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TODAY'S VERSE

1 John 3:18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

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People who call our community their own.



Darlisa Steele, owner of C'Ville Docs offered a smile to one of our roving photographers while received her Readers' Choice 2023 award! Thanks Darlisa!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 The Montgomery County Relay for Life is dedicated to helping communities attack cancer. Through funds donated, time given, or awareness raised, communities are teaming up to make a difference. The annual event is scheduled for Sept. 16, from 12 pm - 8 pm in Crawfordsville. You can participate by forming a team, raising money and celebrating at the event while honoring survivors and remembering lives touched by purchasing a luminaria. Please help spread the word to help them grow the success of this event! Click the button to visit the website to register a team and for more information.

2 Notice is hereby given that the Economic Development Commission of the City of Crawfordsville will hold a public meeting on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville

3 With the threat of rain for the last community smoke rescheduled. All the preparations did not go to waste. With news of no power in Ladoga and New Market. Feed the Fam sent their crew out to feed the residents. The new date for the Community BBQ Smoke Off is July 29 5-9pm. All funds raised go to Feed the FaM , where love is in the food.

Free Garden Walk Coming Saturday!



Photos courtesy of the Community Growers of Montgomery County

Community Growers of Montgomery County is offering a free Garden Walk to three backyard gardens in downtown neighborhoods between 10-noon on Saturday, July 29. Participants are invited to do the entire walk (not strenuous or lengthy) or visit individual gardens. Organizers also invite those who come to bring lunches if they wish. The group will gather for lunch and conversation after the tour at picnic tables at the Lew Wallace Study.

The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:39 a.m.
SET: 9:08 p.m.

High/Low Temperatures
High: 95 °F
Low: 75 °F

Today is...
• Gary Gygax Day
• National Chili Dog Day
• National Scotch Day

What Happened On This Day
• 1985 Coup in Uganda.
• 1955 Austrian State Treaty came to force.
• 1940 Bugs Bunny's official debut

Births On This Day
• 1975 Alex Rodriguez American baseball player
• 1824 Alexandre Dumas, fils French author

Deaths On This Day
• 2003 Bob Hope English/American actor, singer, producer
• 1948 Joe Tinker American baseball player

All About Napoleon "Bony" Reynolds



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

Often, I find a subject for an article in a most unusual way as with Napoleon Bonaparte Reynolds. I am on a neat Facebook page (Military History of Putnam County,

Indiana) ran by Jordan Vaughn and mainly it is about Putnam County but other military-oriented items often pop-up and this one could have been either, I guess as he asked, "Who has an ancestor that fought in the Napoleonic Wars?" Boy, did I feel stupid as I had only vaguely heard that term.

Certainly, I didn't have an ancestor in the series of wars but as always, the first thing I do when researching for anyone or anything was doing a search on the Montgomery County INGenWeb page. That's when I met NBR, or "Uncle Bony" as he was known to almost

everyone in a five or so county radius. Napoleon Bonaparte Reynolds was born to William Reynolds and Mary Miller near Lexington, Kentucky on 23 March 1828. In early 1830, William purchased property about 150 acres on Indian Creek and where the creek turned to the west, then north he went to work building his grist mill with few tools and a great deal of hard work, this all while living with his sister in their home.

He then returned to Kentucky for his family, Bony at this time being two, as well as Bony's sister Katherine and brothers, Andrew; Jesse and William. The family had arrived along with his aunt and uncle, Jonathan and Rebecca Reynolds Rice) plus James and Charles Peyton families who had married Reynolds' sisters, as well. (Reynolds migrated to area in 1830 by Bessie Armstrong, Montgomery Magazine, Feb 1979 p 19 and prepared for the Montgomery Co GenWeb page by Scott Busenbark). Sadly, Bony's father died when

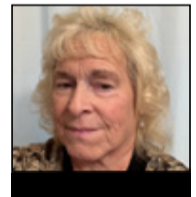


Photo courtesy of Karen Zach

Gravestone for Napoleon Reynolds

he was quite young and he and his brothers and sisters (now including Elizabeth, Hannah and Eliza) were left in the care of the uncle, Jonathan Rice. Their mother Mary passed at an old age on Halloween of 1872.

