TODAY'S VERSE

Psalm 34:18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Meet Echo



Echo is an adorable 5 year old male buff/white domestic shorthair cat available for adoption at AWL (since 8/18/23). Echo is vocal, affectionate, and playful! Echo has even won the prestigious award of ULTIMATE LAP CAT! Echo is friendly with his friends in the community cat room (main), but would love a furrrever home with a kitty tree! AWL is open Monday Friday from 12:15p-5p and Saturday's from 9:30a-3p. Come say hi!

ECHO IS GOOD WITH: KIDS: Yes CATS: Yes DOGS: Not Sure (slow leashed intros recommended)



Happenings

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024

WABASH COLLEGE Sports Gambling discussion at

Fine Arts Center, 7:30 p.m

Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024

CRAWFORDSVILLE SCHOOLS Crawfordsville School Board at

Friday, Feb. 9, 2024

Hose Elementary, 5:30 p.m.

WABASH COLLEGE

VAS: The Doubleclicks at Fine Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

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BUTCH **DALE**

About a month ago, as I stood behind the circulation desk, a man and woman, neither Columnist of whom I recognized, came

into the library and introduced themselves. The couple lived in Indianapolis, and they wanted to know all about the town, the local community, and Montgomery County. "We can't take it any more . . . the traffic, the crime, the noise, the cost of living, the way people treat each other ... I could go on and on. We just have to get out of there," the fellow lamented. "You've come to the right guy. I have lived and worked here my whole life. I'm a country boy, so I am probably biased, but here's a few things you might consider ... "

"I live in an old farmhouse on a gravel road in Sugar Creek Township at the

northeast edge of the county. In that 36 square mile township there are no towns and less than 500 people total. Very few vehicles drive by my house, and if a car goes by, we wonder who it might be. I take a walk down the road almost every day . . . a mile and a half to the creek and back. I see rabbits and deer and occasionally a coyote, raccoon or possum. And I love watching all of the birds . . . red-tailed hawks, bluebirds, robins, finches, blue jays, cardinals, thrushes, quail, woodpeckers, killdeers and many others. And during the past few years, every once in a while, I spot a bald eagle. On a sunny day I look up at the clouds drifting by. On a rainy day I walk a little faster, but believe it or not, I enjoy listening to the faraway thunder. But for me, cloudy days are my favorite . . . not sure why. I always stop at the creek and listen to the soothing sound of the water running downstream. Sometimes there is a Blue

Heron standing in the water searching for minnows. Except for the distant sound of a neighbor's tractor in the field, it is always peaceful and quiet on my walks." "Sometimes in the evenings I get in my old truck and drive around the neighborhood. I always wave to everyone \dots even strangers, and they wave back. My Dad did that, too, when I rode in the truck with him as a little boy. Even though I was a police officer at one time, I tend to trust everyone unless they prove me wrong. There is very little crime in this area, and everyone looks out for their neighbors. When my grandkids are over, I know it's safe for them to go outside and play, walk down the road or do any normal everyday thing. Most residents own a gun, but they never need it. Like every community, our

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Peace in Israel? What is Israel Supposed To Do?

Let's go back in time. You're in grade school. You're a decent student, not a trouble maker, but not the star pupil or



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the teacher's pet. You're just average. At recess, the school bully picks you out oh lucky day. After school, he says, he's going to give you a fat lip unless you cough up your lunch money.

But wait, he's not done. Every day for the rest of the year, he's going to beat the living tar out of you if you don't pay his price.

What do you do? No, no . . . this is not today. This isn't the world where everyone gets a trophy, where little boys are told they can be little girls if

they want to be, where grade school libraries are allowed no, encouraged - to have books that show sexual acts of perversion. No, this is the 1950s or '60s and if you tell a teacher, you are forever branded a tattletale. If you cry, you are a crybaby. If you give in, you'll never eat lunch again. I ask again, what do you do? You remember what your dad told you. The only way to handle a bully is to stand up to him. So you do. Maybe you get a fat lip, maybe not. Maybe you win, maybe not. But chances are the bully doesn't pick on you anymore. You're not the easy mark the

bully thought.

