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➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Meet Ben



Ben is a 2 year old male American Pit Bull Terrier that has been at The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL) since 2/27/2024 (brought in as a stray). Ben loves going out for walks, playing fetch, and being showered with love/attention. Ben is looking for his best friend! Could that be you? AWL can also ALWAYS use helping hands! Want to help scoop litter boxes, do laundry, clean kennels, kitty snuggles, walk dogs, doggy snuggles, cat/dog enrichment?! Come say hi! - Volunteer - Donate - Adopt - Foster!

Montgomery Minute

Total Eclipse of Art – a 5K Fun Run that takes place just two days before the big eclipse traverses across the great Hoosier state – is a local event from the good folks at Athens Arts. It's set to take off from Christ Lutheran Church on Saturday at 9 a.m. (check in begins at 8). You can register Saturday morning, but it's cash only. The cost for those 15 and older is \$20, ages 6-14 is \$15 and under 6 is free.

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## Boomer Bits



### Ask Rusty – When Should We Claim Social Security?



ASK Rusty Social Security Advisor

#### Social Security Matters

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**Dear Rusty:** I am almost 63 and my husband will be 61 soon, and we are looking to see when our best time would be to start our Social Security benefits. We would like to know if one of us qualifies for benefits from a previous marriage from 1984 to 1995. And we are wondering if I can start drawing at age 65, in two years, or if it is better that I wait until 67 because my spouse is 2 years younger than me. Also, if I were to continue working limited hours after 65, what would my earning limit be?  
**Signed: Almost Ready**

that full retirement age (FRA) for both of you is 67. If either of you claim before that, your monthly benefit amount will be permanently reduced and, because you are working, you will be subject to Social Security's "earnings test."

If you claim your benefit at age 65 your monthly payment will be about 87% of what you would get if you claimed at age 67. If your husband claims at age 62, his benefit will be about 70% of his FRA amount. The only way to get 100% of the benefit

**Dear Almost Ready:** The first thing to understand is

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### Applications Open for Golden Hoosier

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, in collaboration with the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration's Division of Aging, announced this week that nominations are now being accepted for the 2024 Golden Hoosier Award.

This is the 17th year of the program.

"Our state is filled with generous Hoosiers who are constantly giving back to

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### Beware of Flood-Related Fraudsters

Following the heavy rainfall throughout the state, Attorney General Todd Rokita is warning Hoosiers of scammers who use bad weather and pose as repairmen to gain personal information from hardworking homeowners to drain their bank

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### Lunch with League Today

Kristen Latzke, the Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation Director, knows that water is currently on everyone's mind because of the impact that the Boone County LEAP Project is having on our community and on our state. Unlike most of us, however, Latzke is qualified to speak about water. She is an experienced environmental educator and conservationist with a demonstrated history of working among and between various organizations. She has been the Program Coordinator with the Montgomery County SWCD since 2020 and is a trusted voice to explain more fully how water quality, water flow, and other issues directly affect life in our county. The public will have the opportunity to hear Latzke talk about water at noon today at Fusion 54 on the third floor.

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### Jeremiah Harlow – Left a Fine Legacy



KAREN ZACH Around The County

Jeremiah Harlow shares a birthday with one of my direct twin ancestors (John Bryant Barker – always love it if I can connect in some way when writing about an interesting person) born 22 May 1837 in Butler County, Ohio to Garrett and Jane Harlow and came to Montgomery County at the tender age of three months. Four generations of Harlows, including our man Jeremiah are buried in Wesley Cemetery. Garrett has a very nice stone there, born 11 January 1811 and died 20 Jan 1880. He was the son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Washburn), who was the daughter of Jeremiah Washburn, thus our Jeremiah's name! Jeremiah Washburn was the son of Lemuel who was the son of

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### ➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Smoking does not relieve stress – it actually reinforces it.

