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Have a very Merry Christmas!

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

➔ FACES OF MONTGOMERY
People who call our community their own.



Judi Kleine sent us here a smile from Grandpa Greg Kleine holding Granddaughter Phoebe on a recent hike at Turkey Run. Thank You Judi!

➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Congressman Jim Baird released the following statement after voting against expelling former Congressman George Santos from the U.S. House of Representatives. "Only two other Members of Congress have been expelled since the Civil War. In both cases, each Member was convicted of a crime. Congressman Santos' pattern of deception is incredibly concerning but it is a mistake to remove him before he's received due process," said Rep. Baird. "In Congress, transparency and honesty should be a priority. But removing a Member of the House before they've been afforded due process sets a dangerous precedent for Congress and the country." Former Congressman Santos was expelled from the U.S. House of Representatives by a vote of 311-114, with two members voting present.

2 Monroe Lake will once again kick off the new year with its First Day Trail Run and Walk at Fairfax State Recreation Area in Bloomington, on Monday, Jan. 1 at 3:30 p.m. This is an untimed, noncompetitive run/walk. Participants complete a 3.7-mile, 2.9-mile, or 1.3-mile course before ringing in the new year by tapping the bell as they cross the finish line. Advance registration is \$15 per person and available online only through Dec. 30 at bit.ly/monroefirstday. Same-day registration, cash or check only, will be available at the Bay View Shelter inside Fairfax SRA from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m.

3 Greater Indiana, in partnership with the Indiana Chamber of Commerce and Air and Waste Management Association Indiana Chapter, proudly presents the 2023 Indiana Environmental Conference and Winter Technical Meeting. The event is scheduled to take place on December 6-7 at the Wyndham Indianapolis West Hotel.

Darlington's Biggest Basketball Upset Victory



BUTCH DALE
COLUMNIST

If you ask Montgomery County basketball fans to name the biggest basketball upset victory in Darlington's history, most folks would point to the Indians' great Section-

al tourney championship win in 1969, when they defeated the Speedway Sparkplugs, the Marion county champions, by a score of 56 to 54. I was at that championship final, one of the most exciting games I have ever witnessed. A last second shot by Speedway bounced off the rim, and the Darlington crowd went absolutely crazy! Yes, even though the Indians were undefeated during the regular season and had easily won the County tourney (defeating Waynetown 92-42, clobbering New Ross 107-52, and demolishing Linden in the championship 89-49), they were considered underdogs against Speedway.

However, I have looked at the results of hundreds of Darlington games since basketball first started at the school in 1907...and I believe the biggest upset victory occurred at the Montgomery county tourney in 1965. And I remember that game very well as I was a member of the team!

Entering the tourney, my team had a record of 4 wins and 7 losses, two of the wins against the tiny schools of Alamo and Kingman. Our starting five was Joe Mahoy and Eddie Gable as guards, Phil Mahoy at center, and Wayne Palmer and myself at forwards...not a one of us six feet tall. We had to play an excellent New Market team, with a record of 8-3, in the first game.



Photo courtesy of Butch Dale

1965 Darlington H.S. Basketball Team: Bottom Row; Eddie Gable, Wayne Palmer, Dan Hampton, Dave West, Joe Mahoy, Bob Woody, mgr. Back Row; Galen Smith, coach, Phil Mahoy, Dick Clouser, Frank Rose, Butch Dale, Tim Budd, Bob Shelton, mgr.

They were led in scoring by Jerry Hester, Glen Smith, Jim Slavens, and Dale Conrad. And to top it off, the Purple Flyers were coached by Jack Hester, one of the all-time greatest coaches in Montgomery county history. The outlook for our team winning this first game was not good.

