

TODAY'S VERSE

Luke 10:19 I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

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Stacey Cornett, Crossroads Furniture Owner, gave one of our roving photographers a winning smile while receiving her Readers' Choice Award.

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Amber Worrick of Southfield, MI went grocery shopping recently. When she got home her daughter was helping her unpack and suddenly let out a scream when she spotted a live frog in the plastic package containing the spinach.

2 You can imagine the shock Crystal Collins of Hollywood, FL had when her husband discovered an iguana in a toilet bowl in their home recently. "We both looked at each other like what are we going to do. I joked about burning the house down.

3 Cailyn McRossie-Martinez and Brandon Martinez of Boulder, CO were married recently and, boy, did they have a wedding reception they'll never forget. For one thing, the day featured what was described as monsoon rains and then a bear showed up at their wedding reception.

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Lunch With Mayor: On Groceries And Why It's So Hard To Recruit Retailers



The League of Women Voters, open to men as well as women, is a nonpartisan, multi-issue political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government.

Todd Barton said two questions follow him when he's on the town. When are we going to get another grocery store? And what about housing?

"Anyone who knows you, knows you want more options," he shared a snippet of a conversation with his wife that encapsulated one of his frustrations when Barton spoke at Lunch with the League Aug. 4.

While much of what he shared is largely available via his podcast Crawfordsville Connection and on WBAA's monthly Q&A on Ask the Mayor, this opportunity afforded everyone some face-to-face time to let the mayor know what matters to them.

Barton opened with an update on the projects that make the city a community desirable to live in - pickleball courts,



The Paper file photo courtesy of Southmont Schools

Milligan Park pool and three exciting park developments. The ever-more popular sport, pickleball, will give basketball some competition at Lincoln Park, and the age of the city pool calls for planning while the jazzy new Frances Wooden Park next to the historic Bethel AME Church is soon to be dedicated.

Two other new parks, including the puzzle park coming (thanks to Will Shortz), were highlights.

But the real questions weren't about parks. They included:

- What's happening with the Ben Hur Building?
•What will happen with solar

since the county passed ordinances restricting it?

•What can we do about the economic damage that dollar stores create?

•Will the hospital ever offer a delivery wing for birth again?

•What's happening with Acension St. Vincent shuttering its services?

A mayor may not be able to please 16,000 people at once, but the grocery question is a bugaboo for him. People want one, many want an Aldi, and many are asking about the east

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Best-Selling Author Has Fond Memories Of Montgomery County



TIM TIMMONS Two Cents

A dozen or so years ago, my wife and I read a fascinating book - One Second After. It was a riveting story about a small town in the mountains of

North Carolina and the people who live there. One spring afternoon, the power goes out. Phone lines are dead, cars won't start . . . the U.S. has been hit with an EMP - electromagnetic pulse - attack.

Over the new few hundred pages, the reader follows the story of a family and their community trying to survive in a world drastically different than the one they woke up in on that May day.

It's not just well written - it's scary realistic as the writer describes how quickly society dissolves into chaos. Lawlessness reigns, but that's only part

of the problem. Medicines that require refrigeration are gone. A local nursing home suffers multiple fatalities. Minor mishaps turn into life-threatening emergencies.

This isn't a process that takes months or years, but days and weeks.

It's a stark and arguably realistic look at exactly how fragile our world really is just below the surface.

The writer is William R. Forstchen, a prodigious author with dozens of books to his credit. He is a professor emeritus of history and creative writing at Montreat College in western North Carolina. One Second After was not his first book, but it did end up being the first in a series that includes One Year After and The Final Day. This week sees the release of a fourth and what Forstchen said is likely the last book in the series - Five Years After: A John Matherson Novel.

Forstchen was born in New Jersey and now teaches in North

Carolina. But he has a strong Indiana - and Montgomery County - connection. He got his doctorate at Purdue. While there, he used to travel south.

"Crawfordsville? You're in Crawfordsville?" he said on the phone. "I used to come down there and go canoeing on Sugar Creek! What a great experience."

How did he get from Purdue to the creek?

"The general," he said. "I went to Purdue and within a couple of weeks I found out about the general and came down to see the study."

Forstchen said he had great times at the Lew Wallace Study and while he was visiting heard about Sugar Creek.

"When you are floating along and come up on those covered bridges, it's just spectacular."

Forstchen took a little time recently to talk about Five Years After - a book he said he really hadn't planned on writing.

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset RISE: 6:58 a.m. SET: 8:45 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures High: 80 °F Low: 56 °F Today is...

- National Airborne Day
• National Rum Day
• True Love Forever Day



What Happened On This Day

• 1960 Cyprus Attains Freedom From the British. The mediterranean island country first came under British control in the early 20th century as a strategic British outpost.

• 1954 First Issue of Sports Illustrated Hits the Newsstands. The sports magazine which is famous for its annual swimsuit issue was not profitable for the first few years of its existence. The boost in spectator sports eventually helped it become successful.