At about 20, Bony lost one of his eyes when a piece of guncap struck it. Never let it bother him, though. His carpentry work was astounding, few matching his skills. Forever after, he could put a bullet in the middle of the bullseye at any target competition and "wield the broad ax better than any two-eyed fellow." An



DeANTHA WRIGHT THORNBURG
Guest Column

When was the last time you walked the halls of an empty hospital corridor after midnight? Or maybe the last time you sat at the bedside of a loved one in a hospital ER after what

seemed like the longest drive to the closest cardiologist? It's now nearly 2 a.m. and they tell you your loved one must rest until morning. They are waiting for the first series of test results to be returned. Until then all we can do is wait.

The nursing staff tells you they will get a room soon. In the meantime, you're still sitting there watching the monitors count every breath and heartbeat. By this time, you are

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HONEST HOOSIER

Anyone want to take any bets on when the first Halloween decorations come out in stores?



INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION

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THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Funding A Bike For Luke Rice:

Kiwanis is in the process of purchasing a bike for a young man here in Crawfordsville. They are raising money through a GoFundMe page. Luke Rice is a local boy with cerebral palsy and a heart of gold. Copy the link: <https://gofund.me/b2d12490> in your device's browser to help a local boy!

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you have diabetes, it's important to do aerobic AND weight training.

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.



TODAY'S QUOTE

"What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family!"
-Mother Teresa

TODAY'S JOKE

What's an advantage of old age? People think you have more patience. They don't understand that you just don't care.

OBITUARIES

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Meeting Notes

Board Of Public Works And Public Safety Meeting Agenda

July 26 at 10:00AM
 I. Approval of the minutes from July 19.
 II. Approval of the claims for the week of July 24.
 III. Old Business
 IV. New Business
 a. Sue Lucas requesting to close Pike Street at Pike Place, Saturday, September 9 until 4 pm for a traveling car show
 b. Amanda Ellenberger, Vine Church, requesting approval of a 5k route on October 7th beginning at 9 am
 c. Claudia Bravo requesting to block two/

three parking spaces on Pike Street at Pike Place for their food truck for multiple dates
 d. Minerva C Baez Sanchez requesting parking spaces downtown in front of 128 N Green Street to place a food truck for multiple dates
 e. Barry Lewis, Code Enforcement Officer, with work order requests
 •912 Tuttle Ave, owned by Teresa Goodnight
 •408 Binford St, owned by Aundrea Ellingwood
 V. Departments Heads
 VI. Adjournment

WHIN Selected As Part Of Microsoft's National TechSpark Program To Grow Economic Opportunity In Northwest Central Indiana

The Wabash Heartland Innovation Network (WHIN) announced today that it will be working with Microsoft TechSpark to foster inclusive economic opportunity, job creation, and innovation in the ten-county WHIN region. With a particular focus on innovation, WHIN will use this opportunity to introduce Internet of Things (IoT) technology into school safety programming. IoT can give teachers and administrators instant and silent access to law enforcement in emergency situations.

WHIN accomplishes its educational and research purposes by accelerating the use of IoT technology in its region. The power of smart IoT solutions to provide real time, actionable information is transforming agriculture and manufacturing. WHIN's TechSpark project will bring some of those benefits to schools.

The effort will be supported by a Microsoft grant to fund a TechSpark Community Engagement Fellow, WHIN VP for Engagement, Pat Corey, who will spearhead WHIN's project as it adds a new dimension to local efforts to accomplish dig-

ital transformation. This Fellowship represents the first time TechSpark has worked in Indiana.

Corey will work with South Montgomery School Corporation and the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department to pilot a wearable silent device that adults on a K-12 school campus can use to summon law enforcement in an emergency.