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

"Don't let someone else's opinion of you become your reality"  
Les Brown

### ➔ TODAY'S JOKE

A husband and wife were looking for a tax accountant – and naturally they wanted one who could find them the most ways to pay less taxes. So when they interviewed tax preparers they asked one question: What is 230,299 multiplied by?? If the preparer could answer the question in seconds without using a calculator, they decided that's who they would hire. Unfortunately, none could until one day when they asked the question and the tax preparer simply smiled and said, "what do you want it to be?"



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

### ➔ THREE THINGS You Should Know

- The Indiana State Library is celebrating Preservation Week this month by holding a conservation clinic and encouraging guests to stop in - and to bring their family heirlooms with them. A team of experienced conservators will be on hand at "Preserve Your Family Treasures: The Indiana State Library Public Conservation Clinic" to show individuals how to best care for antiques and artwork. "Preserve Your Family Treasures" will take place in the Indiana State Library's History Reference Room on Monday, April 29 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free and parking will be validated for those who park in the Senate Avenue garage, directly across from the library. The Indiana State Library is located at 315 W. Ohio St. in downtown Indianapolis.
- The Hoosier Lottery is again participating in April's National Financial Literacy Month awareness efforts to emphasize the importance of planning and budgeting as key to keeping play positive. The state offers several resources to help players boost their financial literacy. Players can visit HoosierLottery.com/PositivePlay to watch a set of educational Positive Play videos. In addition, the Problem Gambling Helpline is available by dialing 1-800-994-8448, texting INGAMB to 53342 or clicking the Chat Now link at the top of any Hoosier Lottery webpage.
- The greatest show on Earth is set to take place Monday with the total solar eclipse. Here are some tips from State Farm to help reduce the risk of having the amazing day eclipsed by an accident or injury.
  - Do not look directly at the sun without solar goggles or eye protection.
  - If you are on the road driving or stuck in traffic, pull over at a rest area when it is safe to do so.
  - Keep your headlights on, especially during the few minutes of totality when it is dark.
  - Be patient. With millions of drivers on the road it may seem more like a parking lot.
  - Watch out for pedestrians.
  - Keep extra space between you and the car in front of you.
  - Most importantly, enjoy it! The next total solar eclipse for a significant portion of the U.S. will be Aug. 12, 2045.



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## ➔ OBITUARY

### Charles E. "Pete" Luttrell November 19, 1947 - March 20, 2024

Charles E. "Pete" Luttrell, age 98 of Crawfordsville, passed away on March 28 at Franciscan Health Lafayette. He was a resident at Whitlock Place in Crawfordsville. Pete was born in



Dunnville, Kentucky on October 4, 1925 to the late Everett and Chloe (McDonald) Luttrell.

Pete proudly served his country in the United States Army during World War II. A proud recipient of a Purple Heart Medal and an Oak Leaf Cluster. He married the love of his life, Dorothe Jewell Reed, on December 25, 1943. She preceded him in death on June 20, 2003. Pete retired from Traylor Brothers after 30 years of service working construction in tunnels. He was a member of Parkersburg Christian Church.

Throughout his life, Pete found happiness in the simple things- the sunshine warmth, riding his bike, and watching sports. He was an avid NASCAR fan and enjoyed attending many NASCAR events. Pete was able to attend the World Series Baseball Game between the New York Yankees and the San Francisco Giants in 1962. On October 31, 2015, Pete participated in the Indy Honor Flight to Washington D.C. with his son, Robert. This became a highlight in his life. Pete enjoyed traveling to watch his son, Robert, compete in drag races. In his younger years, he could be found raccoon hunting with his fellow friends.