• 1858 The First Transatlantic Telegraph Message is sent. The message sent by Britain's Queen Victoria to American President James Buchanan, read 'Europe and America are united by telegraphic communication. Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, goodwill to men.'

Births On This Day

• 1958 Madonna American singer-songwriter, actress, producer, director
• 1954 James Cameron Canadian film director, screenwriter, producer

Deaths On This Day

• 1977 Elvis Presley American singer, guitarist, actor
• 1959 William Halsey, Jr. American Admiral

HONEST HOOSIER

Do you realize that our tax dollars probably paid somebody in the government to change the term UFO to UAP. Glad that money was well spent!



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MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Get Another TASTE! Of Montgomery County:

The TASTE! of Montgomery County begins at noon on Saturday, August 26, and runs until 10 p.m. At the gate, admission is \$7 for adults and \$3 for students. Visitors can purchase advance sale Taste tickets at the Carriage House Interpretive Center of the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum, home of the Taste; the Montgomery County Visitors and Convention Bureau on the first floor of Fusion 54 at 101 West Main Street; Milligan's Flowers & Gifts at 115 East Main; Crawfordsville Parks & Recreation Community Center at 922 E. South Boulevard. Advance tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students.

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Most sinus infections are due to viruses and will get better without antibiotics.

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

"How far that little candle throws its beams. So shines a good deed in a naughty world." -William Shakespeare

TODAY'S JOKE

What's Forrest Gump's password? 1forrest1

OBITUARIES Howard Eugene Graham



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The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank Anthony Fisher for subscribing!





## OBITUARIES

### Howard Eugene Graham

March 11, 1945, Thursday, July 27, 2023

Howard Eugene Graham, age 78, passed away peacefully at Allisonville Meadows in Fishers, IN on Thursday, July 23. Born on March 11, 1945 to the late Dorsey Buford and Mary Wilda (Hedge) Graham, Howard was the last of 14 children.



Howard graduated from Turkey Run High School in (1963) where he played intramural basketball and ran cross country. He worked as a carpenter for several years after high school before hiring on at R.R. Donnelley & Sons in Crawfordsville. Howard married Rebecca Kay Goins in 1966, and they had two children together: Gretchen Louise Clore and Seth Frank Howard Graham. The couple divorced in 1990 and Howard never remarried.

In his spare time, Howard hunted, fished, read, and played cards. He was fond of movies, particularly Westerns. Howard enjoyed watching basketball, football, and baseball and appreciated the music of Nat King Cole, the Rolling Stones, Bill Withers, and Patti Page.

He was preceded in death by brothers Lester "Sonny" (Margaret), J. Richard (Sharon), Thomas (Margaret), Ernest (Sharon), Christian (Ruth), and an infant brother Charles; sisters Louise (Lloyd) Duncan, Katy (Harold) Newlin, Mary (Phillip) Zachary, and Elsie (Robert) Hatzell.

Howard is survived by a daughter, Gretchen (Derrick) Clore; a son, Seth; five grand-children: Jaydelin Gray, Zoey (Graham) Scott, Declan Lightfoot (Cal.), Kinley Clore, and Cole Clore; two brothers, Harvey (Peggy) and Robert (Doralee); and a sister, Berta Mae McAhren.

Loved ones may visit Howard at his final resting place in the Green Burial section of Oak Hill Cemetery, 392 W Oak Hill Road, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Community Health Network Foundation (Hospice) or the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI).

## Letters

### Senseless Vandalism Spoils Garden

Dear Editor,  
 Vandals in OUR garden!  
 FOOD FOR THOUGHT.

The Nicholson elementary students have a beautiful garden this year. With help and support from the Master Gardeners, parents and teachers; the 2nd and 3rd graders planted, cared for and are ready to harvest . . . only to find that their perfect-prize-cantaloupes had been smashed over the weekend. How awful that someone has nothing better to do!

Gardeners understand that weather, critters, insects and disease are factors in the success or failure of one's garden . . . do we have to add the human element too?

This recent trespass was certainly unexpected and we are disturbed and disheartened by this lack of respect for another's hard work and property.

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# Climate Change, Water Quality And Wetlands Among Key Topics At Indiana's 2023 Water Summit

By Casey Smith

Indiana Capital Chronicle

How are new developments, aging infrastructure and climate change affecting Hoosier water resources? Those were some of the key questions discussed at Indiana's 2023 Water Summit, hosted last week by the White River Alliance in Indianapolis.

Environmental and water experts, along with business leaders and policymakers, joined together at the annual symposium to talk about issues impacting Indiana's water supply — and what steps local and state leaders should take next.

The two-day event included specific dialogue around threats to Indiana's water quality and supply, the U.S. Supreme Court's recent wetlands decision, and a plan to divert billions of gallons of water per year from the Lafayette region down to Boone County for a controversial high-tech park.

Check out the other highlights from this year's summit — and a glimpse at what water-related actions could be taken by state lawmakers in future legislative sessions:

- How climate change is affecting Indiana — and what experts say needs to be done

- Indiana's climate is changing — and more changes are on the way.