In that first quarter, we outlasted, outrebounded, and outshot New Market, and led 22-12 at the end. Wayne Palmer and I both had a hot hand in that first half. I hit eight baskets and Wayne connected on five, and when the first half ended, we were ahead 38-26. Our coach, Galen Smith, decided to slow the pace down in the second half. New Market started hitting baskets, and at the end of

the third quarter, we led by only four, 44-40. In the last quarter, New Market put on a full court press, but when they did, they made several fouls. Ed Gable and Wayne Palmer came through for us, and canned eight free throws, and along with three baskets, we survived by a final score of 58 to 52...a minor miracle.

Unfortunately, our next game on Saturday afternoon,

was against the New Ross Blue Jays, who had beaten us earlier in the season by a score of 88-60. They had already defeated Waynetown 72-51 and Linden 70-49 to reach the semifinals. And to top things off, New Ross had won fifteen straight games--the longest winning streak of any school in the state! They had an outstanding team, led by Ron Haffner, Bob Williams, Gary Harrison, Terry Moore, and Chuck Grenard. In fact, their subs such as John Budd, Pat Evans, and Denny Norman, just to name three, could have been starters on any other team in the county.

The Blue Jays started out hot, leading 8-2 after just a couple of minutes. But then their shooting hit a dry spell, and we caught up to tie it 11-11 at the end of the first quarter. Amazingly, my team led at halftime 20-16 in a defensive battle. Both teams battled back and forth in the third quarter and were tied at 32. Joe Mahoy got hot in the fourth quarter, hitting three baskets. With my team leading 45-41, New Ross started fouling, hoping we would miss the free throws, but

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Carnegie Museum To Host Photos With Santa

The Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County is pleased to announce that Santa Claus will be visiting the museum for "Photos with Santa" on Saturday December 9, 2022, from 2:30-4:30 pm.

Bring your camera and take pictures with Santa. This time with Santa is not only for kids; it can be a great time to bring the whole family together for a photo with Santa and his sleigh. Winter-themed craft stations

will be available throughout the museum. All ages are welcome. This event is free and open to the public.

In addition to Santa visiting the museum on December 9, the Carnegie Museum will offer additional activities throughout the month. On Saturday, December 2, come and make a light up snowman ornament. On Saturday, December 16, families can make snowflake ornaments. Stomp rockets will

be featured December 23 and 27-30. All activities are on demand from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Winter backdrops and photo props will also be available all month long for additional holiday photo opportunities.

The Carnegie Museum is located at 222 S. Washington Street, Crawfordsville. Admission is free, and the Museum is wheelchair and stroller accessible. Open Wednesday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 7:52 a.m.
SET: 5:23 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures
High: 44 °F
Low: 32 °F



Today is...

- Day of the Ninja
- International Volunteer Day
- Repeal Day



What Happened On This Day

- **2005** UK's Civil Partnership Act of 2004 comes into force. UK's Civil Partnership Act of 2004 came into force almost a year after it was passed.
- **1977** Egypt breaks all relations with Arab countries. President Anwar al-Sadat broke all relations with Syria, Libya, Algeria, and South Yemen in response to these countries and the Palestinian Liberation Organization signing the Declaration of Tripoli. The declaration followed Sadat's visit to Israel.
- **1933** End of prohibition in the U.S.. A national ban on alcohol in the U.S. first instituted in 1920 by the 18th amendment, ended on this day after the ratification of the 21st amendment.

Births On This Day

- **1901** Walt Disney American animator, director, screenwriter, producer, co-founded The Company
- **1901** Werner Heisenberg German physicist, Nobel Prize laureate

Deaths On This Day

- **2007** Karlheinz Stockhausen German composer
- **1791** Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Austrian composer

➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Women aged 65 years or older should have a bone density screening. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



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Martha Jane Tillotson Tolliver Tackett

➔ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Cumunity Forum: Mayor Barton will be hosting his December Community Forum on Thursday, December 14th from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Mayor's Office. This will be the Mayor's 127th community forum. This event is open to the public to come ask questions, discuss concerns, and learn more about anything regarding the city.

➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

Keep your friends close, your enemies closer and receipts for all major purchases." -Unknown

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

What did Santa ask Rudolph about the weather? Is it going to rain dear?!

The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **Diane Thompson** for subscribing!



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13 WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

44 A.M. SHOWER SOUTH, EARLY SUN	32/44 A.M. MIX TO RAIN	32/42 CHILLY AND DRY	32/52 BREEZY, MORE MILD	44/56 BASKY, CLOUDS BUILD	50/56 RAIN LIKELY	40/43 RAIN TO SNOW
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN

OBITUARIES

Martha Jane Tillotson Tolliver Tackett

July 8, 1935, Saturday, December 2, 2023

Martha Jane Tillotson Tolliver Tackett, age 88, of Crawfordsville, passed away on December 2 at her daughter's home.

She was born in Danville, Illinois on July 8, 1935, daughter of Jesse Warren Tillotson, Jr. and Mary Jane (Bowles) Tillotson, formerly of Russellville, Indiana. She first married Leonard Burnam Tolliver and later Wilbur Tackett. Both husbands, her parents and sister, Linda Davies, preceded her in death.

She was a member of both OES #247 and VFW #3284 in Roachdale, Indiana as well as American Legion Post #72 in Crawfordsville, Indiana. She enjoyed knitting and crocheting, providing each of us with afghans thru the years.

Martha is survived by daughters, Terri (Stan) Lawson, Chris (John) Irvin, and Jessi (Tony) Ragsdale; grandchildren, Stanette Balsler, Sean (Allison) Haskett, Brea Brock, Brett (Jason) Anderson, Scott (Kelly) Ragsdale, Patrick (Taryn) Ragsdale, Shonda Lawson; great grandchildren, Tyler (Karly), Meghan, Darek, Cameron, Keaton, Austin, Carter, Riley, Ella, Zachary, Michayla, Kalishia, Logan, Dylan, Kamryn, Reid, and Luke; great great grandchildren, Sophia, Luke, Mason, Gunner.

A private family service in Oak Hill North Cemetery will be held on Thursday. All arrangements are entrusted to Burkhart Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County, 1104 Big Four Arch Road, Crawfordsville, IN 47933.



Crawfordsville Council Committee Meeting

December 4, at 6 p.m.
I. Fiscal Affairs

A. A Resolution Regarding Receipt and Approval of Crawfordsville Electric Light & Power Company's Proposed 2024 Budget and Salary Worksheets

B. A Resolution Regarding Receipt and Approval of the Crawfordsville Storm Water Department's Proposed 2024 Budget and Salary Worksheets

C. A Resolution Regarding Receipt and Approval of Crawfordsville Street Department's Proposed 2024 Central Garage Budget and Salary Worksheets

D. A Resolution Regarding Receipt and Approval of the Crawfordsville Waste Water Department's Proposed 2024 Budget and Salary Worksheets

E. A Resolution Regarding Receipt and

Approval of the Crawfordsville Sanitation Department's Proposed 2024 Budget and Salary Worksheets

F. A Resolution Finding That A Property Owner Is In Substantial Compliance For Tax Abatement Purposes

G. A Resolution Approving Application for Tax Abatement - International Paper Company

A. An Ordinance Changing the Zoning Classification for Real Estate Located South of CR 150 South and North East of the Purple Heart Parkway Extension and US Highway 231, 30.208 Acres of Parcel No. 54-10-08-300-087.001-029

III. Traffic, Parking & Safety

IV. Annexation

V. Miscellaneous

VI. Adjournment

Ceres Solutions Announces 2024 Scholarship Applications

In a continuing effort to support youth pursuing careers in agriculture, Ceres Solutions will offer \$25,000 through scholarships to high school seniors and college students this spring. Students receiving the scholarships are selected based on their commitment to agricultural youth programs and their desire to pursue higher education. "Our employee group

and our Board of Directors strongly believe in investing in education. In particular, it is a privilege to support students from the local farm families we serve," says Jeff Troike, Ceres Solutions Cooperative CEO. "Students who are passionate about agriculture and demonstrate leadership will be the best advocates of our industry in the years to come."