Pete will be deeply missed by his son, Robert (Lelane) Luttrell, daughters, Marion (Gary) Rall and Lucinda (Casey) Lashley; grandchildren, Meredith (Warren) McMahon Fox, Sean (Angel) McMahon, Adam Luttrell, Matt (Kristen) Luttrell, and Joe (Ashley) Luttrell; great-grandchildren, Matthew, Charles, Layla, Addison, Emorie, Gisele, Dashiell, Talia and Dovelyn; great-great grandchildren Stella & Abel.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Dorothe; sons, Billy Reed Luttrell, and Charles "Tony" Luttrell; daughter, Elizabeth Fargo; sisters, Pauline Vaughn and Joyce Doan; and his brother, Gerald Luttrell.

A visitation for Pete will be held at Sanders Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S. Washington Street in Crawfordsville, on Friday, April 5, 2023, from 12:00 noon until the time of Celebration of Life at 2:00 pm with Pastor Cody Hargis officiating and Military Honors presented by the United States National Guard and Post 72 Honor Guard. Burial will follow at Ladoga Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given in Pete's name to Honor Flight, PO Box 10, Plainfield, Indiana 46168, or donated online at honorflight.org. Share memories and condolences online at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

## Encouraging Civics in Hoosier high schools



**MARK GENDA**  
 Guest Columnist

To continue bolstering civic engagement among younger Hoosiers, I supported a new law to help

recognize students who go above and beyond to help their communities. Starting with the class of 2029, the Indiana Department of Education and the Indiana Commission for Higher Education will create an Excellence in Civic Engagement designation for Hoosier high school students that will be recognized on their transcripts. Criteria for the designation may include a student's volunteer hours, participation in project-based learning activities that demonstrate engagement in community or statewide initiatives, and

completion of coursework that emphasizes civil society, constitutional government and the democratic process. This legislation builds on a law passed in 2021 requiring Hoosier students to take at least one semester of a civics course in grades six, seven or eight. With surveys like this showing 1 in 6 U.S. adults can't name any of the branches of government, we must continue focusing our efforts on teaching civics to promote community engagement. I remain committed to ensuring future generations of Hoosiers are educated on the ideals defined in the U.S. Constitution.

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

## Crawfordsville Investment Club to Meet Tuesday

The Crawfordsville Investment Club will meet Tuesday, April 9, at 6:30 p.m., at the Crawfordsville District Public Library. The program is a discussion of portfolio diversifications. This is based on various articles in recent issues

of the AAI Journal (American Association of Individual Investors). The Crawfordsville Investment Club meets for educational purposes only. Visitors are welcome. For more information call 765-362-2826.

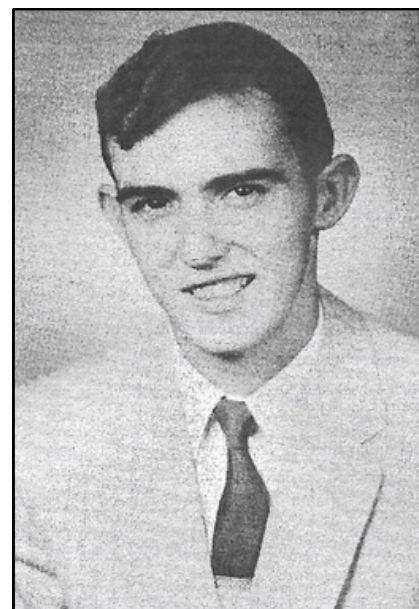
## Might Want to Avoid 136 Going West

Driving west? On U.S. 136? To or through Veedersburg? Then pay attention because the Indiana Department of Transportation is sharing some information about a temporary closure coming to U.S. 136 in Veedersburg, between Maple Street and U.S. 41. Beginning on or after Tuesday, crews will close this section of the road until sometime this summer. Then, there will be individual lane

closures in place from Mill Street to U.S. 41 with flaggers controlling traffic.

Crews will be laying asphalt and doing curb and gutter work during the closures. Work on the entire project is expected to last until sometime in the fall but is weather permitting and subject to change. The official detour around the project while closures are in effect will be I-74 from exit 4 to exit 15.

## Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



### Do You Recognize This Person?

**HINT:**  
*This 1956 Ladoga graduate was one of the best basketball players in the school's history.*

**Answer on Page A4**

## Ol 'Time Radio Returns to Russellville Community Center

Back before there was internet and television, the world came into our home via the radio. Through the radio you could hear play by play of sporting events, get updates on what you had read in the paper, and in the evening have the world come into your living room. With the occasional crackle of interference, you joined in the adventures of The Lone Ranger, we're haunted by the reality that the Shadow knows, and followed Richard Diamond, Private Detective crime solving.

These shows were done live by actors reading scripts, their words augmented by a variety of sound effects. On Saturday, you can sit in on such a live performance as a 1943 episode of Richard Diamond, then starring Dick Powell, will come alive on the stage of the

Russellville Community Center.

This dinner theater is a fund raiser hoping to complete the fund of the center's new roof. Under the direction of Keith Strain eight actors will bring to life the eleven characters in this drama. All these actors have been a part of productions at Crawfordsville's Vanity Theater and are delighted to share this aspect of radio entertainment. The food is donated as well as the time and talent of the actors performing. The menu includes a variety of soups, sandwiches, relish tray, drinks and desserts.

Come join us for this vignette of life in the 40's as we re-create "Richard Diamond, Private Detective-The Hepplewhite Encounter."

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you've each earned from a lifetime of working is to claim at your FRA. You can choose to claim at age 65 as long as you're comfortable with the benefit reduction which will occur, and as long as your annual work earnings do not significantly exceed the earnings limit for that year. In any case, when each of you claims will not affect the other's retirement benefit amount.

Social Security's "earnings test" for those claiming before FRA sets a limit for how much can be earned before some (or all) benefits are taken away. The earnings limit for 2024 is \$22,320, but it changes yearly. If you claim early benefits and your work earnings exceed that year's limit, Social Security will take away \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit. They take away by withholding future benefits long enough to recover what you owe for exceeding the limit. If you significantly exceed the annual earnings limit, you may be temporarily ineligible to receive SS benefits until you either earn less or reach your FRA (the earnings test no longer applies after you reach your FRA). I cannot predict what the earnings limit will be two years from now, but it will be more than the 2024 limit and published at that time. FYI, in the year you turn 67 your pre-FRA earnings limit will be much higher, and when you reach your FRA the earnings test no longer applies.

Regarding your previous marriage, you cannot receive spousal benefits from an ex-spouse while you are currently married. But when to claim may also be

influenced by whether either you or your current spouse will get a spousal benefit from the other. If the FRA (age 67) benefit amount for one of you is more than twice the other's FRA entitlement, the one with the lower FRA amount will get a "spousal boost" to their own amount when both of you are collecting.

Spouse benefits reach maximum at one's FRA, but each person's personal SS retirement amount will continue to grow if not claimed at FRA. Waiting past FRA to claim allows the SS retirement benefit to grow by 8% per year, up to age 70. So, with an FRA of 67, claiming at age 70 will yield a payment 24% higher than the FRA amount, 76% more than the age 62 amount, and about 37% more than the age 65 amount. But waiting beyond FRA is only smart if financially feasible and life expectancy is at least average (about 84 and 87 respectively for a man and woman your current ages). And, as a general rule, if one's spousal benefit at FRA (50% of their partner's FRA entitlement) is highest, then that spouse should claim at FRA to get their maximum benefit.

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**↓ FLOOD** From Page A1

accounts. April showers might bring May flowers, but they also bring con artists to your area claiming to help with flood damage. "When storms of any kind hit the state, it can cause good-hearted people to trust others' deceitful intentions when they offer to help," Rokita said. "Please be cautious if someone approaches you about storm-related repairs and do not give your information away before doing your research." Unfortunately, far too many dubious con artists appear on people's doorsteps, promise to make needed repairs, and then disappear with their victims' down payment in their pockets — never to return to do the work.

