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**➔ TODAY'S VERSE**

Acts 2:38 Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

**➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY**

People who call our community their own.



Lily, Doris (Owner) and Kimberly of the Breakfast Club offered one of our roving photographers winning smiles while accepting their Readers' Choice 2023 Award. Thank you for your smiles!

**➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:**

**1** Kiwanis is in the process of purchasing a bike for a young man here in Crawfordsville. They are raising money through a GoFundMe page and are asking that you post this in your respective papers. <https://gofund.me/b2d12490>

**2** State Sen. Brian Buchanan (R-Lebanon) discussed Indiana's Education Scholarship Accounts (ESA) with officials from the Indiana State Treasurer's office and participating families during a virtual presentation today. The event featured testimony from families with children with disabilities seeking a comprehensive and tailored education, and discussed ways Hoosier parents can receive funding to meet those needs. ESAs provide scholarships to students with disabilities. Funds can be used to access an educational environment that best fits their learning needs. "I am a proud supporter of the Indiana ESA Program," Buchanan said. "This program helps Hoosier families of children with disabilities get the flexibility they need to ensure their students receive the education they deserve." Families have until Sept. 1 to apply for the program at [in.gov/tos/inesa](http://in.gov/tos/inesa). Those with questions about the ESA Program are encouraged to contact the Treasurer's office by phone at 317-232-3072 or by email at [ESA@tos.in.gov](mailto:ESA@tos.in.gov).

**3** To live on the moon or Mars, humans will need heat and air conditioning that can operate long term in reduced gravity and temperatures hundreds of degrees above or below what we experience on Earth. A Purdue University experiment that launched Aug. 1 on Northrop Grumman's 19th commercial resupply services mission (NG-19) to the International Space Station for NASA aims to collect data scientists need to answer decades-old questions about how boiling and condensation work in reduced gravity.

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**Butch Relates Great Memories From Don Weliever**



**BUTCH DALE**  
Columnist

The Weliever families have been an integral part of the Darlington community since the late 1800's. One of the most well-known "characters" was Don Weliever, who was born in 1920 and graduated from DHS in 1938. He married Emma Lou Vannice, and they became the parents of four children... Steve, Stan, Sabra, and Stu. Sadly, both Don and Emma Lou have passed away, but several years ago Don, with his wife's help, recalled some of the best memories of growing up in Darlington, and these were recorded by Margaret Wray...

"Skeet Wray owned the pool room and barbershop. Slim Greve and Bub Carson were the barbers. When you were little enough to sit on a board across the arm of the chair, you got a free homemade ice cream lollipop, and if you were lucky enough to get a pink one, you got another one free."

"Dick (Don's older brother) and I sold horseradish that mother made. One customer asked Dick, 'How much?' and he said, 'Mom said to ask fifteen cents, but if I couldn't get that...take a dime.'"

"Dad bought the farm right before the Depression. For years after that he had to pay \$84 interest twice a year on the money borrowed. The insurance company didn't care about the principal, they just wanted the interest. As soon as he paid the \$84, he had to start saving for the next payment."

"We ran a dairy in the 1930's. We bottled milk and delivered it in town. The price was 8 cents a quart, 5 cents a pint, and 2 1/2 cents a half pint. In the summer we had to make two deliveries because most people couldn't keep it from spoiling."

"When we were sick to our stomachs, Dad would take us to Lane and Wever drug store and buy us a root beer with Castor oil in it. You hit the outhouse and used several pages of the Sears and Roebuck catalog!"

"There were two water pumps on Main Street. One was in front of Frank Miles'



Don Weliever  
1964

Photo courtesy of Butch Dale

shoe shop, and the other was in front of Cal Toney's shoe shop. There was a tin cup for everybody's use."

"In 1933, the Boy Scouts went to the World's Fair in Chicago. I don't know where we got the money. Shorty Anderson took us in his stock truck and we rode in the back. The furniture store let us use their blanket pads to sleep on."