Come back to today. I have no idea why Hamas invaded Israel on Oct. 7 and murdered more than 1.000 people - including babies. I have no idea why Jews have

been persecuted for centuries. I have no idea why so many in the world and in our country - think that Israel is in the wrong. I have no idea why South Africa - that bastion of historical fair and equal treatment - would accuse Israel of genocide in a court at the United Nations. What is Israel supposed to

basics. Israel did not ask for Hamas

to invade.

Let's boil this down to the

No. no. no. I don't believe that the Gaza Strip was an open air prison, as some claim. We do not have the space or time to go into the history, but let's just remember that the Gaza Strip came into being during

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Your skin can be damaged by UV light on cloudy days too.

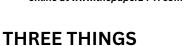
Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7. com

You Should Know



TODAY'S QUOTE

"If you would be loved, love and be loveable." Benjamin Franklin



On Feb, 8, 1971, Leroy "Satchel" Page was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame. Famed slugger Joe DiMaggio said Paige was the "best and fastest pitcher I've faced." Even so, it took Paige 50 years to be honored by the Baseball Hall of Fame as the first Negro League veteran to earn the recognition. According to History.com, Paige was a pitching legend known for his fastball, showmanship and the longevity of his playing career. He pitched an estimated 2,500 games, had 300 shut outs, and 55 no-hitters. In one month in 1935, he reportedly pitched 29 consecutive games.

IDEM is taking applications and nominations for the 2024 Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence until 5 p.m. on Friday, March 1. Citizens, government agencies, businesses, organizations, and educational institutions are invited to submit nominations on behalf of educational institutions are invited to submit nominations on benalt or others or apply for the award themselves. Nomination forms and instructions are available at idem.IN.gov/partnerships/governors-awards-for-environmental-excellence/. Eligible projects must have occurred in Indiana and been implemented in 2022 or 2023. The awards will be based on project innovation, measurable results, and transferability.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced that most farm loan borrowers will be able to make payments to their direct loans online through the Pay My Loan feature on farmers gov this month. Pay My Loan is part of a broader effort by USDA's Farm Service Agency to streamline its processes, especially for producers who may have limited time during the planting or harvest seasons to visit a local FSA office; modernize and improve customer service; provide additional customer self-service tools; and expand credit access to assist more producers. The Pay My Loan feature can be accessed at farmers.gov/loans.



TODAY'S JOKE

What did one piece of toast say to the other? "You're my butter half!"



Ready for the annual update that is the state of the community address? Then mark Feb. 15 on your calendar. Crawfordsville **Mayor Todd Barton and County** Manager Tom Klein will share all the details beginning at 7 p.m. You can catch it all on the City of Crawfordsville's Facebook page with links to listen or on WCDQ



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Why Black **History Month?** To Thrive



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children's songwriter Tom Chapin wrote a lovely song, "My town is a salad bowl," a lovely metaphor for the U.S. -

In 1998,

arguably better than the weary "melting pot" metaphor that always begged to be revised because America is not fondue or gravy. If our towns are salad bowls, it's possible to imagine plucking out one part of the mix and admiring its contribution to the overall flavor. It's something like taking a month to understand the history and contribution of the people who contribute to our nation. But it's more than a mere appreciation. It is a necessary act for survival and thriving.

Dr. C.G. Woodson, the man

who founded Black History Week that turned into Black History Month, noted that "history is the prophet looking backward" and that "not to know what once's race has done in former times is to continue always as a child. 'If no use were made of the labor of past ages,' it has been said, 'the world remains always in the infancy of knowledge." Woodson wrote on, "If a race has no history, if it has no worth-while tradition, it becomes a negligible fact in the thought of the world, and it stands in danger of being exterminated." Thus, Black History Month is a dedicated period to promote history that is (or should be) fully integrated in our life-long education, one that affirms the right of

This year's Black History Month recognition begins on a somewhat mournful note with the passing of the League of Women Voters president, who died suddenly on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024. Dr. Deborah Ann Turner was an incredible woman with a list of accomplishments that speak to her character and example - a mother, the first African-American woman certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, a lawyer and policy maker, and finally national president of the LWV.

people to thrive here in the

U.S.