Rokita is sharing the following tips to help Hoosiers avoid falling victim to storm-chasing scammers:

- Be skeptical of people promising immediate cleanup and debris removal.

- Know that FEMA doesn't charge application fees. If someone wants money to help you qualify for FEMA funds, that's probably a scam.
- Check out contractors' reputations before enlisting their services.
- Ask for IDs, licenses, and proof the contractor is both bonded and insured.
- Get more than one estimate for work.
- Don't believe any promises that aren't in writing.
- Never pay by wire transfer, gift card, cryptocurrency, or in cash.
- Don't pay the full amount for the project up front.

Dealing with a flood or any weather-related disaster is never easy, but when scammers target people just trying to recover, the experience can become even more difficult.

If you ever suspect a scam of any type, file a complaint at [indianaconsumer.com](http://indianaconsumer.com) or call Rokita's office at 1-800-382-5516.

**↓ LUNCH** From Page A1

She will set our current issues into context by describing the water quality and conservation work the SWCD has been involved with for over 80 years. She will mention the many services offered by the district, mention how Soil and Water Conservation Districts came into being and focus on the importance of water quality and the current health of Sugar Creek. Come and learn why water quality and abundance is so important to our farmers, to our wildlife and to us as a community.

Joining Latzke will be Kenny Cain, lifelong Montgomery County farmer, Sugar Creek steward, and conservation cropping

innovator. Cain, who hosts the Montgomery County fourth grade farm field trips and has received many awards for his conservation farming work, will be glad to answer audience questions from a boots-on-the-ground perspective. Cain is also a member of the Montgomery County SWCD board.

Bring your lunch and join Latzke and Cain as they discuss this most important resource. Lunch with the League is a program in the public interest sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County. Lunch with the Leagues are free, and take place on the first Friday of each month at noon in Fusion 54.

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their neighborhoods and communities," Crouch said. She is also Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "The Golden Hoosier Award is an amazing opportunity to honor those who have dedicated their lives to serving Indiana communities."

The award began in 2008 and annually honors senior Hoosiers for their lifetime of service and commitment to their communities. Since the start of the program, more than 200 Hoosiers have been honored.

To be eligible, the nominee must currently be an Indiana resident, age 65 or older and have been a volunteer in the community for the past three years.

The deadline for submitting applications is Sunday, July 14. Nomination forms can be accessed electronically by visiting [in.gov/lg/lt-governor-initiatives/golden-hoosier-award](http://in.gov/lg/lt-governor-initiatives/golden-hoosier-award).

A ceremony honoring those selected will be held later this year.



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## ↓ KAREN

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Jonathan and Rebecca (Perry) and if this is your line, you're eligible for the Mayflower Society. Pretty nifty! Elizabeth Washburn Harlow is buried at Wesley, the son, Garrett, Jeremiah and one of Jeremiah's sons, Fred are the four generations buried in that precious little cemetery.

Jeremiah had at least four full brothers (Samuel, Philip, Edward and Jacob) and sisters (Amanda, Lydia, and Nancy). He also had a half sibling, Francis. Most of the brothers were farmers in the area and the gals married farmers living hereabout. Families married into were Farley, Marsh, McClure, Steele and Stonebraker. Likely others! Samuel is buried in Oak Hill died at age 76 but is listed (on FindAGrave) as a son of Cornelius, who is his uncle, not father. I tried to fix it as did a couple of other people and it won't take it.

Believe Philip passed away at age 42 and was never married. In the 1860 census, Edward was with his parents, age 22, listed as a domestic, and passed away three years after. He may have had consumption or the like. Jacob died at Jeremiah's, having never married but was a wonderfully loved man, "quiet and unoffensive!" Amanda married Joseph Clarkson and mothered at least Lewis and Charlotte. Lydia married John Stonebraker and they had two daughters, Eva and Clara. She passed at age 80. Nancy was twice married having two Marsh sons, Ota and Worley and a Farley daughter, Daisy. This family also had an older sister, Elizabeth who is I think the one hooked on FindAGrave born 6 Feb 1833 died 13 Aug 1908 married to David C. Cunningham but they have her parents as Jeremiah and Elizabeth Work Harlow, not Garrett and Jane.