Selection criteria emphasize involvement in agricultural youth groups such as 4-H and FFA. Applicants must be children or grandchildren of current cooperative members, entering their freshman year of college in the fall of 2024 and pursuing an agriculture-related field of study. Since committing to offering a scholarship program, Ceres Solutions

has provided more than \$275,000 in scholarships to local students.

Students interested in applying for these scholarships or learning more about Ceres Solutions are encouraged to visit the website at www.ceres.coop or contact David Smith at 260-571-6990.

Completed scholarship forms must be submitted by March 1.

New Richmond Town Hall Meetings For 2024

Meetings will be at the New Richmond Fire Station.

215 S. Prairie Street
The meeting schedule is as follows:

- Jan. 3 at 6 p.m.
- Feb. 7 at 6 p.m.
- Mar. 6 at 6 p.m.

- Apr. 3 at 6 p.m.
- May 1 at 6 p.m.
- June 5 at 6 p.m.
- July 3 at 6 p.m.
- Aug. 7 at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 4 at 6 p.m.
- Oct. 2 at 6 p.m.
- Nov. 6 at 6 p.m.
- Dec. 4 at 6 p.m.

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment Opens Call for Entry To All 92 Indiana Counties

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment will accept entries for the annual 92 County Art Show at the Clark Gallery in the Honeywell Center on Monday, December 11, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

This competition is open to artists residing in all

92 counties in the state of Indiana. The exhibit will be on display in the Clark Gallery from December 14 through January 14. This exhibit is sponsored by Richard Tucker in memory of Cheryl Jackson.

The show has three categories: painting, drawing, and other art forms. Any

medium can be entered except for photography. Participants may enter up to three pieces, all of which can be entered into a single category or all three; however, the maximum of three entries total still applies.

Detailed guidelines and the entry form can be found online at honeywellarts.org.

The 92 County Art Show exhibit is one of many ways Honeywell Arts & Entertainment supports the visual arts. The Clark Gallery typically hosts more than ten exhibits per year and features students, amateurs, and professionals with foot traffic exceeding 170,000 guests per year.

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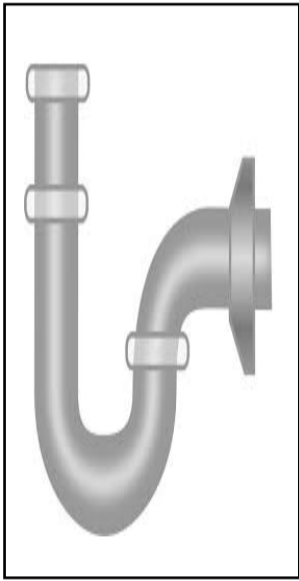
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Solar Shingles Come Of Age

EARTHTALK

Dear EarthTalk: My roof needs replacing and I'm also thinking about getting solar panels. Do solar shingles make sense or are they still too new-fangled to trust?

Going solar is becoming an increasingly appealing choice for homeowners looking for sustainable energy solutions. Solar shingles are an innovative and aesthetically pleasing alternative to traditional solar panels, thanks to advancements in solar technology. However, whether they're a good fit for you depends upon a number of factors.

Solar shingles, or solar roof tiles, are a great way to add renewable energy to your home without sacrificing curb appeal. They blend in seamlessly with your existing roof, so you won't have to worry about them looking out of place. Solar shingles are also a great way to increase the value of your home.

Solar shingles are becoming increasingly common in new construction homes, and they're also a great choice if your old roof needs repair or replacement. Combining the installation of solar shingles with your roof renovation kills two things at once. However, solar shingles

tend to be more expensive up front compared to traditional solar panels; you'll have to crunch the numbers with the help of one or more local installers to see what makes the most financial sense for you. Definitely get a few bids to make sure you're getting a fair deal.