Turner told her children to be lifelong learners and to reach out to other cultures, find an interest and pursue that interest. Notably, that complements the efforts of various history months. According to her home paper, the Mason City, Iowa, Globe Gazette, as a child Turner's father told her "be a ditch digger or be a doctor - but whatever you do, be

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NMHS Winter Homecoming Court



Photo courtesy of North Montgomery High School

The North Montgomery Winter Homecoming court posed for a picture. They are, front row from left, Rilee Martin, Abigal Allen, Sydney Neideffer, Trista Thomas, Shayna Ratcliff, Dericka Jeffers and Emma Leonhardt; and back row from left, Hunter Haworth, Tripp Wathen, Corbin Meadows, Colin Campbell, Brent Runyan, **Tanner Schultz, Crew Cole**

Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do you recognize this person?

Hint: She was elected CHS Homecoming Queen in 1966

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Proposed Bill Would Establish Health Care Pilot Program Here

A bill authored by State Sen. Brian Buchanan (R-Lebanon) that would establish a pilot program in Montgomery, Delaware and White counties to require health plans to provide reimbursement for emergency medical services performed under a mobile integrated health care program passed the Senate unanimously last

Mobile integrated health care is a patient-centered model that focuses on delivering needs-based care and preventative services in a patient's home or mobile environment. Senate Bill 142 would create a pilot program in

the three counties, which would last through June 30, 2027. This would help guide the General Assembly in deciding whether this program should be expanded across the state. "This bill was brought to me by constituents from Crawfordsville," Buchanan said. "The bill is aimed at lowering health care costs for Hoosiers. I am pleased the Senate passed this legislation and look forward to continue my work on it through the legislative process." SB 142 now moves to the

Indiana House of Representatives for further consideration.

Ready to check out?

Doubleclicks at Wabash Thursday



The Wabash College Visiting Artists Series presents The Doubleclicks at 7:30 p.m. Thursday8. The performance will be held in Ball Theater inside the Fine Arts Center. Laser Malena-Webber and Aubrey Turner, the musical duo known as the Doubleclicks, write and perform songs about dinosaurs, cats, anxiety, and queer feelings on the cello and guitar. They

have toured the U.S., Australia, and Europe and have totaled more than four million YouTube views.

Their latest project is a musical, "Teaching a Robot to Love," a sci-fi story about the trans experience. The musical is a queer retelling of "Frankenstein." Since releasing its first album in 2012, the Doubleclicks have had several albums debut in

the top 10 of the Billboard comedy charts, including the 2019 release "The Book Was Better," which debuted at no. 1.

Admission is free and tickets are required for theater productions and Visiting Artist Series events. Seating is general admission. Contact the Fine Arts Center box office at 765-361-6411 or finearts@wabash.edu to reserve tickets.



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the best ditch digger or best doctor." Her path to OB/GYN and her brother's career as a highway construction engineer indicated their sincerity in heeding their father's

advice. Turner was named to the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame in 2013 because of her relentless interest in bringing her best to the world. Her specialty gynecologic oncology, or gynecological cancer care - inspired her to impact health policy. She pursued a Juris Doctorate (law degree) to impact healthcare policy and increase equity through activism. In 2010, the Iowa League of Women Voters made her their president and she became national president in 2020. Also blazing a trail in medicine is Dr. Irene Canady, the first African-American neurosurgeon. Canady's father was a dentist and her mother was a stay-at-home mom. Her grandmother was professor at Lane College in Tennessee who studied aptitude testing. When she took a test for her grandmother's research, "a funny thing happened." She'd done abnormally well, uncovering a tragic

deception. "That's how it came to light that my teacher had been lying about my test scores in school. She'd been switching them with a white girl in my class. And just like that, it turned out I wasn't so average after all," Canady told the University of Michigan, her alma mater. Not that anyone in her family told her. She skipped the third grade, which motivated her and in college she learned this secret and that her teacher had been fired on account of it. In high school, Canady set her heart on being a mathematician, so she applied to MIT, not knowing the school would block her acceptance, so she considered applying home. Having competed with her equally proficient brother, her parents told her to apply somewhere other than the University of Michigan to allow him to thrive. Undeterred, and likely wise enough to realize her brother would thrive either way, she took matters in her own hand and applied anyway. Upon being accepted, she jumped into the debate