➔ See BUTCH Page 44

**Ready To Rock The School Year: Back-To-School Dinner Prep And Exercise Routine**



**MONICA NAGELE**  
Purdue Extension Office



As summer winds down, families are gearing up for the much-anticipated back-to-school season. Establishing a balanced routine that includes nutritious dinner preparation and regular exercise can make the transition smooth and enjoyable for both parents and children.

Planning and preparing dinners in advance can save valuable time and ensure your family enjoys wholesome meals together. Here are some tips for mastering back-to-school dinner prep:

- Meal Planning: Create a weekly menu with lean proteins, whole grains, and plenty of fruits and vegetables. Get your kids involved by letting them choose a few meals each week.
- Make-Ahead Lunches: Prepare extra portions during dinner for the next day's lunchboxes. This saves time and ensures your kids have nutritious options at school.
- Frozen Convenience:

Keep the freezer stocked with pre-portioned ingredients like chopped vegetables, marinated meats, and cooked grains for quick weeknight cooking.

•Family Bonding: Involve your children in the kitchen to instill healthy eating habits and create lasting memories. Assign age-appropriate tasks, such as washing vegetables or setting the table.

As parents gear up for back-to-school, it's essential to strike a balance between family responsibilities and personal well-being. While preparing nutritious dinners for the family, it's equally important for parents to maintain their own exercise routine. Here's how parents can find time for their well-being amidst the school year's hustle and bustle:

- Morning Power Hour: Wake up just 30 minutes earlier than your kids for a quick workout or brisk walk around the neighborhood.
- Lunch Break Fitness: Use your lunch break at work for a short workout, whether it's a walk or bodyweight exercises in a nearby park.
- Evening Workout Ritual: Designate a specific time in the evening for your workout. Having a consistent schedule will help you stick to your exercise routine.
- Be Realistic: Set achievable exercise goals that align with

your daily schedule. Start with a few days a week and gradually increase frequency. Identify time-wasting activities or distractions and replace them with exercise. Consider the time you are waiting around to pick up a child and create space for physical activity.

Remember, maintaining your exercise routine benefits your physical health, mood, and energy levels. By finding creative ways to incorporate exercise into your daily life, you set a positive example for your children and show them the importance of prioritizing self-care amidst their busy schedules. A balanced approach to back-to-school preparations will ensure a successful and healthy start to the new academic year for the entire family.

By adopting these practical tips for back-to-school dinner prep and exercise routines, you can ensure your family is ready to conquer the school year with energy and enthusiasm. A healthy lifestyle is a journey, and small steps lead to big changes over time. Let's welcome the new school year with open arms and a commitment to well-being.

- Monica Nagele is the County Extension Director and educator of health and human science for the Montgomery County Purdue Extension.

**The Daily Almanac**

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Today is...

- International Beer Day
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- U.S. Coast Guard Day

What Happened On This Day

- 1944 Anne Frank is captured. One of the most well-known figures of the 20th century and a victim of the Holocaust, 14-year old Frank and her family were captured and arrested by the Germans from their hiding place in Amsterdam.
- 1914 Britain declares war on Germany. Seen by many as the decision that began the first World War, Britain declared war on Germany after Germany refused to accept its ultimatum of getting out of Belgium.
- 1892 Abby and Andrew Borden are murdered. The bloody murders of the two Fall River, Massachusetts residents in their own home gained media and public attention in the United States because their daughter Lizzie Borden was accused of the crime.

Births On This Day

- 1961 Barack Obama American politician, 44th President of the United States, Nobel Prize laureate
- 1901 Louis Armstrong American trumpeter, singer

Deaths On This Day

- 2007 Raul Hilberg Austrian/American political scientist, historian
- 1875 Hans Christian Andersen Danish author, poet

**➔ HONEST HOOSIER**

Friday Night Lights are just two weeks away. I can almost smell the popcorn now.



**➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

New babies should sleep on their backs or sides. 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](http://www.thepaper24-7.com).



**➔ INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION**

Kenny Thompson.....A3  
Classifieds.....A3  
Dick Wolfsie.....A4

**➔ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE**

**Railroad Fair!**

The 3rd annual Midwest Railroad Fair, presented by the Linden Depot Museum, is scheduled for Saturday Aug. 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Linden Depot Museum.

