pack abs and big muscles to be attractive. Many men now prefer the dad bod, which is a softer and more relaxed physique. It shows that a man is comfortable with himself. The dad bod is not just about looks; it also means living a healthier and more balanced lifestyle.

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➔ HONEST HOOSIER

We remember the Ultimate Warrior, Hoosier Brian Hellwig, who was born on this date in 1959 and sadly passed away too soon in 2014.



➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Keep meat tenderizer in your first aid kit - apply it to stings to destroy the venom. 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.



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➔ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Ladoga Clark Township Public Library Summer Reading Program:
Ladoga Public Library's Summer Reading Program has many events coming up for the month of June! Some of those events include; On June 20, Tot Time at 1:30 pm and Water Wars at 2 pm. On June 21, Science Shakedown with Mr. Mitchell 1 pm to 2 pm, DNA Discovery-Strawberry DNA and Bingo/Games at 2:30 pm.

➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Love recognizes no barriers."
-Maya Angelou

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

How did the telephone propose to his girlfriend?
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➔ OBITUARIES

None

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Two Wabash College Student-Athletes Named Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars

El-Khalili '23, Rivera '25 Named Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars.

Recent Wabash College graduate Adam El-Khalili '23 and rising junior Luis Rivera '25 were named 2023 Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars by *Diverse Issues in High Education* magazine.

El-Khalili was a first-team selection in swimming and diving, while Rivera achieved first-team accolades in volleyball. They are the seventh and eighth Wabash student-athletes to be named an Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar since 2018.

A two-year team captain of the Little Giant swim team, El-Khalili posted four career bests in races this season. He helped the team score 1,264 points at the 2020 North Coast Athletic Conference Championships, the highest total in program history.

He has been active in and around the campus community, serving as the president of the Sphinx Club. He has helped underclassmen develop leadership skills through emotional intelligence training, and is a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity, the Arabic Club, and the Center for Innovation, Business, and Entrepreneurship.

A financial economics major from West Lafayette, Indiana, El-Khalili has earned an Orr Fellowship from the State of Indiana and will receive executive mentorship and participate in a curriculum designed to develop understanding and skills vital to entrepreneurship and business leadership.

"Adam is such a deserving person for this award," said Will Bernhard, head swimming and diving coach. "He



ADAM EL-KHALILI

served our team and campus as a leader in all aspects of his academic and athletic endeavors. He has an incredible work ethic and selflessly helps others in countless ways each day. Adam's high character and leadership skills certainly made our team better, but more importantly, his influence has made Wabash a better place."

In his second year as a libero on the Wabash volleyball team, Luis Rivera was a 2022 Midwest Collegiate Volleyball League all-academic selection as a freshman, playing in 63 of 69 sets for the Little Giants. He led the team with 139 digs (2.21/s) while adding two kills and 18 assists. In 2023, he averaged 1.29 digs per game to go with eight kills and six assists in 13 appearances.

Rivera helped Wabash College's Diversity and Inclusion Committee create an education program on Diversity and Inclusion for new members of fraternities; he aided in campus-specific Safe Space training to support an environment of safety and inclusivity; and he led a fundraising initiative in the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity to raise money for children's Christmas gifts through Project REINdeer in Crawfordsville.

He collaborated with the

Dean of Students' Office and the Special Assistant to the President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to bring Bystander Intervention, Implicit Bias, and Conflict De-Escalation training to campus; served as a Blood Drive Program Leader with the American Red Cross; and has served as the secretary, diversity and inclusion chairman, and external vice president and philanthropy chair for his fraternity.

Rivera was elected to the Student Senate in January 2022, occupied leadership positions with the campus Diversity and Inclusion Committee and Mental Health Concerns Committee, and is President of 'shOUT, the College's gay-straight alliance.

A three-time Dean's List honoree and a psychology major from Wake Forest, North Carolina, Rivera earned the 2022 Dr. Paul T. Hurt Award for All-Around Freshman Achievement at Wabash College, given each year to a deserving freshman student in recognition of all-around achievement in his first year at Wabash College. A Presidential Scholarship recipient, he is also a Wabash Democracy and Public Discourse (WDPD) fellow, speech tutor, and a member of the Wabash Liberal Arts Immersion Program (WLAIP), Gender Issues Committee, and Sons of Wabash.