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Early on, Canady discovered math was not her forte. While she explored her next steps, she took a job as a city reporter for The Michigan Daily, moving on to the editorial page. A bit lost on her next steps, she foundered until her brother mentioned a scholarship program in medicine for minority students. Little did she know that the work ethic and reputation she built at The Daily and through the debate team boosted her reputation and helped her get into med school. Upon finishing med school, she was obsessed with neurosurgery, but the chair of the Michigan program found a way to insinuate she wasn't welcome "in his program." He sat her down and read off a long list of students he'd washed out of the program. In spite of many people asking, "Is this really what you want to do?" Yes, it was. Canady persisted in the face of resistance, was not to be frightened by intimidating people, and she trusted her knowledge and ability. In the moment, Canady didn't realize the broader impact of her personal accomplishment, but reflecting later, she told NBC Today, "One, it was important for the children, who would no longer see neurosurgery as yet another world that they couldn't belong to. That's the side everybody appreciates. And that was equally important in changing society's expectations. So while being first wasn't important to me, it was important for many others.'

Dr. Canady served as the chief of neurosurgery at the Children's Hospital of Michigan from 1987 until her retirement in June

Correction to last week's column. Diamond Justus is the name of the recent education director for the Montgomery Health Department. She has moved on to the

Youth Services Bureau.

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; or, visit the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County, Indiana Facebook page.

Lunch with the League Friday, Feb. 9, 2024 at noon

Food Insecurity, Battling Hunger in Montgomery County

Kier Crites Muller and Cait Parker from Food Finders will be this month's speakers at Lunch with the League on February 9, 2024 at noon at Fusion 54. Ms. Muller, President /CEO and Ms. Parker, Director of External Relations and Events, will talk about food insecurity in Montgomery County, what it means for the community and how Food Finders is addressing it. Programs including SNAP Outreach and the Mobile Food Pantry Program seek to meet the food needs of people who face hunger daily. The Mission of Food Finders as reflected on their website is "We provide food and connections to lifestabilizing resources

when our neighbors need

us most". Hunger plays a role in the every day life of people who don't have or cannot locate resources for food. The search for food takes over their life and occupies their every day existence. According to an article in the Annals of Nutrition and Metabolism, "Children who were at nutritional risk had significantly poorer attendance, punctuality, and grades at school, more behavior problems, and were less likely to eat breakfast at school than children who were not at nutritional risk." Ann Nutr Metab (2002) 46 (Suppl. 1): 24-30. The call for donations at the local food banks has increased over the year as more and more people need the resources they provide.



Kier Crites Muller

The faces of hunger include not only children but also senior citizens, people with disabilities, people who live in "food deserts". Circumstances for a family can change drastically with the loss of income through job loss or a major health issue. Hear what it means to face hunger, and how Food Finders is battling hunger in Montgomery County.



Cait Parker

Join the League of Women Voters on February 9, 2024. The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization whose interest is informing the public on issues of vital interest. All Lunch with the League events are open to the public and will allow time for questions and answers at the end of each

presentation.

Rep. Genda Helps Prepare Students for Workforce



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opportunities like apprenticeships and other workbased learning Guest Columnist experiences that can

There are

numerous

open pathways for students to learn the skills they need. Indiana also needs more workers to fill high-demand, highwage jobs.

That's why I co-authored legislation that would expand the use of the Frank O'Bannon Grant and 21st Century Scholarship to include job training in addition to traditional college coursework. This would provide opportunities for Hoosiers who may not be interested in pursuing a two- or four-year degree, to use these funds to skill up and obtain highdemand jobs.

House Bill 1001 would build on a law I supported during the 2023 legislative session,

creating Career Scholarship Accounts for Hoosier students to pay for career training, apprenticeships, certifications and internships. These accounts can be used by sophomores, juniors and seniors to enroll in earnand-learn opportunities, as well as to pay for items like transportation and uniforms.

We know employers across the state are struggling to find qualified candidates for job openings, and this effort is a critical step toward helping our students get connected and pay for the skills they need for in-demand careers.

To learn more, visit iga.in.gov. Please reach out with any questions or input at 317-232-9600 or h41@iga.in.gov.

Rep. Mark Genda represents House District 41 which includes portions of Montgomery, Clinton, Boone and Tippecanoe counties.

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Looking for Help?

Are you hiring? Are you a local non-profit or volunteer organization? Then you might want to make plans to attend the West Central Indiana CTE Student Job Fair + Community Expo on Thursday, April 4 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Crawfordsville High School. Nearly 1,000 students from Montgomery and

Boone County will attend the event. Many are looking for full-time or part-time employment, internships and apprenticeships, seasonal jobs or training opportunities. Others might be interested in ways they can get involved in their communities. We hope to offer a variety of organizations and opportunities at this year's event! Participation is free. Don't miss this opportunity to reach the up-and-coming workforce before the school year ends! Contact Samantha Cotten at scotten@cville.k12.in.us for more information.