Heavier rainfall and hotter, drier summers are likely in Indiana's future, said Keith Cherkauer, a Purdue University professor of agricultural and biological engineering and the director of the Indiana Water Resources Research Center.

Pointing to data published in the Indiana Climate Change Impacts Assessment, Cherkauer noted the Hoosier state will see 6 to 8% more rainfall by 2050 than it averaged in the recent past. The increasing precipitation will not fall evenly across the entire year, however.

Most of that increased precipitation is expected to come in the spring, while summers and falls are likely to become slightly drier than they are now.

That's because temperatures across Indiana are continuing to go up, too, causing evaporation to increase and making summers drier. Cherkauer said Hoosiers witnessed a little bit of that this summer with the early season

drought.

As the climate warms, rain is additionally predicted to take the place of much of the snow in the cold season from November through March. In southern Indiana, there will be little snowfall at all by late in the century. In the north, snowfall will be greatly reduced compared to the past, Cherkauer said.

"On average, we're looking at a little hotter, potentially drier summers that are not necessarily long, multi-year droughts like in the 1930s, but actually more flash droughts — so very rapid changes, increased temperatures and very rapidly drier conditions," he said. "It means that moving forward, we need to think about how we manage water."

Gabe Filippelli, who works at Indiana University's Environmental Resilience Institute, emphasized that climate change is already challenging Indiana's water infrastructure "significantly," especially due to "a lot more extreme precipitation events" than in the past.

"We're already seeing some of these impacts. We will be getting probably a little bit more precipitation, but it'll come in much, much larger, extreme precipitation events, and it will get substantially warmer," he said.

More rain is expected to lead to increased surface runoff, he continued. That can cause higher concentrations of pollutants, like E. coli, to move through streams and waterways, in addition to increasing occurrences of harmful algal blooms.

More "super warm" and dry summers can also have agricultural implications in the long-term, moving the corn and bean belts away from Indiana, Filippelli added. In more urban areas, cities will also face challenges with extreme, even deadly heat.

Sarah Beth Aubrey with IN-Climate said farmers want to be part of the solution. Improved communication with growers is key, she said, as long as "they aren't made to feel like their backs are against the wall."

"Two years ago, I would have said to you how to talk to farmers about climate, don't use the word climate. They don't want to feel vil-

fied," she said. "Some growers are very comfortable in the conservation space with the practices that they do today. Others feel like they're not sure what practices they can do. They're not sure how to pay for those, what they might cost, how they might change their labor and equipment needs, and so they may be more reticent to engage around that."

Filippelli further emphasized that while Hoosiers "need to stop putting carbon in the atmosphere ... this crazy weather that we're having is not going to go back to what it was 20 years ago" just addressing carbon alone. "We're locked into whatever the climate is — we're locked in for hundreds of years," he said.

Policymakers should be looking farther in the future when enacting new laws, he said, and be "much, much, much more intelligent with how we build flood maps and flood hazard zones. He also suggested that state and local leaders need to explore more ways to introduce green infrastructure — like planting trees and restoring wetlands."

## Floodplains and wetlands

Cherkauer said Indiana policymakers should focus more on wetlands and existing drainage channels that can store excess water in the winter and springs so it's available in the later, drier seasons.

Antonio Arenas Amado, a professor at Iowa State University, doubled down, saying there is an "urgent demand from municipalities for updated data to update their infrastructure design" to reflect the impact of climate change.

But in recent years, Indiana's Republican-dominated legislature has refused more "restrictive" water regulations. Instead, GOP-led efforts have resulted in rollbacks and removals of protections for certain wetlands.

A U.S. Supreme Court ruling from earlier this year will also effectively remove federal protections for most of Indiana's wetlands — and enable Hoosier lawmakers to repeal already-weakened state protections for those areas.

Rachele Baker, chief ecologist and president of central Indiana-based Little River Consultants, emphasized that wetlands

provide flood management, rainfall storage and water quality protection.

Baker said well-managed wetlands can replace "expensive" expenditures for regional water detention facilities, combined sewer overflow projects, water treatment and flood relief plants, as well as costs associated with endangered species protections, farming tile drains, buffer strips, and other infrastructure maintenance and repair.

"This is certainly not a solution to all of our climate change problems with respect to water supply, but certainly isolated wetlands exist as a partial solution, and we're not protecting them," Baker said. "Instead we're looking at, can we build massive infrastructure and save on all this water and then build infrastructure to send it out to everyone? I think that we need to be thinking more about protecting these isolated wetlands as a way of protecting our water supply."

## Threats to Indiana's water resources

PFAS and coal ash were additionally of high concern for environmental advocates who spoke at the summit.

Matt Prater with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's (IDEM) Drinking Water Branch outlined the agency's recent efforts to monitor and test for PFAS throughout the state's water supply.

PFAS are a group of human-made chemicals found in all kinds of non-stick and stain-resistant products — from pans, to carpets to fast-food wrappers. Among other things, exposure to them has been linked to kidney cancer, problems with the immune system and developmental issues in children.