**➔ TODAY'S QUOTE**

"If you want to live a happy life, tie it to a goal, not to people or things."  
Albert Einstein

**➔ TODAY'S JOKE**

A young couple had a baby girl and named her Junejulyaugust. They call her Summer for short.

**➔ OBITUARIES**

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## Chamber Of Commerce Celebrates Grand Re-Opening For Emporium 109

The Crawfordsville / Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce was delighted to host a ceremonial ribbon cutting to celebrate the grand re-opening of Emporium 109 after a complete remodel. Emporium 109 now has

a full bar and restaurant seating separate from the family dining area. They added an outdoor beer garden including a full bar and the full dining menu located in the back of the restaurant along with scheduled live music and entertainment.

Emporium 109 also offers a catering service tailored to the guests needs, not limited to what is offered on the daily menu.

Emporium 109 is located at 109 E. Main Street in Ladoga. Follow them on Facebook to see

their upcoming events, food, and drink specials. For additional information regarding the chamber, visit the website at [crawfordsvillechamber.com](http://crawfordsvillechamber.com) or email Stacy Sommer at [ssommer@crawfordsvillechamber.com](mailto:ssommer@crawfordsvillechamber.com).

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# Gordon Graham, Greatest Of All Time



**KENNY THOMPSON**  
Columnist

In the long history of Purdue University athletics, no one covered the Boilermakers like Gordon Graham.

Until failing health in 1965 forced him to miss Purdue's 38-0 season-opening victory over Miami (Ohio), Graham covered 329 consecutive home and away Boilermaker football games.

Graham rose to prominence at the Lafayette Journal and Courier in a different time. As sports editor from the age of 20 until his death on June 20, 1966 at the age of 57, Graham was the definitive word in Purdue sports.

J&C publisher Jack Scott learned that lesson in 1964 when he suggested that reporting in detail about Purdue's Saturday football game in Monday evening's paper (the Journal and Courier did not publish on Sundays back then) didn't make much sense since the game would have been covered in its entirety by then with radio, TV and the Indianapolis Star.

Scott wrote in his tribute to Graham that the response from readers fell just short of threatening physical violence.

"It's not official until Gordon writes it up."

"Why do you think Purdue alumni around the country subscribe to the Journal and Courier?"

Such was Graham's power in the community that when he called for Purdue basketball coach Mel Taube's resignation in January 1950, a column some believed was ordered by Journal and Courier owner Henry Marshall, the beleaguered coach had little choice. At the time, Taube called the column "a little bit lousier than Pearl Harbor."

After dropping out of Purdue, Graham's first byline story as sports editor came on Feb. 25, 1929, fittingly a preview of the Purdue-Wisconsin basketball game. His legendary column, "Graham Crackers" debuted June 6, 1933. For the next 33

years, everything that went on in Lafayette sports was detailed by Graham.

As the years passed, Graham had offers to join larger newspapers. He declined them because, as he put it, "I already have the best job in the country right now."

Graham was selected Indiana Sportswriter of the Year in 1960 and 1966, the latter honor coming just weeks before his death from kidney failure.

"He was a real confidant and advisor, and was vital to any success I may have had at Purdue," Purdue football coach Jack Mollenkopf said in his tribute.

Graham had always wished to cover Purdue in the Rose Bowl. As cruel fate would have it, the Boilermakers made it to Pasadena just months after Graham's death.

Graham was inducted into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame in 1988.

"Undoubtedly the most popular with the readers of any personality in the history of Lafayette journalism," Graham's Hall of Fame biography states.

Only one man since Graham has come close to covering Purdue football and basketball with the same depth and following.