"Luis Rivera inspires me," said Jill Lamberton, associate professor of English and special assistant to the president for diversity, equity, and inclusion. "In the classroom, he listens to others before he speaks, but when he does speak, his comments have a way of pushing all of us



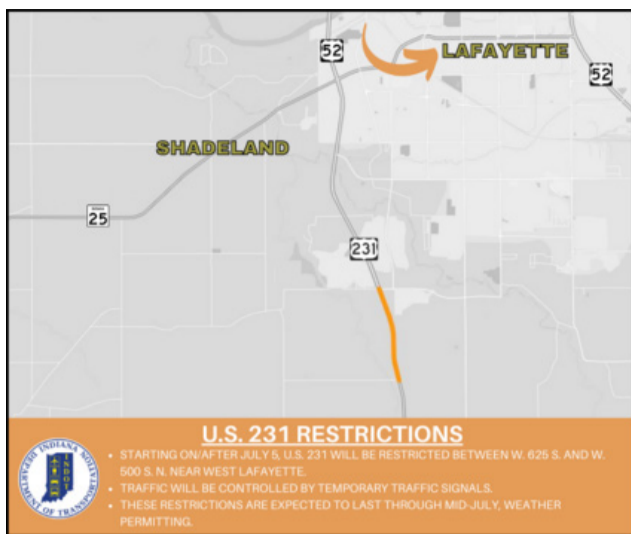
LUIS RIVERA

to think harder, to see a bigger picture. As a campus leader, he emphasizes bringing people together. Luis works to enact the change he wants to see on campus, and I love working with him because he doesn't only critique, he also builds. He exudes optimism and warmth without being naive. He is so deserving; I couldn't be more proud of him for earning this recognition."

Since 1992, Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars have demonstrated stellar athletic ability and academic performance (3.5 cumulative GPA or higher), in addition to a commitment to community service and student leadership. The award is inspired by tennis legend Arthur Ashe Jr.'s dedication to education as well as his love for the game of tennis.

This spring, Reis Thomas '23, a standout track and field performer at Wabash College, was named a finalist for the 2023 Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar of the Year from nearly 1,000 nominations. He was joined by tennis player Alvaro Alonso-Sanchez '23, who was selected as a semifinalist for the honor.

Wabash was one of two institutions across all NCAA divisions to have two semifinalists for the award, joining the University of Nebraska.



U.S. 231 RESTRICTIONS

- STARTING ON/AFTER JULY 11, U.S. 231 WILL BE RESTRICTED BETWEEN W. 625 S. AND W. 500 S. N. NEAR WEST LAFAYETTE.
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- THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE EXPECTED TO LAST THROUGH MID-JULY, WEATHER PERMITTING.



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- THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE EXPECTED TO LAST THROUGH THE END OF JUNE, WEATHER PERMITTING.

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Restrictions On US 231 Starting On Or After June 27

The Indiana Department of Transportation announces restrictions on U.S. 231 starting on or after Tuesday, June 27 near West Lafayette for bridge maintenance. The road will be restricted down to one lane between U.S. 52 and W. 500 N. Traffic will be controlled by temporary traffic signals through the end of June, weather permitting.

Then, on or after Wednesday, July 5, U.S. 231 will be restricted to one lane between W. 625 S. and W. 500 S. for bridge maintenance near Lafayette. Traffic will be controlled by temporary traffic signals through mid-July, weather permitting.

Finally, U.S. 231 will be restricted on or after

Tuesday, July 11 for bridge maintenance near Crawfordsville. It will be restricted to one lane between E. 400 S. and E. 450 S. through the end of July, weather permitting.

This contract was awarded to Pacific Painting Co. and involves maintenance on six bridges. It involves two bridges in Fountain County on U.S. 41, one bridge in Montgomery County on State Road 32, and three bridges on U.S. 231 in both Tippecanoe and Montgomery County. Crews will be performing polymeric overlays to provide additional years of service to the bridges. The entire contract is expected to be completed in October of 2023, weather permitting.

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Interesting Days Ahead For College Football



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

Flex Protect Plus sounds like a Medicare supplemental insurance commercial you might see on MeTV.

It's a different kind of insurance, though. One that should ensure the Big Ten Conference will be well represented in the upcoming 12-team College Football Playoff.

It's also an opportunity for Purdue to perhaps build some momentum under Ryan Walters.

The Big Ten unveiled its Flex Protect Plus scheduling for the 2024 and 2025 seasons, when the league grows to 16 teams with the addition of USC and UCLA. Flex Protect Plus is a combination of protected opponents and rotating opponents that will guarantee every school will play every other conference foe at least twice (home and away) in a four-year period.

Flex Protect Plus also spells the end of division play. The top two teams will meet in the Big Ten championship game.

Purdue fans who like to grumble and complain should have nothing to say after the Boilermakers' traditional games with Indiana and Illinois were among the 11 protected rivalries announced this week. Even better, the first of the rotating "two-play" opponents for

Purdue is Northwestern.