That brings us back to Jeremiah. He grew-up on his parents' farm and was close to his siblings. He farmed all his life except for his last eight years or so when his health became frail, and he moved in to town, living with his son Fred at 906 West Pike Street. All those years, he was an active, energetic farmer and neighbor. Well-known for helping anyone in need, he seemed to be a truly good fellow. At age 20, Jeremiah married Martha Jane Ball (isn't she adorable in the picture? I'm so sorry though not sure where the photo came from – we do have it on the InGenWeb Montgomery page, though and thanks so very much to whoever sent it our way). They began their life in a log cabin near Wesley moving to a large

place in the same area. They were active in the Bethel Baptist Church. When she passed away, she requested her four sons and two brothers be her pallbearers. In my case, I have six grandsons so that'll be perfect-o!

Their oldest child, Nathan Garrett Harlow born Aug 1858 went next door to Fountain County where he worked selling insurance. He married Zoe Moore and had at least three children, Leslie, Gertrude and Lucille.

Willard C. Harlow born Oct 1860, married Blanche Kiser and owned and edited the Woodruff Post which was a local newspaper. They had two sons, Harry and Stuart. The son Harry died six weeks before Willard did in September 1924 and it was said it was just too much for Willard to handle.

Oliver Allen lived for several years in the Indianapolis area. He was a traveling salesman and sadly passed at age 56, from cancer that began on his ear. He and wife Mary had Gladys married Sherman Koppers (children: Robert a Navy commander, John a Lt. in the Air Force died in WWII and Mary, a librarian who lived to be 93). Gladys was active in the Vero Beach Florida community choir for many years.

Frederick D sadly died after a severe automobile wreck, where his auto "turned turtle and fell upon him, pinning him under the windshield pressing it against his neck and caused him to slowly choke to

death." He was picked up at the scene and taken to a doctor but too late. Not able to talk, he couldn't say what happened and those checking the scene couldn't put a cause on it either. He was 35 years old, a Sunday School teacher, YMCA officer, active in the Modern Woodman and the father of three children.

Daughter, Bertha J. married Samuel Bitler in Butler County, Ohio Sept 1899. They lived in Elwood where Sam was a medicine salesman listed in one census as a Dr. Quite a difference in their age, he was in the Ohio 6th Infantry Co C. He is buried in the Marion Grant County, Indiana National cemetery but she is not with him.

Clara was the last of their six children married L J Utterback but died at age 33 (11-19-1901) with her first pregnancy, vomiting constantly for eleven weeks and septic for three when she passed away. Wonderful family! Mary said at Jeremiah's passing, "Uncle Jeddy and I understood each other and enjoyed a companionship for years!" (obit) The children felt with "peculiar emphasis that no better father ever lived!" Don't know about you? But, that's some fine legacy!

*Karen Zach is the editor of Montgomery Memories, our monthly magazine all about Montgomery County. Her column, Around the County, appears Fridays in The Paper of Montgomery County. You can reach her at karen.zach@sbcglobal.net.*

## Sugar Creek Quilters Exhibit Open at Library



The Mary Bishop Memorial Gallery at the Crawfordsville District Public Library welcomes everyone to the Annual Exhibit of Sugar Creek Quilters' Guild. Their unique textiles will be on display now through the end of April during CDPL's hours of operation. A limited amount of quilted works will be for sale during the exhibition through our Circulation department.