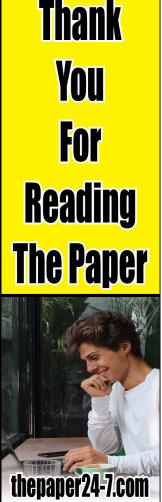


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county has some crime and drugs around, but nothing like the large cities. During the years I served as Sheriff, there were no murders in this county. Each evening, when I watch the Channel 59 News, there are murders in Indy Honestly, I wouldn't live there if they provided a house for free, and paid me \$100,000." The fellow then replied, "You don't have to tell me. We live north of 38th Street near the State Fairgrounds. We hear gunshots constantly. We dare not walk around the neighborhood at night." "I live 18 miles from Lafayette, 18 miles from Crawfordsville and 20 miles from Frankfort . . . all three cities where my wife and I shop and go out to eat. Clarks Hill is three miles away, Colfax is six miles away and it's eight miles to Darlington. All three of these small towns at one time had everything a person needed, but now, for the most part, they are just bedroom communities. School consolidation did that. Clarks Hill has a Post Office, but no businesses. Colfax has a Post Office, library, small grocery and gas station, Pizza King and a hardware store. Darlington has a Post Office, bank, hardware store, gas station, Dollar General and this library. All of the people . . . and I mean ALL of the people . . . even a few old

see my friends, many of whom I have known my entire life, every day. Everyone knows me, and I like that."

"I guess some city folks might be bored out here, but we are happy and contented. We are just country folks, and we always will be. The cost of living . . . housing, utilities, etc. is less out here. No stress. Less noise . . . We can have animals out here, and one of our granddaughters has her horse here on our farm. Each morning, I listen to the birds chirping as the sun comes up. I can hear the mourning doves cooing when rain is approaching. I can sit on the front steps and watch the hummingbirds sip nectar from the hanging basket of flowers and a rosebush. In the evening when sit in my easy chair and read, it is so quiet that I can hear the wall clock ticking! But the best part of all is when I go out at night and look up at the stars on a clear night. I just feel closer to God." The man and woman smiled, thanked me, and headed out the door . . . Folks, I think Montgomery County may have some new residents in the near

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 wellknown artist and author of local history.

Learning About Our Collective History at CDPL

February is here, and CDPL has a Black History Month display and column to share with you. In previous years, our column addressed the origins of Black History Month as it stands today, and how the federal government started recognizing its significance for the African American communities around the country. This time, I'd like for us to take a trip into our past and understand why people say that Black History is American History – and we will start in our own backyard. Did you know that between the years of 1881-1947, Crawfordsville was the location of the Lincoln School for Colored Children? In her book "To Remember the Forgotten School" (RA 370.9772 Sullivan Hudson) Shannon Sullivan Hudson states that "the school was created as a place for the education of the Colored and Mulatto youth" under "separate but unequal legislation." Among its faculty, we encounter the first Black man to graduate from Wabash College. Montgomery County was also an active Underground Railroad site. From anti-slavery believers to abolitionists and activists, community members hid and assisted Black people in escaping the horrors of slavery. Those who embraced the Ouaker traditions and values risked their livelihood and lives. Black families and members of

AME church were instrumental as watchmen, caretakers, and conductors of "Freedom Seekers." In reading "Abolitionists of the Underground Railroad: Legends from Montgomery County, Indiana" (326.809772 Hud) by Sullivan Hudson, you will learn of local ancestors who assisted many in their journey North to freedom. Madam C.J. Walker, born Sarah Breedlove, is known for her line of cosmetics and hair care products for black women, and for being the first female selfmade millionaire in the US. She was an African American entrepreneur, philanthropist, and social activist. In 1910 she moved to Indianapolis where she established the headquarters for the Madam C. J. Walker Manufacturing Company. Because of the opportunities afforded to her as a result of her move to Indianapolis, her business thrived. Her official biography "On Her Own Ground: The Life and Times of Madam C.J. Walker" (921 Walker, C.J.) has been adapted into a Netflix series titled "Self-Made." When in Indianapolis, you can visit the Walker Building, which houses the Madam Walker Legacy Center. "The Survivors of the Clotilda: The Lost Stories of the Last Captives of the American Slave Trade" by Hannah Durkin (NEW 306.362 Durkin) tells us a history of