IDEM's ongoing PFAS sampling project has already shown that 19 drinking water utilities in Indiana have levels of PFAS above federal health guidelines. More test results on the way later this year, Prater said.

A bill authored in the 2023 session by Rep. Maureen Bauer, D-South Bend, establishes a pilot program to monitor PFAS exposure in Hoosier firefighters. Bauer said at the summit that she hopes to pass more legislation tackling PFAS in the 2024 session.

Indra Frank, the Hoosier Environmental Coun-

cil's (HEC) director of environmental health and water policy, additionally pointed to Indiana's continued need to address coal ash.

Despite pushback from environmental advocates, Indiana lawmakers adopted new legislation earlier this year to prevent state environmental regulators from making stricter coal ash rules than federal ones.

"We have our standards we want to maintain (in Indiana)," Rep. David Abbott, R-Rome City, said about the new state law. "I think the over-restriction of the federal government is probably the biggest thing I get concerned about ... I like to be less restrictive and focus on our state without having an overreaching authority over us."

Frank said the policy decision was a step back for Indiana.

"As we see more precipitation and more of our precipitation falling in extreme storms — that puts coal ash sites at increased risk for flooding like it does everything else," Frank said.

"Yeah, it does cost money," she continued, talking about the proper disposal of coal ash.

"But we've been building appropriately engineered landfills for our municipal waste since the 1990s, and probably before in this state, and so it's just a matter of having the coal ash disposed of at least as carefully as we dispose of our municipal waste."

Draft federal regulations for toxic coal byproducts could cover nearly 50 exempted dumps spread across 14 locations in Indiana. The rule has not yet been finalized, though.

## Action at the state level and the Statehouse

State lawmakers at the summit also discussed a yearslong effort to create an option for Indiana counties to join together to form watershed development commissions. A bill, authored by Rep. Mike Aylesworth, R-Hebron, passed in the most recent legislative session.

The commissions can now work on both water quantity and water quality issues in their watershed by using small assessments on the properties within the watershed.

Watersheds are the natural boundaries for water movement in the landscape. The HEC has hailed the effort as a

positive move for water resource management in Indiana.

"We want to provide that option for the local governments to come together, create some body that gets people talking and coordinating efforts, and then provide you with a way to raise fees to implement that strategy," said Matt Meersman with the St. Joseph River Basin Commission.

Sen. Sue Glick, R-La-Grange, who sponsored Aylesworth's bill, said major development projects around Indiana warrants more attention to water resources — which local and regional stakeholders should have a hand in.

"If you're going to do major projects, such as the LEAP project, you better figure out early in development where the water com going to come from, or that's going to be a real sad place when they turn on the faucet and they don't have enough water," Glick said.

"We have to know where the water is. We have to know the strain, we have to know what kind of quality it is," she continued. "And that's where the watershed development commissions can be very effective and very important."

Rep. Carey Hamilton, D-Indianapolis, additionally said Indiana should do more to adopt green energy policies and practices.

"We're hearing from the Indiana Economic Development Corporation that virtually every company that wants to come to our state is looking for green energy," she said. "That is a priority for where they start their new businesses. We're going to start to hear about more failures of business attraction if we don't pivot to more green energy more quickly."

Hamilton said she will continue to push for a statewide climate change commission. Her bill to do just that got a hearing in 2020, but no vote.