The only thing better than that is if the Wildcats were made a protected rivalry alongside the Hoosiers and Fighting Illini.

Indiana has no protected rival outside of Purdue but the Hoosiers did OK with the "two-play" assignments of Michigan State and Maryland for 2024-25.

Iowa is the only school with three protected rivalries and all three make sense: Minnesota for Floyd of Rosedale, Nebraska for the Heroes Trophy and Wisconsin for the Heartland Trophy.

Penn State was the only school with no protected rival. The other protected rivalries are Michigan-Ohio State, Michigan-Michigan State, Illinois-Northwestern, Minnesota-Wisconsin, USC-UCLA and Rutgers-Maryland.

New Big Ten commissioner Tony Petitti said much of the scheduling decisions had already been made before he replaced Kevin Warren in May. That said, he believes Flex Protect Plus will endure well beyond 2025.

"The first thing is preserving the matchups that are important to Big Ten fans," Petitti said on Big Ten Network. "The second important thing is being able to see more opponents more frequently. I'm happy where this ended up.

"We wanted to have more competitive balance. You want to respect history and tradition in the conference even as you

are expanding. You also want to connect fans. All those things were done with this format."

Purdue's 2024 conference schedule features five away games (Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan State and Wisconsin), Nebraska, Northwestern, Penn State and USC will come to Ross-Ade Stadium. The Trojans have not played in West Lafayette since defeating the Boilermakers 31-13 in 1976, led by Heisman Trophy winner Ricky Bell's 177 yards rushing.

The non-conference schedule features Notre Dame's first appearance in Ross-Ade since a 31-24 Irish victory in 2013, plus a home game with Indiana State. Purdue also travels to Oregon State.

The Boilermakers get five conference home games in 2025: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota and Ohio State. A trip to UCLA heads the four away games that include Michigan, Northwestern and Rutgers. The Bruins faced Purdue in 1980, coming away with a 23-14 victory over Mark Herrmann and Co. at Ross-Ade Stadium. Purdue has never beaten UCLA (0-3-2).

Home games with Ball State and Connecticut, plus a trip to Notre Dame, comprises the 2025 non-conference schedule.

Indiana's home Big Ten slate in 2024 should sell a few tickets with Penn State, UCLA and Purdue coming to Bloomington along with Maryland and Minnesota. Michigan

State, Nebraska, Northwestern and Wisconsin comprise the away games.

A trip to Louisville is sandwiched between home non-conference games with Florida International and Charlotte.

Visits to Ohio State and USC highlight the 2025 Big Ten schedule for the Hoosiers, who also will travel to Illinois, Maryland and Purdue. Michigan comes to Bloomington as part of a home schedule that will also feature Iowa, Michigan State and Rutgers.

All three of IU's non-conference games will be in Memorial Stadium: Old Dominion, Louisville and Indiana State.

No cupcakes served Monday's announcement by the Indiana Sports Corporation that Purdue will play Arizona in the second annual Indy Classic at Gainbridge Fieldhouse adds another quality opponent to the Boilermakers' 2023-24 schedule.

Purdue, expected to be a preseason Top 5 selection following the return of National Player of the Year Zach Edey, has already announced it will play Xavier as part of the Gavitt Games on Nov. 13 in Mackey Arena.

The Boilermakers also will be a part of a heavy-hitting Maui Invitational field of Kansas, Tennessee, Gonzaga, Marquette, UCLA and Syracuse from Nov. 20-22. Matchups have yet to be announced.

The Indy Classic, which also features Indiana State

vs. Ball State, will take place Dec. 16.

Arizona is the reigning Pac-12 Tournament champions on its way to a 28-7 record. Purdue is 7-5 against the Wildcats, including an 89-64 victory over No. 2 Arizona in the 2017 Battle 4 Atlantis.

Big Ten confidential As part of its 2023 college football season preview, Athlon Sports granted an unspecified number of Big Ten coaches anonymity in exchange for candid views about league opponents.

Here's what they said about first-year Purdue coach Ryan Walters:

"Jeff (Brohm) never really wanted to be at Purdue long term, so this could be a rare example of where both parties benefit from a coaching change. Defensively, they're going to be better than most people think. The head coach is a darn good

DC and the staff he brought in is really sharp. They can run complex stuff without sacrificing aggression."

Not surprisingly, after a 2-7 Big Ten finish a year ago, there's a thought around the league that Tom Allen is in trouble at Indiana.