"Technology is critical to the region's growth and prosperity, and WHIN's \$6M investment in eLearning in our K-12 schools is boosting the region's talent pipeline," says Corey. "But technology can also make a huge contribution to the quality of life that is at the heart of prosperity. The safety of our children and the teachers and staff in our schools is the top priority and we are very grateful to Southmont and to Montgomery County officials for leading the way on behalf of the thirty school corporations in our region."

"Southmont is pleased to work with WHIN to implement technology at New Market Elementary School that will add another layer of safety to our security protocols,"

says Dr. Chad Cripe, Superintendent of the South Montgomery Schools. "New Market is our largest elementary school, serving students in most of southwestern Montgomery County. We also look forward to sharing the pilot with our colleagues around the region."

The project requires close collaboration with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department.

"Our ability to protect students and teachers depends on how quickly we are alerted in an emergency," says Montgomery County Sheriff Ryan Needham. "But the very act of asking for help can attract the attention of someone intent on doing harm. The device that WHIN proposes can be triggered easily and silently, which is exactly what is needed. We will work with Southmont to develop procedures around the device to make New Market Elementary more secure."

"Since we launched TechSpark in 2017, we've helped communities secure more than \$125 million in funding and helped create thousands of jobs," said Kate Behnken, Corporate Vice President, Micro-

soft Philanthropies. "By expanding TechSpark to all 50 states, we hope to continue our hyperlocal, partner-driven work to help communities realize the potential of technology and foster greater economic opportunity."

Earlier this year, Microsoft announced the expansion of its TechSpark program to tackle digital inclusion in four focus areas: digital access, digital skills, computer science education, and digital transformation with local based organizations. Since its inception in 2017, TechSpark has helped its eight communities secure more than \$125 million in community funding, skill 55,000 people, and create 3,300 jobs.

-SOURCES: Alivia Roberts, Marketing and Communications Manager, Wabash Heartland Innovation Network (WHIN): Alivia@whin.org

ABOUT WHIN: WHIN is an innovative nonprofit organization devoted to making the 10-county Wabash Heartland region of north-central Indiana the global epicenter of digital agriculture and next-generation manufacturing empowered by smart IoT technology.



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It's a Barbie World Out There!

Longtime Journalist Shares Insight On Barbie



SANDY BROWN
Guest Column

Why do I love Barbie?
I am a long-time vintage Barbie collector and, at times, am a little embar-

rassed by the size of my collection. (In fact, part of the reason we selected our retirement home was the upstairs space it allows for me to display my collection – and even that large room seems to be getting overcrowded).

My parents couldn't afford to give me the dolls as a child so as an adult I turned to collecting in a nostalgic way. I was really happy to discover EBay, but one of my first purchases was at a local garage sale in Crawfordsville. I found a vintage Francie, Barbie's Mod Cousin (the word mod was used to describe her because she wore the hippest or most mod clothes) with some clothing and GI Joe items for \$7. (I later sold the GI Joe items on EBay for a profit.)

I have always loved

Barbie – even as a child. I envisioned her as an ideal. After all, she was a career woman – something rare in the early 1960s. Although she began as a teacher and a nurse, her options soon grew (she even was a presidential candidate in 1991). She represented that all options are open to women.

She also came with blonde, brunette or red hair. Her friends also came with all hair colors and they had unique faces as well.

And Barbie had a multitude of friends – Midge, Stacy (not to be confused with her younger sister Stacey), PJ, Teresa, Christie -- just to name a few – she also had a steady boyfriend and they went off to college together. Ken had uniforms for all the armed services and also has been a doctor – among other careers. They also have wedding outfits.

Barbie could be anyone or anything a young girl could imagine. She also was / is a fashion icon. I love so many outfits from the 1970s because I remember wearing those

colors and patterns.

But Barbie was also my friend. I could tell her secrets and share my ambitions with her and those things would stay between us. Yes, I could share those with any of my other dolls – but those dolls were not as understanding as Barbie because they did not share her range of experiences and opportunities I saw opening in society.

I could also influence her fashion choices and create scenarios using my imagination.