These are the stories of the documented survivors of the last slave ship to land on US soil, the last documented survivors of any slave ship. The Clotilda arrived in Mobile Bay, Alabama in July 1860 - more than fifty years after a federal law banned the importation of enslaved Africans and nine months before the start of the Civil War. Durkin traces the stories of the Clotilda's 110 captives from their kidnapping in Nigeria to the beginning of the Civil Rights movement in Selma, including the founding of Africatown in Northern Mobile. Readers will deepen their knowledge and understanding of the Black experience in America. Nikole Hannah-Jones is a Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter and founder of

the Center for Journalism and Democracy. She is the creator and editor of "The 1619 Project: A New Origin Story" (973 Six), an anthology of essays, fiction, and poetry by various Black authors that expands the original 2019 project published in the New York Times Magazine. Not without political controversy, and disputed historical facts, the book seeks to include Black people in the conventional narrative of US history as active participants. This book may offer a new perspective to those who appreciate the power and beauty of poetry and fiction but also are open

to reflecting on differing interpretations of our national history. Finally, our display would not be complete without award-winning Black authors, actors, and directors. Come and check out over fifty works of fiction (novels and films), as well as nonfiction (poetry. documentaries, and selfcare materials) carefully selected by your library staff.

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"soreheads," and

"complainers," are nice. I

the Arab-Israeli war in 1948. It was not part of Israel, nor under Israeli control. Then in 1967, during the Six-Day War another invasion Israel did not ask for - Israel captured the territory and occupied it. Tell me, when the bully keeps coming, what are you supposed to do? Again, sticking with the basics, there are a few things people seem to forget when they support the Hamas terrorists. Israel is surrounded by enemies. If everyone in that grade school class wanted to kick your ass at recess, how would you have acted? Hamas doesn't fight fair. The puppets of Iran shield themselves with civilians: put their soldiers and rockets in tunnels under schools, hospitals, apartments. They don't allow civilians to move. They make very sure that if Israel takes them out, innocent people will die. And Hamas – and virtually every neighbor Israel has (not to mention Hezbollah, Fatah, the PLO and other terrorist groups) make it their

What is Israel supposed to

mission to wipe Israel off

the map.

And I ask again, why does so much of the world hate

Jews? But the answer is simple, right? Tell Israel to accept the two-state solution. Actually, Israel seriously considered it a couple of decades ago. Forget the fact that Israel is only about 290 miles from the top of its country to the bottom and 85 miles east to west. (Heck, Indiana is 250 miles top to bottom and 145 miles across to give you a comparison.) Hamas and others have said they do not want a two-state solution. They want Israel gone.

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They want all the Jews dead. They want it all but they don't want Israel to lay down its arms and walk away. They want to win the war. (Let's not forget they define winning by killing every man, woman, child and yes, the babies, who are Jewish.) Here's a thought for those pushing Israel to back down. Let's say Israel listens to you. Let's say Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu calls you up, thanks you for the brilliant idea and immediately calls for a truce.

What will you say to him a month from now, a year from now, when Hamas invades again and kills another thousand or so Israeli civilians - including babies? Forget Netanyahu, what would you say to the parents of those babies? The wives who lost husbands? Sorry?

The peace treaty crowd seems to forget that Israel wants peace - has always asked for peace. It's the other guys who continue to kill. And kill. And kill. Let me ask again - what is Israel supposed to do? Some of us are old enough to remember the former Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir. She is reported to have once said: "Peace will come when the Arabs love their children more than they

hate us." It's easy to understand how some people abhor the death and destruction in Gaza. There have been so many innocent lives lost at the hands of the Israeli Defense Force. It would be easy to call off the dogs of war. It would be easy to gather around the peace treaty table. Except Hamas has publicly said it will

continue to go after Israel

until all the Jews are

dead. The charter of

Hamas says the terror group "rejects any alternative to the full and complete liberation of Palestine from the river to the sea. The Day of Judgment will not come about until Muslims fight Jews and kill them." After the invasion in October, the New York Times interviewed Hamas leaders who said the attack ended any thought of a co-existence with Israel.