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AN ORDINANCE REGULATING OPEN BURNING IN THE TOWN  
OF WINGATE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF  
SUCH REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, the burning of leaves and other residential trash has traditionally been tolerated as acceptable means of disposal;  
 BUT, in recent years public awareness has greatly increased with regard to the source of pollutants in our environment; and,  
 WHEREAS, it is quite evident that burning in general, including clean wood products, generates smoke which by its nature contains pollutants and contaminants to the environment that are harmful to human and animal life; and,  
 WHEREAS, said pollutants are a danger to the health, safety, and welfare of all the citizens of WINGATE and,  
 WHEREAS, the health and safety factors far outweigh the traditional tolerance of burning as a means of trash disposal.  
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of WINGATE that Ordinance No. 2023-02 is hereby adopted as follows:  
 1. Open burning is defined as the burning of any materials wherein air contaminants resulting from combustion are emitted directly into the air, without passing through a stack or chimney from an enclosed chamber  
 2. No person shall start, kindle, cause, allow, or maintain any form of open burning of any materials on private or public property, except as specifically authorized by this ordinance. No person shall allow the accumulation or existence of combustible material that constitutes or contributes to open burning.  
 3. Exemptions: The following types of burning are allowed:  
 a. The burning of charcoal, clean untreated wood, and other cooking fuels customarily used in an outdoor grill, traditional food cooking devices, or campfires.  
 b. Recreational fires shall be defined as an outdoor fire whose purpose is for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.  
 c. Only clean untreated wood or charcoal shall be used. Paper or petroleum products can be used for ignition purposes only. Construction materials or yard waste are strictly prohibited.  
 d. The fire shall not be ignited more than 2 hours before the recreational activity is to take place and shall be extinguished upon the conclusion of the activity.  
 e. The pile to be burned shall be less than 1000 cubic feet (for example: 10ft. x 10ft. x 10ft.).  
 f. The local fire department shall be notified 24 hours in advance if the pile to be burned is more than 125 cubic feet (for example: 5ft. x 5ft. x 5ft.).  
 g. The fire shall not be for disposal purposes.  
 h. The fire shall not be within 500 feet of a pipeline or fuel storage area.  
 4. Variances. Other types of fires may be approved as follows:  
 Any other type of fire whereby a citizen of the Town of WINGATE has obtained a variance from the provisions of this ordinance by petitioning the Town Council may be allowed. However, the Town Council cannot grant a variance for burning that would otherwise violate the provisions of the 326 Indiana Administrative Code 4-1 et seq. and as amended and Indiana Code 13-17-9.  
 The following types of fires may be allowed if approved by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management:  
 a. Fire fighter training  
 b. Fire extinguisher training  
 c. Vegetation propagation  
 d. Use of an air curtain destructor  
 e. Please refer to Attachment A for expanded version of variance situations based on 326 IAC 4-1-3(c)(3-8) and 326 IAC 4-1-4  
 5. The following conditions apply to all exemptions and variances:  
 a. Burning shall be done during safe weather conditions. Burning shall not occur during high winds, temperature inversions, air stagnation, or when a pollution alert or ozone action day has been declared.  
 b. Fires must be attended at all times until completely extinguished.  
 c. Fires must be extinguished if they create a fire hazard, nuisance based on complaints of breathing of others, pollution problem, or threat to public health.  
 d. Firefighting equipment adequate for the size of the fire shall be on-site and nearby during times of burning.  
 e. Burning shall not be for disposal purposes.  
 f. All burning shall comply with other federal, state, and local laws, rules, and ordinances.  
 6. Enforcement: Any person found in violation of this ordinance shall be subject to the following procedures:  
 a. The (fire/police/health department/solid waste district or other designated department personnel) shall issue a warning notice to a first-time violator stating that he or she is in violation. The person must then correct the violation by immediately extinguishing the fire. Failure or refusal to immediately extinguish the fire shall result in a citation being issued.  
 b. Upon issuance of a citation, the violator shall be fined as follows:  
 a. First offense \$50  
 b. Second offense \$75  
 c. Third offense \$150  
 A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during which a violation occurs or continues.  
 c. Violators may also be assessed reasonable attorney fees and costs of collection incurred in enforcement of this ordinance.  
 d. Failure or refusal by the violator to immediately extinguish the fire in violation of this ordinance shall also result in the Fire Department having the authority to go upon private property to extinguish said fire.  
 e. Each subsequent starting, kindling, causing, or allowing of a new fire after a warning notice or citation has been issued, shall be considered a separate offense.  
 f. Liability for Fire: Any person who allows the accumulation or existence of combustible material which constitutes or contributes to open burning may not refute liability for violation of this ordinance on the basis that said fire was set by vandals, accidental, or act of God.  
 7. The open burning provisions are enforceable by the duly appointed (fire/police/health department/solid waste district or other designated department personnel) or law enforcement officers within the Town of Wingate, acting on his/her own initiative or at the request of the Town Council.  
 8. All the Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Town Council of Wingate, and legal publication.  
 Passed and adopted this 8 day of August 2023  
 Signed: Kathy Pipher, Town Council President  
 Attachment A  
 • Waste oil burning where waste oil originates from spillage during testing of an oil well and has been collected in a properly constructed and located burn off pit as prescribed in 310 IAC 7-1-37(a) in the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) rules, oil and gas operations. Burning shall be subject to the following conditions:  
 (A) Each oil pit may be burned once every two-(2) months.  
 (B) The fire must be extinguished within thirty (30) minutes of ignition.  
 • Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) burning, to facilitate prescribed burning on DNR -controlled properties for wildlife habitat maintenance, forestry purposes, natural area management, and fire fighting or prevention; United States Department of the Interior burning, to facilitate a National Park Service Fire Management Plan for the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, for example; and United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service burning, to facilitate wildlife habitat maintenance, forestry purposes, natural area management, ecosystem management, and fire-fighting or prevention.  
 • Burning by the United States Forest Service for firefighting or prevention is not subject to the conditions in section 5.  
 • Burning of marijuana by federal, state, and local law enforcement offices. Only clean petroleum products shall be used for ignition purposes.  
 • Burning, for the purpose of heating, using clean wood products or paper in a noncombustible container that is sufficiently vented to induce adequate primary combustion, and has enclosed sides and a bottom. Burning shall be subject to the following conditions:  
 (A) Burning shall only occur between October 1 and May 15,  
 (B) Burning shall not be conducted for the purpose of disposal.  
 • Burning of vegetation by fire departments and firefighters to create fire breaks for purposes of extinguishing an existing fire. Such burning is not subject to the conditions in section 5.  
 • Burning of clean petroleum products for fire extinguisher training, subject the following conditions:  
 (A) The local fire department and health department must be notified at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the date, time, and location of the burning.  
 (B) All burning shall take place in a noncombustible container or enclosure, enclosed on all sides with a bottom.  
 (C) A total of no more than fourteen (14) gallons of fuel may be burned per day.  
 (D) Only one (1) fire may be allowed to burn at a time.  
 (E) All burning shall be conducted in such a manner so as to prevent any possibility of soil contamination.  
 • Emergency burning with prior oral approval of the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management or the Commissioner's designated agent may be authorized for the following:  
 (A) Spilled or escaping liquid or gaseous petroleum products when all reasonable efforts to recover the spilled material have been made and failure to burn would result in an imminent fire or health hazard or air or water pollution problem; or  
 (B) Clean wood waste, vegetation, or deceased animals resulting from a natural disaster where failure to burn would result in an imminent health or safety hazard.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT  
DES. NUMBER 1902752**