So . . . here I am . . . a retiree who still loves Barbie and spends time sewing outfits for her and sometimes creating dioramas. Barbie still makes me smile. I think she always will.

-After spending most of her life in Montgomery County, Sandy Brown retired to Kentucky in 2020. She graduated from Manchester College (now a university) in 1979. That same year she married David Brown and moved to Crawfordsville. She worked in local journalism for many years and retired from Penguin Random House.

Baird Introduces Leads Effort Hold War Criminal Assad Accountable

Congressman Jim Baird (IN-04) joined House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Michael McCaul (R-TX) and Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia Chairman Joe Wilson (R-TX) to lead the introduction of legislation that will block the Biden administration from extending or reissuing Syria General License 23, which authorized direct transactions with the Assad regime for 180 days after the February Turkey-Syria earthquake.

“For far too long, the Biden administration’s soft-on-crime foreign policies have had wide-reaching and devastating international effects that have weakened the United States’ standing on the global stage,” said Congressman Baird. “By extending General License 23, the administration is effectively refusing to hold Bashar Al Assad accountable for his unspeakable war crimes and sends a dangerous message to the world that the United States condones this humanitarian crisis. As the world’s leader, we have a responsibility to send a resounding message to all that this despicable

conduct will not be tolerated, which is why I am introducing a bill to block this extension.”

“Bashar Al Assad is a war criminal who has faced no accountability for his crimes against the Syrian people. Yet he is increasingly being welcomed back into the international community, particularly by governments in the Middle East,” said Chairman McCaul. “Extending General License 23 would undermine our Syria sanctions and send a message that the United States accepts normalization with Assad. That’s why we’re introducing this bill to block the extension of this over-broad license, especially since our Syria sanctions already contain humanitarian exemptions.”

“The criminal Assad regime has directly benefitted from General License 23 while refusing to aid to areas hit hardest by the earthquake,” said Chairman Wilson. “In fact, mass murderer Assad and war criminal Putin have relentlessly bombed northwest Syria since the earthquake. Humanitarian exemptions are built into U.S. sanctions, and the Biden administration

should not renew this broad license which allows the Assad regime to profit as he continues his assault on the Syrian people.”

BACKGROUND:

On February 9, 2023, in response to the February 6th Turkey-Syria earthquake, the Biden administration issued a Syria General License (GL23) that would authorize sanctions lifts for 180 days on all transactions related to the earthquake. Recently, the administration signaled that it plans to extend this general license despite the devastating humanitarian crisis created and perpetuated by the Assad regime. The general license was set to expire August 8th. The Safeguarding Syrian Sanction Act would:

Prevent the administration from renewing or extending GL23 upon enactment of this bill.

Require that the Secretary of Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce notify the appropriate committees if there are any changes to any Syria Sanctions Regulations no more than 15 prior of the change effective date.

This bill would have no effect on future or other General Licenses

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Is Climate Migration Already Happening?

EARTHTALK

Dear EarthTalk: What exactly is “climate migration” and is it already happening?

As discussions of the climate crisis begin to shift from future tense to present, ‘climate migration’ has become a growing concern. But what is it? The question is stickier than one might think. By its simplest definition, the phrase refers to the voluntary or involuntary movement of people from one place to another due to adverse ecological conditions, usually caused by global warming. Conditions can include natural disasters, gradual desertification, rising sea levels or crop-destroying insect migration, to name a few.

And therein lies the stickiness. For one, how can we be certain that adverse environmental conditions have been caused by climate change? To be certain, we would have to refer to the relatively new science of extreme event attribution, which is often inconclusive. Then, to call someone a ‘climate migrant’, the climatic conditions would have to be the principal motivation for their upheaval. Most often, it is a mixture of things that cause a person to pull up roots and move, and environmental factors are hard to separate from the rest: Climate change can also increase poverty, crime

and political instability. Another legally important issue is the term ‘migrant’. If the new turbulence of the environment is what forces people to move, wouldn’t it be best to call them climate ‘refugees’? That way the upheaved population would have greater protection, like access to legal services and planned relocation, although at the moment, the Refugee Act of 1951 does not cover climate displacement. The importance of definition and terminology is pivotal when it comes to the law, as well as recognition from host countries. Calling them refugees instead of migrants will, as the Council on Foreign Relations has said, “also be a signal from wealthier countries, which are most responsible for planet-warming greenhouse gas emissions, that there is a global responsibility to help those harmed by climate change.”