We started this conversation by asking you to go back to a time when common sense was a heck of a lot more common than it is today. We readily admitted that we were setting aside the realities of our modern world where the concept that you get what you work for has gone the way of pet rocks and eight track tapes.

That only means that those who think Israel is in the wrong are not going to change. This column was never an attempt to persuade them. In their world, the bully you and I grew up with doesn't exist. There is no problem that can't be solved with time outs and free

You and I know better. Israel is surrounded by bullies and I pray to God Israel prevails.

trophies.

Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically in The Paper. Timmons is the publisher of The Paper and can be contacted at ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com.

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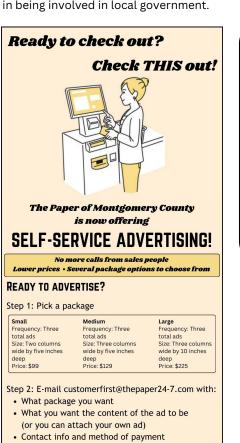
defiance and survival.

The Board of School Trustees if the Crawfordsville Community School Corporation will meet for a regularly scheduled meeting Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Laura G. Hose Elementary School, 800 Fairview Ave. in Crawfordsville. The meeting is open to the public. For The Record is a public service and regular feature in The Paper of Montgomery County. It is designed to tell you what is scheduled to happen and what actually does happen in meetings paid for with your tax dollars. The Paper encourages all citizens to take an active role in being involved in local government.

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Sen. Deery Talks IEDC Reform



SPENCER DEERY

in favor of Senate Bill 295. This bill is a first step Guest Columnist toward reforming

week) on the

Senate floor

the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) so that it effectively brings jobs back to Indiana but also fosters trust among

Hoosiers Economic development is, and should be among, our highest priorities. Without it, fewer Hoosiers will find rewarding and fulfilling careers, and make it harder for the state to fund quality roads and schools, or to meet other expectations of our constituents. Since 2005, IEDC has been an effective advocate for economic growth and we have given them many resources to help them succeed. I believe that with large funding and greater powers should come greater expectations for transparency and accountability. Otherwise, trust erodes and support for economic development dwindles.

This bill is only a first step

in a conversation I plan to

continue to push as we

compete for jobs from

that will never lose the

trust of Hoosiers back at

around the world in ways

empower IEDC to

As you likely know, I authored Senate Bill 249 that would have established guardrails to protect local communities from large unregulated water transfers. I believed early in the fall that the bill was on its way towards serious consideration. I also had been an advocate of pausing the pipeline and we succeeded in getting a commitment that the pipeline would not proceed until the General Assembly could act and the Indiana Finance Authority (IFA) could complete a series of regional water studies.

That success in

unfortunately led to the decision that we should wait to address our water policy issues until the IFA studies are concluded and we even know if there will be a manufacturer that would want access to our region's water. While I'm disappointed Senate Bill 249 was not heard this year, I will continue to work on the issue, and have always believed we would not fix this issue in a single year.

Update on my other Legislation

- Senate Bill 200 passed the Senate with a bipartisan vote of 41-8 on Monday. The bill would introduce more competition into the emergency loan market by requiring some government employers to provide access to nonprofit community loans or loans with similar terms as an employee benefit.
- Senate Bill 2, a Senate Republican priority bill, passed the Senate with a bipartisan vote of 48-1 on Tuesday. SB 2 would roll out several new policies to help more people become child care workers and cut some regulations that drive up the cost of operating child care facilities.
- Senate Bill 202 will be considered by the full Senate next week. The bill would help public colleges and universities in the state to provide scholarly ideas from a variety of perspectives.
- Senate Bill 201 would empower parents to better protect their children from social media and exploitation. It received a hearing but won't move any farther this year. However, the momentum is building for action nationally as the U.S. Senate held high profile

this week on the same subject.

- Senate Bill 17 would require adult-oriented websites to verify the age of their consumers before permitting access to pornography just as we would expect a store clerk to behave in a brick-and-mortar business. This passed the Senate 44-1 and now moves to the House of Representatives for further consideration.
- On Feb. 12, the Senate will start working on and debating House

Protecting Hoosiers' Health

As many Hoosiers know, lead exposure can result in serious health conditions for adults and impair children's mental and physical development.

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Senate Republicans are prioritizing Senate Bill 5 this legislative session, which would better protect Hoosiers' health by creating a procedure to help utility companies in the state replace lead water lines faster and more efficiently.