The City of Crawfordsville has developed preliminary plans for a proposed new alignment project in Montgomery County, Indiana (Des. Number 1902752). The project occurs within and along the western boundary of the Crawfordsville incorporated limits, approximately 1.3 miles southwest of downtown Crawfordsville. The proposed work will occur from 0.1 mile south of Monroy Circle on Schenck Road to SR 32.  
 The project proposes to construct an extension of Schenck Road that provides a direct connection from the west side of Crawfordsville to SR 32. At approximately 0.13 mile north of Big 4 Arch Road, Schenck Road will be realigned. Schenck Road will be redirected onto a geometrically sufficient new alignment that extends approximately 0.30 mile to the west. The Schenck Road extension will consist of two, 11-foot-wide travel lanes with 4-foot-wide paved shoulders (6-foot-wide usable). Approximately 800 feet south of Big Four Arch Road, the proposed Schenck Road extension will include one 11-foot-wide right turn lane for northbound traffic and one 11-foot-wide left turn lane for southbound traffic entering the potential residential development located adjacent to the east of the proposed Schenck Road extension.  
 The existing intersection of Schenck Road and Big 4 Arch Road will be relocated approximately 0.30 mile to the west. The existing Schenck Road will be terminated approximately 0.02 mile north of the intersection and renamed Old Schenck Road. Seven small culverts and two inlets will be installed underneath the new section of the Schenck Road extension.  
 The project will also include the widening of SR 32 where it connects to the new Schenck Road extension, approximately 0.38 mile east of Glenway Drive. The widening along SR 32 will occur from approximately 0.22 mile east of Glenway Drive to 1.54 mile west of West South Boulevard for a total length of 0.221 mile. A right turn lane along SR 32 will be added for westbound traffic turning onto the new extension of Schenck Road, and a passing blister will be added along eastbound SR 32 for passing roadway users turning left onto the new extension of Schenck Road.  
 Construction of the project will require approximately 10.9667 acres of permanent and 0.0286 acres of temporary right-of-way. No relocations of residences or businesses will occur.  
 The maintenance of traffic will consist of five phases throughout the construction, including single lane closures, temporary signals and drums, flaggers, and a detour of Schenck Road utilizing Russell Avenue and Jennison Street. The detour will not be in place more than 45 days. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. School corporations and emergency services will be notified of closures prior to construction. The proposed start of construction is Winter 2024.  
 The estimated project cost is \$4,021,215 which includes preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction with both federal and local funds to be used. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) have agreed the project falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 4 environmental document. Preliminary design plans and the environmental document are available for review at the following locations:  
 1. Crawfordsville District Public Library, 205 South Washington Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933  
 2. City of Crawfordsville City Building at 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933  
 3. The Clark Dietz website: <https://www.clarkdietz.com/schenck-road-new-alignment/>  
 All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Cameron Fraser, environmental consultant, at 8900 Keystone Crossing, Suite 475, Indianapolis, IN 46240, or at 317-808-3144, or [cameron.fraser@clarkdietz.com](mailto:cameron.fraser@clarkdietz.com). All comments must be submitted on or before August 31, 2023. In addition, project information, including the environmental document, may be mailed to interested persons upon request.  
 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in alternative formats are encouraged to contact the INDOT Crawfordsville District for arrangement and coordination of services. Please contact the INDOT Project Manager, Chaila Jordan at [cjordan2@indot.in.gov](mailto:cjordan2@indot.in.gov) or at 765-361-5226. Additionally, accommodations can be made for any interested persons with Limited English Proficiency. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in another language are encouraged to contact the INDOT Crawfordsville District.  
 This notice is published in compliance with the (1) Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR 771.111(h)(1) stating, "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program;" (2) 23 CFR 450.210(a)(1)(ix) stating, "Provide for the periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all interested parties and revise the process, as appropriate;" and (3) The INDOT Public Involvement Policies and Procedures approved by the Federal Highway Administration on August 16, 2012.  
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**Notice**