And the situation could hardly be more urgent. The UN High Commissioner for Refugees has determined that natural disasters alone force an annual average of 21.5 million people from their homes across the globe. In one study conducted by The New York Times, ProPublica and the Pulitzer Center, an extreme scenario could see “more than 30 million migrants [...] head toward the U.S. border over the course of the next 30 years.” Climate displacement

has begun, and will only increase with the coming years. The statistics are dire, and the consequences potentially catastrophic, but host countries have the opportunity to twist the best out of a bad situation. Climate displacement could fix economic problems associated with aging populations, and fill holes in the job market. Gaia Vince of The Guardian predicts that “cities from Munich to Buffalo will begin competing with each other to attract migrants.” So, yes, climate migration is happening now, and will increase with the warming and ecological disasters coming our way. Legal protection and clearer definitions are needed, but it’s not all gloom. Climate migrants don’t only spell disaster, they also spell opportunity for those countries wise enough to see it.

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As Indiana Heat Wave Persists, Duke Energy Offers Customers Ways To Save On Summer Energy Bills

With summer temperatures soaring this week, Duke Energy is reminding customers to check out the latest assistance programs that can help them save energy and money.

“We know that summer means increases in the amount of electricity that our residential customers use,” said Larry Hatcher, senior vice president, customer experience and services. “We want our customers to know they have choices and control over their energy use.”

Customer assistance programs fall into three categories – energy efficiency, which help customers use less energy; flexible payment options; and programs designed for income-qualified customers.

Energy Efficiency

Energy efficiency assistance can range from simple conservation tips to a number of programs to help customers use less energy. They include:

- Usage Alerts: Customers with smart meters who have an email registered with Duke Energy can receive daily or mid-bill cycle alerts that show current energy use and a projection of that month’s bill at the current rate of usage.

•Power Manager: Power Manager is a voluntary program that offers customers financial incentives to allow Duke Energy to make minor adjustments to their thermostats or reduce the run time of their HVAC systems during peak electric demand periods.

•Home audits: Sign up for a free in-home energy efficiency assessment. An energy expert will detail ways to increase efficiency and lower energy use and leave behind a free kit with energy-saving products valued at over \$180.

Billing and Payment Options

For customers who need additional flexibility in how they manage their bills, Duke Energy offers the following options:

- Budget Billing: For those who prefer one predictable payment every month, this program takes the swing out of seasonal energy bills with an average amount that’s periodically reviewed and adjusted.
- Pick Your Due Date: Great for those on a fixed income or for customers who like to manage personal finances once a month, this option allows customers to select their bill due date.

•Installment Payment Plans: Allows more flexibility to pay a past-due balance over a longer period, interest-free. Customers can request a few extra days or restructure the past-due balance into a monthly payment plan.

Income-Qualified Programs

Duke Energy partners with community and state agencies to help those who are income qualified to access a range of Duke Energy, state and federal assistance programs. Examples include:

- The Weatherization Program: Helps income-qualified customers save energy and reduce expenses through energy conservation measures like weatherstripping and HVAC repairs or replacements.
 - The Share the Light Fund: Assists qualifying customers struggling to pay their energy bills. Employees, customers and Duke Energy shareholders contribute to these funds, which are distributed through statewide community action agencies.
- For more information on programs available, customers can visit duke-energy.com or call 800.521.2232.

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exhausted. You know you have a family to contact but want to wait until you have more news to share. There you sit in a cold hospital ER watching the nurses rush by the door urgently caring for others.