Since solar shingles haven't been around as long as conventional photovoltaic panels, they don't have much of a track record of reliability. That said, solar shingles tend to last longer and are more resistant to the elements than photovoltaic panels, as they are designed to be part of the actual structure of the roof itself. If you can't find any with a warranty of less than 25 years, keep looking. If you're contemplating the move to solar shingles, proceed with caution and do your homework regarding different manufacturers' products and warranties—and find/read real customer reviews.

The suitability of solar shingles also depends on your geographical location and the direction your roof faces. It's important to figure out how much sunlight your roof gets throughout the year to determine how much energy solar shingles can generate. If your roof doesn't get enough sunlight because of shade or its position, the effectiveness of solar shingles

may be reduced, making them less cost-effective. Google's free Project Sunroof website lets you see if your roof would be a good host for solar panels or shingles.

While solar shingles definitely cost more than photovoltaic panels—typically at least twice as much—it might pencil out if you need roofing tiles replaced anyway. The best way to find out is to interview and get bids from roofers, solar installers and others well-versed in the technology.

Some of the leading manufacturers of solar shingles include Certain-Teed Solar, Luma Solar, SunTegra, GAF Energy's Timberline Solar and, yes, even Tesla. The latter's solar shingle solution is the priciest of the bunch—\$70,000 isn't unheard of for one of Tesla's Solar Roofs—but may be the most reliable given the company's head start in the business and huge cash reserves.

-CONTACTS: Project Sun Roof, <https://sunroof.withgoogle.com/>; Tesla Solar Roof, <https://www.tesla.com/solarroof>.

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BUTCH

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Ed Gable came through again. After Terry Moore fouled out, Joe Mahoy iced two more free throws with six seconds left. We had won...49 to 45. Joe led in scoring with 17, I scored 14, and Ed scored 13...seven of which were free throws. Our fans went wild... and we also won the County Keg--the first time we had won it since 1957. Everyone who watched that game at the Crawfordsville gym was stunned at the results. I could hardly believe it myself. The "thrill of victory!"

That night we had to play Coal Creek in the championship game. After defeating New Market and New Ross, we had no doubt that we could beat the Bearcats. It was not to be. Larry Lidester, Steve Snyder, Chuck McKnight, and Lee Fouts combined for 43 points. Although we made 21 free throw shots, our outside shooting was off. Joe Mahoy's last second shot bounded off the rim, and we lost 47-45... and we handed the Keg

over to the Bearcats...the shortest time any school ever owned the traveling trophy. The "agony of defeat!"

Anyone who has ever watched Montgomery county basketball knows that strange things can happen. Just a few games later, we played Coal Creek again. I hit my first eleven shots in a row. We outplayed the Bearcats in each quarter, won 62 to 45, and got the Keg back! We had it until the last game of the season when we traveled to Waynetown, who had a record of 6-12. Easy pickings...right? Wrong. I started out hitting my first three shots, but halfway through the first quarter, a Waynetown player purposely elbowed me with an uppercut to the chin. He knocked some teeth loose and my tongue was bleeding profusely, and I was out of the game until just a few minutes were left in the last quarter. We lost the game 58-51...and we lost the Keg.

Sectional time.... We had to play...guess who?

Coal Creek. They wanted revenge for losing the Keg earlier. Larry Lidester scored 16 points, and Rich Stonebraker added 11, but the other Bearcat players were cold. Joe Mahoy and I both scored 18 points each, and we won 47 to 45...the exact same score in which Coal Creek had defeated us in the championship game of the County tourney!

In that 1965 season, I learned how to win, and I learned how to lose. I discovered that miracles can happen. If my team had played New Ross a hundred times, we might have won once. That Saturday afternoon victory was that one time. You can never predict how a game might turn out. That year was the most exciting season during all of the years that I played basketball.

- 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.

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