Notice is hereby given that the municipal electric utility of the Town of Darlington, Indiana, under and pursuant to the Public Service Commission Act, as amended, and Can mission Order in cause No. 36835-S3, the following incremental changes in the Rate Adjustment factors by Rate Schedules:  
 All Rates - Decrease \$0.003517 per KWH  
 Rate Adjustments applicable to the Rate Schedules are as follows: All Rates - \$ 0.000982 per KWH  
 The accompanying changes in schedules of rates are based solely upon the changes in the cost of purchased power and energy purchased by this utility, computed in accordance with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission Order in cause No. 36835-S3, dated December 13, 1989. This change of rate shall take effect for the bills to be rendered beginning with the October 2023 billing cycle."  
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**Attorney General Todd Rokita Secured Revocation Of The Licenses Of Lankford Funeral Home and Family Center**

Rokita's staff initiated an investigation into the funeral home in July 2022 after Jeffersonville police discovered horrifying conditions within the building. Police found the bodies of 31 individuals being stored at the facility, some of which had been left awaiting cremation for months after death. The remains of 17 individuals were also recovered.

"It's hard to believe the appalling conditions at this funeral home," Rokita said. "Hoosier families deserve to have their loved ones treated with dignity and respect by funeral homes and their employees."

An administrative complaint was filed with the State Board of Funeral and Cemetery Service on March 31, 2023. Lankford and his funeral home were charged with professional incompetence, failure to dispose of the 31 bodies in a timely manner, storing remains at the facility beyond the legally permitted period and other related charges.

Upon hearing evidence on August 3, 2023, the State Board unanimously voted to permanently revoke the funeral home's license and Lankford's funeral director license.

"This is one of the most egregious cases our office has seen in recent times," Rokita said. "I'm proud that we were able to work together with local law enforcement to hold Mr. Lankford accountable and make sure he can never practice another funeral service in Indiana ever again."

Rokita's office investigates cases against various licensed professionals and entities across the state. While most professions only issue licenses to individual practitioners, such as physicians and nurses, some also issue licenses to facilities, such as funeral homes, or to firms, such as real estate broker companies and accountancy firms.

Rokita expressed his gratitude to the Jeffersonville Police Department and the Clark County Coroner's Office for their willingness to work together with his office on this matter. He also wishes to recognize Deputy Attorney General Ian Mathew and Investigators Denise Singleton and Lindsey Bruce for their diligent work.

Hoosiers can file a consumer complaint with the Attorney General's office here.

**Play-It-Safe Tips To Protect Young Athletes' Feet And Ankles**

(StatePoint) In today's competitive youth sports landscape, injuries are common, and when they do occur, young athletes are often pressured to play through the pain.

"The back-to-school season is prime time for foot and ankle injuries from fall sports like soccer, football and cross country," says Richard Baker, DPM, FACFAS, a foot and ankle surgeon and Fellow Member of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS). "Fortunately, there are many steps parents, coaches and young athletes can take to prevent injuries from occurring in the first place and to discourage kids from playing through pain."

Here are eight play-it-safe tips from the foot and ankle surgeon members of ACFAS to help prevent injuries and to treat them properly when they do occur.

1. Get a pre-season checkup. A pre-season medical evaluation can help identify whether your child could possibly benefit from using an orthotic or wearing a supportive ankle brace while playing. This is especially important for those with previous sprains and injuries.

2. Start the season with new shoes. Old shoes can wear down and become uneven, causing the ankle to tilt. And, as your child's feet may have grown between seasons, their old shoes may not fit. The smart move is to replace athletic shoes at the start of each season. While children under 10 should wear all-purpose sports shoes, older youth athletes should wear sport-specific footwear.

3. Train for the season. It's important that your child's feet and ankles are accustomed to the level of activity required for the sport. Adequate conditioning in the off-season can help maintain a player's ability to meet these demands, reducing their risk of injury and improving their performance during the season.

4. Encourage warmup exercises. Calf stretches and light jogging before

competition help warm up ligaments and blood vessels, reducing injury risk.

5. Check fields for dips, divots and holes. Ninety percent of ankle sprains are due to poor playing conditions. That's why some surgeons recommend walking the field, especially in non-professional settings like public parks, looking for spots that could catch a player's foot. Alert coaching officials to any irregularities.

6. Watch their technique. A difference in the way your child is moving is often a tell-tale sign that something is wrong. Playing with pain is never a winning strategy so encourage kids to be honest about pain or discomfort.

7. Be mindful of other physical activities. Your child doesn't need to be involved in a formalized athletic program to be vulnerable to sports-related injuries. Foot and ankle surgeons warn of common injuries like plantar fasciitis, bone spurs, fractures and Achilles tendonitis due to repetitive, forceful motions, which can occur in activities such as skateboarding. When skateboarding or engaged in other non-formal activities, always wear protective gear, including supportive shoes, and seek treatment when there is pain or injury.