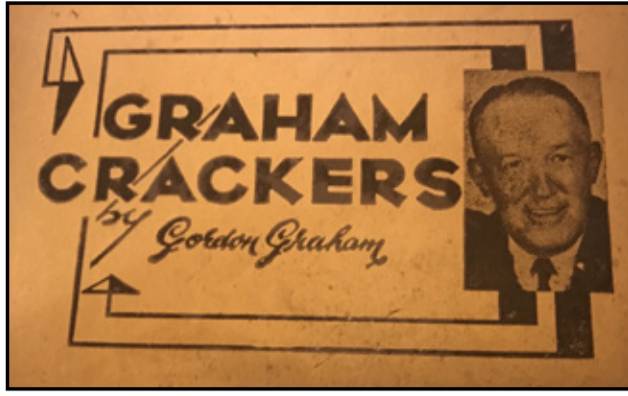
Today, Tom Kubat is president of the Indiana Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association.

Before retiring in 2008 from the Journal and Courier, Kubat spent 40 years in Lafayette. Ironically, Kubat came to Purdue country after graduating from Indiana University.

Besides being a mentor to this columnist and other young sportswriters, Kubat covered Purdue men's basketball during Gene Keady's first five seasons with the Boilermakers. Shifting to Purdue football in 1986, Kubat covered the lean years under coaches Fred Akers and Jim Colletto before Joe Tiller brought winning, and lots of holidays away from home, for Kubat and Purdue fans.

At the peak of Tiller's reign, Kubat teamed up with the coach for a book titled, "Tiller: Not Your Average Joe."

Fittingly, Joe Tiller's final game in 2008, a 62-10 Boilermaker victory against Indiana, was also



Kubat's farewell to the Purdue football beat.

Kubat was inducted into the Indiana Sportswriters and Sportscasters Hall of Fame in 2007. He joined fellow Journal and Courier sports alumni Graham (the inaugural class of 1996), George Bolinger (2002) and Dick Ham (2002).

Other honors include the Ron Lemasters Lifetime Achievement Award and his induction less than a month ago into the Indiana Football Hall of Fame.

Kubat's successor on the Purdue football beat, Mike Carmin, was named the Corky Lamm Sportswriter of the Year in 2019.

Carmin rose from freelance reporter covering high school sports and Purdue women's basketball to a full-time position. He covered the 1999 women's basketball national championship team and closed his Journal and Courier career by covering Boilermaker football from 2009 to 2022.

Jeff Washburn, or "Wash" as just about everyone in the community called him, was also honored as Indiana Sportswriter of the Year in 1991.

While he was mostly known for his coverage of high school sports, which earned him the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame's Silver Medal in 2011, Washburn also was the Journal and Courier's main Purdue football beat writer for a couple of seasons during the Leon Burnett era. "Wash" and Burnett had a love of football and a good time in common so it was no surprise they had an immediate rapport.

Washburn took over the Purdue men's basketball beat in 1994, an assignment he held for nearly 20 years until changing times in the newspaper industry led to his departure from

Photo courtesy of Ken Thompson the only place he ever wanted to work.

He became close with another Hall of Famer, Purdue coach Gene Keady, and co-authored his autobiography "Gene Keady: The Truth and Nothing But The Truth." He was so respected by Keady's successor, Matt Painter, that every postgame press conference in Mackey Arena began with a question from "Wash."

After leaving the Journal and Courier, Washburn managed to continue covering Purdue basketball and other sports through various media outlets over the next three years. Not even a fatal cancer diagnosis could keep "Wash" away from Ross-Ade Stadium or Mackey Arena. Washburn died on Sept. 29, 2017, just hours after covering Purdue basketball's 66-57 victory over Louisville in the Big Ten/ACC Challenge.

Indiana state senator Ron Alting (R-Lafayette) said it best while reading a special resolution to Washburn's widow, Cheryl, in the Senate Chamber.

"I have never met a person more passionate about his career than Jeff Washburn," Alting said. "It is a blessing to go to a job every single day and love it, and to be extremely good at that job. That was Jeff."

"He had three offices - the baseball diamond, the basketball court and the football field. ... He will forever be a legend in the sports reporting world and our community."

- 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.

## School Bus Safety Enforcement Campaign Under Way In Indiana

As students head back to the classroom, state and local law enforcement agencies are reminding motorists to stop for school buses or face the consequences. Over the next couple of weeks, officers will be increasing patrols to prevent stop-arm violations, speeding and other forms of reckless driving around school buses and in school zones.