In the hours leading up to this moment, our day was what some would say was unremarkable. We all have the same chores to do around the house as others. Mow the grass, do the laundry, and all the other mundane responsibilities.

A phone call I made to 911 changed everything last Monday evening. Not an easy call to make, but I knew I couldn't handle the situation alone. This was the only time I could recall opening my front door and inviting a group of strangers inside without question. The least of my worries was whether my kitchen dishes were done or if there was dust on the bookshelves. I can't remember how many were there, two, four, six; I must admit I was numb to my surroundings.

We are so very fortunate to live in a small community. My only saving grace in keeping my composure was seeing a familiar face standing there in uniform. The many unfamiliar faces kept asking me over and over if I was OK. I guess I caught the young men and women off guard. I repeated the signs and symptoms of Tony's dilemma in a calm defining manner over and over. Each reassured me they would take good care of him.

What put my mind at ease and kept me firmly grounded in all was that one familiar face. You never know how you will react at such a difficult time. But seeing that seasoned veteran on the CFD put everything in perspective. Having worked closely for years with the different police and fire departments in Montgomery County, they have reason to earn my respect for the many hats they wear and the sometimes thankless jobs they do each day.

Officers such as CFD Jim Fulwider, CPD Bob Rivers, Jeff Line, Jeff Largent, MC Sheriff Ryan Needham and more all balance the definition of living in a small-town grand community such as ours.

Thinking back on all the excitement at the house, it seemed like we moved every piece of furniture to bring the gurney inside. I will never know how it fits in the bedroom as they rolled Tony out the front door to the ambulance. I told him to be good to the

paramedics and not tell bad jokes. His parting words as they took him out the front door were, "Don't forget to bring my hat."

From my perspective, I refer to such events as the Circles of Life. The past few weeks have been an overwhelming challenge to stay grounded. You are attempting to balance the demands of daily living with the expectations that others place squarely on your shoulders. Sharing that smile and polite conversation with the neighbors across the street. All the while hoping your sunglasses cover your bloodshot eyes from not having any sleep for nearly two days.

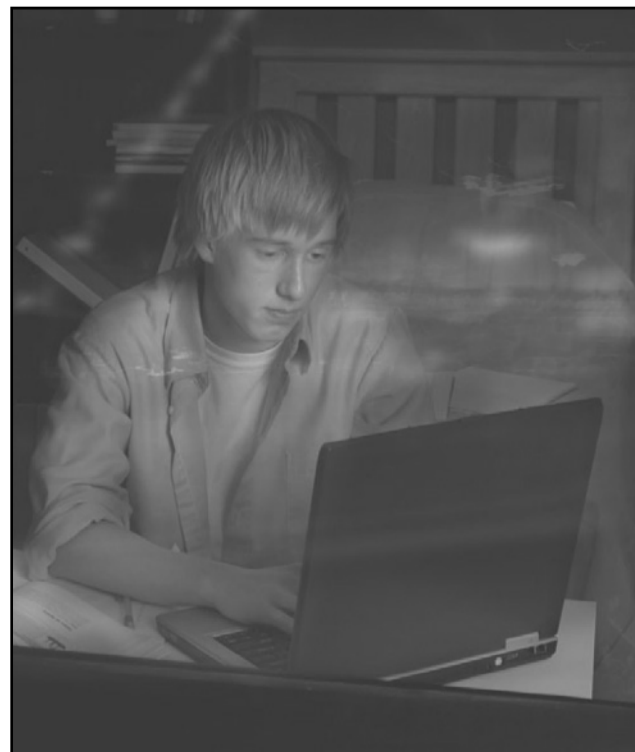
I'm not one to openly discuss what ails me or my family. You know you're getting old when the conversation at the restaurant centers around the aches and pains of aging. Once you pass a certain age, you tend to look at life differently. I look closer at a hummingbird sitting at the feeder by my window. Or maybe it's watching the wind whisper across the golden grasses of a wheat field.