8. Remember RICE. Often, an injured foot or ankle can be treated with rest, ice, compression and elevation. Those with foot or ankle pain should take a break from playing and allow time for recovery. If pain persists, something more serious may be happening, such as cartilage injuries or broken bones in the foot. Consult a foot and ankle surgeon for a complete evaluation, proper diagnosis and treatment plan. The sooner rehabilitation starts, the sooner your child can safely get back into the game.

For more information on pediatric foot care or to find a foot and ankle surgeon near you, visit FootHealthFacts.org, the patient education website of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.



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side. Here's the trouble, new construction coming to town is not located on the east side, and there's no big box on the east side. The developer that the mayor courted is planning to build about 175 new homes and 300-plus apartment units, but the city's housing expansion is lopsided. The mayor unpacked the process he's discovered in trying to recruit another grocery retailer, saying they want to be within "eyesight of Walmart." Even the owner of ACE Hardware approached Barton some time back saying his business would never survive if he weren't near Walmart. The bad news, he indicated, is that the east side is very unlikely to gain another grocery store.

There's something there. Ever drive around other cities and note that certain retailers are near Walmart like barnacles on a ship? Sally Beauty Supply, Radio Shack, Dollar Tree? These smaller retailers look for where the traffic goes and attach themselves.

But here's the challenge. People with no cars or unreliable transportation have only dollar-type stores, which sell highly processed (and unhealthy) shelf-stable foods, with almost no fresh or healthy food. These stores predatorily build iterations of themselves in nutrition deserts. Not only do citizens know it's a sign of economic illness, abundant data indicates that dollar-type stores damage economic and physical health.

On the one side, people, especially those with unreliable transportation, need a place to grab milk and day-to-day basics. They can't afford to boycott these establishments if there is no other option nearby. On the other side, Indiana's "business friendly" policy makes

it almost impossible to block those chains from invading communities. It's all residents of the east side have at present.

Nevertheless, Barton's office is responsive to the need for a second grocery. His office has learned that most chains are dependent on three-year-old data, and the eastside Kroger, County Market and its successor were still here three years ago. So he's approaching them with up-to-date data. The question will be which retailer will respond. The call for an Aldi (or maybe a Lidl) would delight citizens who frequent Lafayette, Greencastle, Lebanon and even Indy, Aldis when they can. Stores like Aldi don't always locate their stores within eyesight of Walmart, and while there's a debate on grocery savings between Aldi and Walmart, they're both far less than bigger grocery-only chains.

When it comes to enticing grocers, the research and resources on community development are thin. The work is hard. Residents here have an invested mayor. While we keep talking to him about needs, we can support local small markets including La Fiesta and Jarocho Market, both of which are closer to the east side. Other actionable items include attending the mayor's forums, listening to his updates, and shopping local to make our community more resilient and less dependent on far-off corporations.

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

**TIM** From Page A1

"Remember the line from The Godfather," he laughed. "Just when I thought I was out, they pull me back in . . . When I wrote Final Day, I chose the word final for a reason, it wraps up the series."

But the 70-year-old said his publisher kept prodding.

"I really do think this is the last one," he chuckled.

Of course the publisher had good reason. One Second After was a huge hit.

"It caught me totally off guard," Forstchen said. "I figured it was going to sell five or six thousand and that's it. My agent called and said 'you better sit down. You're on the New York Times best seller list.'"

Where did the idea that launched the series come from?

"At Purdue when I was in grad school," he explained. "I was aware of the issue of EMP. When the ice storm in '90 or '91 hit, after four or five days of no power people were getting really squirrely. There were stories about people screaming at power crews. Things got ugly. That was the genesis."

Former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich has written about the series, and in fact, the two have become friends and co-authors. They've paired up on the books 1945, Pearl Harbor, Gettysburg, Days of Infamy and others.

They met before Gingrich became Speaker of the House. Of course Gingrich taught history at West Georgia College before getting into politics. The pair found they had a lot in common.

"Here's the kind of guy (Gingrich) is," Forstchen

en said. "I gave him a framed portrait of Ulysses S. Grant with the famous quote 'I propose to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer.' He beamed, and then said, 'I can't accept this.'"

Turns out that because of congressional rules, gifts over a specific dollar value were not allowed. So Forstchen told Gingrich to keep it on loan.

Years later, the pair were together and Gingrich brought the painting out to give back.

"That's the kind of guy he is," Forstchen said. "Hell, I had forgotten about it."

Of course he told Gingrich to keep it.

Although the storyline follows the main character, the overriding theme is the fragility of our nation's power grid.

"America's electrical infrastructure is antiquated," he explained. "It's 40, 50 years old. We have to restructure. We're spending a trillion on green energy when we have to restructure."

"If you don't have a month's worth of supplies in your house now, you're crazy. I've talked to some who said they had enough to get by until FEMA comes. Well, what if FEMA doesn't come?"

Five Years After is available at all major booksellers online as well as Barnes & Noble at Tippecanoe Mall in Lafayette.

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



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