More than 200 agencies are participating in the back-to-school Stop Arm Violation Enforcement campaign - better known as SAVE. The overtime patrols are funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through grants administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI).

Despite thousands of motorists being cited under the SAVE program, unsafe driving around school buses continues to be a concern, according to state officials.

In April, thousands of bus drivers who participated in a one-day observational survey counted 2,091 stop-arm violations in Indiana. That one-day total, when multiplied by the number of school days, adds up to a potential 376,380 violations throughout the school year.

"It is disheartening that we still have people who are willing to put the lives of students and bus drivers at risk," said Devon McDonald, ICJI Executive Director. "Law enforcement cannot be everywhere, so it is up to drivers to do the right thing and exercise caution around school buses. Students' lives depend on it."

The data comes from the National School Bus Illegal Passing Driver Survey, which is managed by the Indiana Department of Education in the state. This year, data collection took place on April 25, with 6,665 bus drivers

participating from 195 school districts.

To prevent unsafe driving, officers will use a range of enforcement strategies from high-visibility patrols to police spotters on buses. For each jurisdiction, officers will coordinate with local bus drivers and school transportation officials, with efforts concentrating in the morning and afternoon hours. Agencies will also be working to raise awareness about the importance of school bus safety and following the law.

Drivers should slow down and prepare to stop when the overhead lights on a school bus are flashing yellow. Once the lights turn red and the stop arm extends, drivers are required to stop on all roads with one exception. On highways divided by a physical barrier, such as a concrete wall or grassy median, only vehicles traveling in the same direction as the school bus are required to stop.

Motorists should also be mindful of posted speed limits, avoid distractions and watch for children in or near school and residential areas. Planning ahead and allowing for extra time during each commute will help keep all road users safe.

Disregarding a school bus stop arm is a Class A Infraction. Violators could pay a fine of up to \$10,000, have their license suspended for up to 90 days for the first offense or up to 1 year for the second.

If the person disregarding a school bus stop arm causes bodily injury to a person, the offense becomes a Class 6 felony. Violators face anywhere from six months to two and a half years in jail. If someone is killed, the offense becomes a Class 5 felony, carrying a sentence between one year and six years.

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# Popcorn Kernel Of Truth



**DICK WOLFSIE**  
Funny Bone

Mary Ellen and I went out to see a movie last week with our friends Bob and Cathy. "Are you going to get popcorn again,

at a time. Yes, two bites per kernel. She claims that this helps her rhythm and draws her into the movie. Out of the corner of my eye, I watch my wife's arm go down to the box, up to her mouth. Up and down. Up and down. Up and down. For two hours. AHHHHHH!

"She pretty much follows a similar routine at home. After we have searched for a good flick or series on Netflix, Mary Ellen is at the stove to make popcorn the old-fashion way. Just oil and popcorn in a pot. Which she meticulously jiggles at the right speed so every kernel is popped. The movie starts and the routine begins. One piece at a time, every 10 seconds for the entire show. About 500 times. If she preferred M&Ms, she'd weigh 400 pounds.

Here's the right way to eat popcorn in a movie. Dig way down into the container, which spews the popcorn all over the person in the seat next to you. Take an entire handful, shake the kernels up in your fist like a pair of dice and throw several into your mouth at one time. Then while still chewing, reload and prepare to fire again. This is how Orville Redenbacher wanted you to do it. You could look it up. Heaven knows why there aren't instructions on the popcorn box.

The next day her fitness trainer, Justin, asked her if she had been doing her upper body exercises. "Yes, I did them for three hours last night," she said. "When we went to see 'Oppenheimer' at the movies."

*- Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper of Montgomery County. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.*

Mary Ellen?" "I have to. It's been a movie tradition for me since high school."

"So was necking in the balcony, but you cut that out completely after we got married."

Once we reach the theater, the tension rises.

"Dick, I'll find seats for the four of us. You wait in line for the popcorn."