As a kid, I wondered why grandma had so many pill bottles in the middle of the kitchen table on that round lazy susan. I understand now that my husband's pills take up an entire plastic tote on the shelf below his computer.

I've never been one to complain or discuss what ails me openly. Oh, I will listen to the aches and pains of others. If sharing their discomfort will ease their own, I will take the time to lend an ear.

It's 4:30 a.m. on the second night of our stay at IU West. No amount of time or preparation will ever prepare you for what may happen in that Circle of Life. The true blessing of all that Tony has endured is the fact that modern medicine has come so far in the last 50 years. Without the many different medications and procedures, he has had in the last 17 years, he would not be here today. I am sure many others feel the same. Heart surgery, cancer and transplant programs have allowed all to embrace that Circle of Life with their families as long as possible. Tony has one saying that he shares often. It's, "getting old isn't for wimps." I know if he's starts telling bad jokes to his care team he's feeling better.

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amazing violinist, he enjoyed entertaining. At any time, he would drop his work and aide a neighbor. Much proof to his own honesty and thinking such of others.

At age 23, Napoleon married Malinda Crisler in Montgomery County and they would care for her parents in their old age for several years. Bony and Malinda would remain married for 59 years until her death. They parented five children, Susan Elizabeth, Mary Jane, John William, George Wesley and David Allen.

His Waveland Independent (14 Feb 1908) obituary noted that many monuments were peppered around the area in his memory including several buildings at Deers Mill (flour, woolen and saw mills that sadly, burned in 1887) but Freedom Church, as well as numerous barns and dwellings in Putnam, Vigo, Parke, Fountain and Montgomery County.

Bony and Malinda's first child, Susan Elizabeth, was born six days before Christmas in 1849 and sadly passed away 24 Feb 1859. She is buried in the Crisler Cemetery.

Their second child and daughter, Mary Jane was born on Halloween day in 1853, Brown Township, of course. She married Abraham Burk and they had no children. She was but 55 at her death, an active member of Freedom Baptist Church for 36 years of that.

First son was John William born 13 August

1859 took his father's main career, carpentry and married Dorinda Sprague. They were married about 50 years, having children: Bessie, Bertha, George, Elva, Jesse, another son as well as Clara who died young.

Son David Allen (1865-1932) married Della Brewer and as far as I know had two daughters, Ruth and Marie. He was an engineer for 30 years on the PA Railroad.

Bony and Malinda's other son, George Wesley was born 4 Nov 1861, farmed with his father, but sadly didn't live long enough to really start a life, passing away 9 July 1885. He is buried in Freedom cemetery as are Bony and Malinda (cemetery photo picture on FindAGrave by Nancy Pickel - thanks so much)

It seems Bony and Malinda had a wonderful life, overall, with mainly joys and love but of course as with any family, some sorrows as well. With many talents, he seemed to be a quiet, sweet, smart man! Oh, and I didn't find anyone on the GenWeb page who was in the Napoleonic wars but sure glad Napoleon Bonaparte Reynolds popped up - he was quite the joy to research and share with you!!!

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Young Supports Bill To Protect Access To AM Radio For Hoosiers

U.S. Senator Todd Young, a member of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, cosponsored the bipartisan AM for Every Vehicle Act. This bill would guarantee the ongoing availability of AM broadcast in new vehicles without any additional costs to the consumer.

"AM radio plays a vital role in preserving public safety across Indiana. By delivering important weather updates, local news, and emergency and disaster response information, this bill will ensure Hoosiers - especially those in the most rural areas - continue to have access to this critical communication tool," said Senator Young.

The AM for Every Vehicle Act would:

- Direct the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to issue a rule that requires automakers to maintain AM broadcast radio in their vehicles without a separate or additional payment, fee, or surcharge;

- Require any automaker that sells vehicles without access to AM broadcast radio before the effective date of the NHTSA regulation to clearly disclose to consumers that the vehicle lacks access to AM broadcast radio; and

- Direct the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to study whether alternative communication systems could fully replicate the reach and effectiveness of AM broadcast radio for alerting the public to emergencies.

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