There are more than 35 quilts and wall hangings of various sizes and shapes. The techniques displayed include machine-sewn, hand-sewn, and machine embroidered. Some of the items are quilted by hand, some by machine, and some on a long-arm sewing machine. Themes include patriotic, samplers, holidays, seasonal, and animals. On Sept. 14, 1992, the first assemblage of the Sugar Creek Quilters' Guild met at the Old Jail Museum where an exhibit of Log Cabin Quilts was being held. Organizers, Katie Mitchell and Anita Hardwick had no idea that 30 quilters would fill the room and be excited about joining together for the joy of quilting. They decided their purpose was to

encourage the enjoyment of sewing and strengthen the bond between quilters. The Guild has shared its work with the community since the group was created and they have exhibited their quilts at CDPL almost every year since 1995.

The Guild's activities started with a workshop making baby quilts for newborns at the Well Baby Clinic. They have made quilts for the Family Crisis Center, Marie Canine Cancer Center, Well Baby Clinic, and Military Veterans. The Sugar Creek Quilters Guild has held educational activities for both adults and 4th graders during Pioneer Days. They give their support to the 4-H Youth organization by sponsoring awards for the sewing category. The Guild also hosted the State Quilt Guild with the help of merchants who displayed quilts in their windows and venues that provided exhibit spaces. Each year in November, the guild members bring creations to be sold at the Holiday Bazaar to raise money for these community projects and programs.

The Sugar Creek Quilt

Guild meets on the 3rd Monday night of the month at 6:30pm at the CDPL. Programs and Show & Tell featuring their members are major focal points of these meetings. Challenges have been offered for members to complete, fabrics have been shared, and the block of the month has been available for members to enjoy and grow. They are continually accepting new members, advanced and beginners, all are welcome.

This is the 32nd year and we love learning new techniques from speakers and each other and we enjoy the friendships that we have made. Please follow us on Facebook under Sugar Creek Quilters.

For more information about CDPL's hours of operation, please visit our website at <http://www.cdpl.lib.in.us/>. If you are an artist or a member of an artists' group and are interested in displaying your work at the Mary Bishop Memorial Gallery in 2025, please contact Toni the Gallery Coordinator at (765) 362-2242 for more details.

*We appreciate our readers!*

## Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia

Answer:  
Mel Todd

## Wabash.

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# Chamber Chatter, Catching up With Chamber Happenings



**STACY SOMMER**  
Guest Columnist

**KYLEE RISNER**  
Guest Columnist



The following are just some of the exciting things going on with our local Chamber of Commerce!

Join the Chamber on Monday, April 8 for Breakfast Before Business to make connections and introduce yourself with an update about your organization. 65 people attended last month so BBB so it's a great way to network. Bring a business card for the collage! Thank you to Crawfordsville Strawberry Festival for being the Gold Spoon Sponsor. We also thank Montgomery County Leadership Academy for being the Silver Spoon sponsor. Join us on the 3rd floor of Fusion 54 (101 W. Main St. in downtown Crawfordsville). The first 50 members to register will receive solar eclipse glasses when you attend the breakfast!!

**\*\*\***  
**THE CHAMBER** invites you to the State Legislative Breakfast on Saturday, April 13, at 9 am on the 3rd floor of Fusion 54 (101 W. Main St.) in Crawfordsville.

Join us to hear updates from the panel which consists of State Sens. Brian Buchanan (District 7) and Spencer Deery (District 23) along with State Reps. Sharon Negele (District 13), Jeff Thompson (District 28), Mark Genda (District 41) and Beau Baird (District 44).

Thank you to Valero Energy - Linden for sponsoring the State

## Meeting Notes: Montgomery County Retired Teachers Association

Vice President Steve Frees welcomed members and guests to the March 11th meeting of MCRTA at the library. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The invocation was given by Dr. Kathy Steele and included an Irish Blessing. Steve introduced David Johnson the first dedicated Executive Director of the Montgomery County Free Clinic.