"Probably the most uncertain team in the league going into the season. They have to win some big games to keep Tom around, and that doesn't look likely with the roster they've got. ... Culturally, this is a hard place to win at, stay winning and make the 'football' changes needed to keep it going.

Plus, Tom is a 'bullhorn' kind of coach, lot of hollering and that as a trend seems to have waned a lot in recent years."

Hall of Fame hopefuls A pair of All-Americans from Purdue and Indiana are among 78 players from the Football Bowl Subdivision on the 2024 College Football Hall of Fame ballot.

Record-setting wide receiver Taylor Stubblefield and fellow receiver Larry Burton are back on the ballot. Stubblefield left Purdue after setting the NCAA record for career receptions with 316. He also set a Sun Bowl mark with 196 receiving yards in 2001. Burton earned first-team All-American and Outstanding College Athlete of America in 1974

Indiana's hopes are represented by running back Vaughn Dunbar and quarterback Antwaan Randle-El. Dunbar led the nation in rushing with 1,805 yards in 1991. Randle-El was the first player in FBS history to pass for 6,000 yards and rush for 3,000 in a career.

Also on the ballot are Purdue offensive coordinator Graham Harrell for his feats as a quarterback at Texas Tech, as well as Indianapolis Colts greats Dallas Clark and Marvin Harrison.

- Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.

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DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

What was I thinking? I've been so happy lately, retired and enjoying my free time, pleased with the

fun I've had over the years in the media. And then I went and did the dumbest thing. I experimented with an Artificial Intelligence app on my phone. I began with a few pressing questions in my life like how do I get rid of the raccoon that is destroying our deck? And will the trash people take my old lawnmower? Can Donald Trump be president while in the slammer?

Here's where it all went horribly wrong. I had been told that AI could create a story if you simply prompt the app with an idea or question. Just for fun, here is what I requested. **WRITE AN ESSAY ON WHY DICK WOLFSIE IS NOT FUNNY.** What you are about to read is exactly what I received. I am not making this up. It began to scroll on my phone within 10 seconds...

"Dick Wolfsie is a TV personality and writer who has been in the media for many years. He claims to have a unique brand of wit, but we beg to differ. Here are some reasons Dick is not

funny.

First, he has a weird name. Sounds like a cross between a detective and a werewolf. For 30 years he has been telling stories about quirky people he met, but all the stories were boring. His jokes fell flat and he never tackled anything serious. He never challenges himself, his viewers or his readers. He plays it safe and boring. Everything is a cliché and totally predictable. He did bring his dog Barney on TV for many years. That's what saved his career. People watched Dick on TV because of the dog. His writing often depends on horrible puns and weak punchlines. Where is the sarcasm and irony that good writing demands? Wolfsie just sticks to the same old formula.

In conclusion, Dick Wolfsie never makes people think. He just makes them yawn, turn off the TV or go to the next page of the newspaper."

Yes, that's what Artificial Intelligence wrote about me. For this column, I deleted anything that made me look bad. Apparently, AI scans the web and incorporates all the information they can find to create the story. My first reaction was they must have confused me with a different Dick Wolfsie. You know, another guy who was on the news with his dog and now writes a humor column.

I asked my wife to read

the essay.

"Dick this is outrageous; it's full of inaccuracies. You didn't bore people for thirty years on TV"

"Thank you, Mary Ellen."

"Wasn't it closer to 40? And they said you end every column with a dreadful pun."

"But I don't, do I?"

"Of course not, you sprinkle them endlessly throughout the column. Along with the clichés.

"But I do tackle serious topics."

"Without question.

Who could forget your story about the guy who collects manhole covers; your column about Miracle Whip versus mayonnaise and my favorite: Why men who drink beer attract mosquitoes."

Now, I was totally depressed. But I had an idea. My original request set me up for witty insults and criticism. This time, I'd phrase it more positively: **WRITE AN ESSAY ON WHY DICK WOLFSIE IS A COMEDY GENIUS!**

The original request only required 10 seconds to get a response. It's been two days now and so far I've seen nothing on my smart phone. AI must be still working on it.

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and showered with a lot of attention, because at age 4, I decided that I would be in charge, and I could do anything that pleased me. This did not work out too well the first time, when I cut a light cord in two with a pair of scissors. After that incident, I discovered that a yardstick can be used for things other than measuring. When I loaded up Dad's shotgun and fired a round off at the age of 7, I also discovered that a belt can be removed from a pair of jeans very quickly. I could go on, but you get the idea. It was trial and error on my part, but I eventually learned that dastardly deeds and bratty behavior have repercussions. A very common parental command was, "Bend over and grab your ankles," followed by these often heard statements: (1) "Maybe one of these days you'll learn." (2) "I don't want to have to tell you again." (3) "You'd better keep your trap shut." (4) "Wipe that smile off your face." (5) "God gave you a brain...now use it." and (6) "I've forgotten more than you'll ever know." (I wasn't quite sure I understood that one.) Now I'm not suggesting that corpo-

ral punishment should be used, but it worked on me, and it was common "back in the day."