"Why do I have to wait in line? I don't even like popcorn. And when I come into the movie theater, you'll forget to look around for me. Then I walk aimlessly up and down the aisles while people stare at me. Everyone assumes I'm all alone and have no one to sit with. Or I'll wave my cell phone flashlight to get your attention and all three of you slump down in your seats while you laugh hysterically. At the Tom Cruise movie, I never found where you guys were sitting, but I did get my 10,000 steps in searching for you.

Of course, I do wait in line and buy the popcorn as directed. It drives me crazy that you pay about six bucks for a bucket of air. What a rip off. And I don't let my wife forget it...

"Did you know, Mary Ellen, that when I was a kid, popcorn in the theater was only a quarter?"

"Yes, and here's another update, the actors in films are talking now."

"And then there's eating the popcorn. Mary Ellen takes one piece from the top of the box with two fingers, then bites off half

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It was a big trip for us. That was the first time we had seen electric bumper cars...ten cents a ride. I spent my last three dimes on them. Sally Rand, the fan dancer, was there, but they wouldn't let us in!"

"Medicine shows came to town in the summer. I also remember Harley Cain playing his accordion on the steet corner. Later on there were band concerts held on Wednesday nights. Wally VanCleave had a one-man band mounted on his Model T touring car. Jim Parks once wrestled a bear at the park, and another time there was an ugly man and prettiest girl contest."

"When we were in high school, a lot of us boys joined the National Guard. We were 15 years old. They paid \$13.00 every quarter, which was good money then. During the flood of 1937, we were called out for flood duty. Seven of us members of the basketball team were gone for two weeks. When WWII came along, we thought we were going to be gone for a year, but most of us came back home five years later after serving in the Pacific theater."

"During the 1920's and 1930's, there were three banks, four groceries, two

blacksmiths, dry goods and shoe stores, two shoe repair shops...and don't forget Rettinger's Studio with his penny pictures. Also Aniel Booher's hardware and harness shop, a furniture store, drug store, two doctors and one dentist. Ray Anderson sold International tractors, Emory Charters sold John Deere. Dad and Uncle Rob had the first Ford and Fordson agency in town and later sold out to the Thompson brothers. Alva Warren sold Maytags... both gas and electric."

"When I came back home from the service, I bought a new 1947 Ford Deluxe coupe for \$1475.00."

Don and his fellow 1938 classmate, Eugene "Beamer" Hampton, were both severely wounded by Japanese enemy fire during the war, but they never complained. They were proud to have served their country...and grateful to be able to come back and live life to their fullest in their hometown...good ol' Darlington, Indiana.

*- John "Butch" Dale is a retired teacher and County Sheriff. He has also been the librarian at Darlington the past 32 years, and is a well-known artist and author of local history.*

# Duke Energy's Home Energy House Call Program Helps Indiana Customers Save Energy And Money

Eligible customers can sign up for a free in-house energy assessment (valued at \$180) that's designed to help them improve home energy efficiency and save on monthly bills.

Summer means higher electric use and often higher energy bills. Duke Energy is encouraging customers to take advantage of its Home Energy House Call program to enhance their homes' energy efficiency and lower their bills.

Eligible customers can sign up online or call to schedule a free home energy assessment. An energy specialist will visit their home and analyze their total home energy usage. They will check for air leaks, examine insulation levels, and review their appliances and heating/cooling system.

Based on the information collected, Duke Energy's experts will give homeowners a custom-tailored report detailing steps they can take to increase efficiency and lower their energy bills. Customers

will also receive a free Energy Efficiency Starter Kit, which includes an energy-efficient showerhead, kitchen and bathroom faucet aerators, hot water pipe wrap and weather-stripping. The company's energy specialists can install the items during their visit so the customer can start saving energy right away.

Program participants also have the option to purchase a Google Nest Thermostat at a discounted rate with free installation.

The Home Energy House Call program is offered to Duke Energy customers who have owned a single-family home for at least four months and have an electric water heater, electric heat or central air conditioning. Mobile homes and rental properties do not qualify.

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