Improving our state's infrastructure is an important part of ensuring Indiana stays a great place to live, work and raise a family, and that's why I'm pleased to be supporting SB 5 this session.

State Sen. Spencer Deery (R-West Lafayette) represents Senate District 23, which includes Fountain, Parke, Vermillion and Warren counties, and portions of Montgomery and Tippecanoe counties.

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NOTICE OF HEARING Maintenance assessment hearing

Attention all Landowners On the William Hawker #522 on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 9:30

a.m. Montgomery County Government Center 1580 Constitution Row Crawfordsville, IN 47933

54C01-2401-MI-000116 STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MONTGOMERY CIRCUIT COURT)SS: MONTGOMERY COUNTY CAUSE NO. 54C01-2401-MI-000110) IN THE MATTER OF THE) NAME CHANGE OE:)

KRISTI LYNN MANGOLD) NOTICE OF FILING OF VERIFIED

PETITION FOR LEGAL CHANGE OF NAME NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Kristi Lynn Mangold, an adult, has petitioned the Montgomery Circuit Court to change her name to "Kristi Sue

A hearing on said Petition shall be held by the Montgomery Circuit Court,

Second Floor, Montgomery County Court House, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933, on the 19th day of March. 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Any interested person may appear and be heard at said hearing and/or file objections to this request, with the Montgomery Circuit Court, prior to or on said date and time. Justin L. Froedge, #31715-54

Attorney for Petitioner 118 East Main Street, Suite 300 Crawfordsville, IN 47933 (765) 364-9499

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TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me, directed from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54C01-2309-MF-000810, wherein Citibank, N.A., not in its individual capacity, but solely as owner trustee of the New Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 2019-6 was Plaintiff, and Gregory R. Norman and Taneema J. Norman were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree, with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder on the 13th day of March, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Lots Numbered 50 and 51, as the same are known and designated on the recorded plat of Warren Place Addition to the City of Crawfordsville, in Montgomery County, Indiana.

More commonly known as: 808 Danville Avenue, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 Parcel No. 54-10-05-113-123.000-030 Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CRAWFORDSVILLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
Notice is hereby given that the Plan Commission of the City of Crawfordsville will hold a public hearing at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, in the Common Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Municipal Building, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana, to hear the request for primary and secondary subdivision plat approval for a non-residential minor subdivision.

The property location: Southeast corner of US Highway 136 and Cloverdale Drive, Crawfordsville, Indiana (Parcel No. 54-10-04-111-018.000-030)

The petition is on file and available for examination (and purchase at cost) in the Department of Planning & Building Services on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Building, 300 East Pike Street, Črawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (765.364.5152); office hours are 8:00-12:00 noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m., weekdays xcept holidays

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to comment on the proposed request. Oral comments concerning the requests will be heard. Written comments and objections to the requests may also be submitted to the Director of Planning & Building Services, City of Crawfordsville, at the address above prior to the hearing and will be considered.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if anyone wishes to

attend, hear or present evidence at the public hearing and is in need of reasonable accommodation, please contact the Crawfordsville Department of Planning & Building Services at the address or phone number above so accommodation can

Department of Planning & Building Services Megan Huckstep, Director, City of Crawfordsville

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CRAWFORDSVILLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Crawfordsville will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, in the Common Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Municipal Building, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana, to hear the request for a special exception from the schedule of uses of the City Zoning Ordinance to build an in-law suite and allow a duplex dwelling in an R-1, residential zoning district.

The property location502 Shady Lane, Crawfordsville, Indiana

Parcel No: 54-10-04-112-024.000-030)
The petition is on file and available for examination (and purchase at

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TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Montgomery Superior Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No.:
54D01-1904-MF-000427, wherein PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, was Plaintiff, and J D Spencer, Janeille D. Spencer, was/were Defendant(s), requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 13th day of March, 2024, at the hour of 10am or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County. Indiana

Lot Numbered 8, except the South 40 Feet thereof, as the same is known and designated on the recorded Plat of H.E. Green's 1st Addition to the City of Crawfordsville, in Montgomery County, Indiana, as the same appears of record in Deed Record 159 Page 73, in the Recorder's Office of Montgomery County,

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The property locationSoutheast corner of US Highway 136 and Cloverdale

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