By the time I was in junior high, I was headed straight, although there were a few bumps in the road. I lived in the house. I worked on our farm. I attended Sunday school. I ate everything on my plate. I went to bed when they told me to. I did not complain. If I did not bother my parents, they would not bother me. Most of the time they never even knew where I was at or what I was doing. I rode my bike (and later my scooter) all over the countryside. I fished at nearby gravel pits (and didn't know how to swim). I spent time with friends. I spent time in town. I participated in all of the school sports at my own choosing. Sometimes Dad watched...sometimes he didn't. Whether I did well or not, he never praised me...or criticized me. That was the coach's job. Mom never attended any of my games, as she was too busy managing the household and taking care of my four brothers and sisters. I had no pressure at all...it was great! No "participation trophies." No treats or special awards for straight-A grade card reports. No elaborate and expensive birthday parties. No allowance. No seat belts. No helmets...And at age 16, no car of my own. "Son, we can't afford it. That's life. You'll manage."

Parents used to say, "You are my child and I love you, but you do not make the rules. I make the rules, and you obey the rules." In addition, "Yes, you are a special part of our family, but that doesn't mean you are entitled to do anything you want. You need to be fair, earn your keep, and learn to do things yourself. If you try and fail, learn from your mistakes, and try again. If you misbehave, there will be consequences."

And the best advice I ever received..."You can do anything you set your mind to do." Thanks Mom and Dad...

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Men are choosing the dad bod because they are focusing on things beyond their careers. They prioritize hobbies, travel, and spending time with loved ones.

Being financially well is important for men's overall health because unexpected medical events can affect their money and general well-being. To protect themselves from the burden of unexpected medical expenses, men should have good health insurance, save money for emergencies, and regularly see the doctor. This way, they can live a fulfilling life with their family.

Life can be stressful with work deadlines and problems in relationships. Instead of dealing with stress in unhealthy ways like drinking or overeating, many men are finding healthier ways to cope. They try things like meditation, exercise, or talking to someone. By managing stress in a healthy way, men can enjoy life more and avoid getting overwhelmed.

Anxiety and depression are common mental health problems that can greatly affect men's well-being, relationships, and daily life. Women are more likely to be diagnosed with these problems, but men often don't get diagnosed because people ex-

pect them to be strong and independent. This can stop men from seeking help for anxiety and depression, even though they are more likely to take their own lives than women, according to the World Health Organization.

Anxiety and depression can also affect how men take care of their children. Men who have these problems may find it hard to connect with their children or be involved in parenting. They may struggle to control their emotions and get impatient. Also, men with anxiety or depression may have trouble showing good behaviors to their children. This can create a cycle of negative behavior that affects their children's well-being and growth. PMID 30202331

It's very important for men with anxiety or depression to seek help and support to manage these problems. By doing this, they can better handle their feelings, connect with their children, and show good behaviors. Men should not feel embarrassed or ashamed about seeking help because many people have mental health problems and they can be treated. Taking care of these problems can make men feel better overall and have better relationships and lives.

Exercise and eating

healthy food are important for keeping the body and mind healthy. That's why more and more men are trying to have at least 30 minutes of physical activity every day. Jogging, lifting weights, or playing sports are great ways to increase physical activity. Try focusing on eating foods that are nutrient dense like fruits and vegetables instead of empty calories like beer and potato chips.

In conclusion, the dad bod is not just a trend. It represents a healthier and more balanced lifestyle that many men are choosing. By focusing on their overall health and taking care of themselves, men can live longer, healthier, and happier lives. Remember: "Healthy men, strong men: Let's take charge of our health!" This men's health awareness message is brought to you by your local Purdue Extension partner, your education partner for life.

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ers for the project. Flower Lovers Garden Club assisted in early spring clean ups and plantings; and in the fall of 2022, Owen Bennett Asst. Director and a senior at Wabash College reached out to his fellow brothers for assistance in clean up

the spring of 2023. In addition, Historical Society member and Master Gardener Paula S. Furr has a vision for the property to become the place it once was during its glory days with the planning and planting of an assortment of flowers, herbs and

vegetables that were more common to that time in Indiana history.

The Lane Place and the Speed Cabin will be open for touring during the Garden&Art tour event between the hours of 12 and 4p.m.

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