The Montgomery County Free Clinic was started in 1968 as the Christian Nursing Service with Dr. Mary Ludwig, Rev. Hotopp Zachary, Mary Leaming, Molly Cooper, Kathryn Milligan, Irene Pearson, Dorothy Stringer and Carolyn Snyder coordinating services. Eventually they added Meals or Wheels. In 2012 a

Legislative Breakfast which will include a light breakfast. The event is open to the public. The cost to attend the event with or without breakfast is \$10 for Crawfordsville / Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce members and \$15 for non-members.

**\*\*\***  
**NETWORK** without the work at Business Buzz! Over 30 people gathered for the March Business Buzz! Come join us at Maxine's on Green on Thursday, April 18 any time after 5 pm. Door prize drawing at 6:15. Thank you to Maxine's on Green for being the April sponsor for Business Buzz!

**\*\*\***  
**DONUTS & DISCOVERY** is April 26 at 10 am on the 3rd floor of Fusion 54. Discover why your business of 100 employees or less needs Human Resources guidance. Erika Wonders Melvin of Wonderfully Simple HR Consulting presents the importance of the topics shown below with the opportunity for questions. This is a chamber-only event and there is no cost to attend. Come enjoy donuts and coffee while learning how to protect your organization

**\*\*\***  
**BOWLING NIGHT** is May 13 and super fun so you don't want to miss a great time with your co-workers while networking and promoting your organization! The cost is only \$200 for a five-

person team. This year, it's a DISCO theme!! Costumes are encouraged, not mandatory. However, most go ALL OUT and it makes it extra fun! There will be a prize for the best dressed team in both sessions!

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*KyLee Risner is the Assistant Director at the Crawfordsville / Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, where she passionately promotes and supports local businesses. Originally from Ladoga, KyLee relocated to Crawfordsville in 2015 and has since become involved in the community.*

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony took place at the new facility at 816 Mill Street. It included 6 exam rooms and 2 dental rooms. The Chief Medical Director is Dr. John Roberts. There is a staff of 24 people: 7 paid and 17 volunteers. Dr. Janet Rucker and Dr. Molly Jones serve as dentists with two dental assistants. the Office Manager is Ashley Menard. The clinic serves Montgomery County residents who are currently uninsured and fall below the 300% of the Federal Poverty Level. There are many volunteer opportunities at the clinic. There will be an open house at the clinic on April 23 and a fund raiser (Dining with the Chefs) on August 10th.

David Johnson introduced the ways in which residents can support the clinic

including support of the Solar Project and through NAP (the Neighborhood Assistance Project). Contact Mr. Johnson on the benefits of supporting these initiatives or to do volunteer service.

In the business meeting the minutes from the February meeting were approved as well as the treasurers' report. Membership Chair Kathy Steele reported that there are 140 members an increase of two members. Community Service Chair Nancy Bowes informed the group about the work of Montgomery County Mental Health Volunteers. A collection was taken. Legislative Chair Diane German reported that the Indiana General Assembly passed a bill giving the retired

# Memorializing Sidney Speed



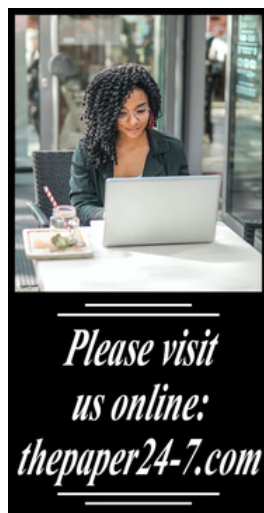
**DELLIE CRAIG**  
Guest Columnist

**SUSANNA HOWARD**  
Guest Columnist

Stop by the library's second floor to learn about Civil War veteran, Crawfordsville mayor, and renowned stoneworker, Sidney Allen Speed. He designed and built many iconic monuments in Montgomery County and beyond, including General Lew Wallace's thirty-foot-tall gravesite memorial at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Sidney Speed was one of three Speeds to work in the monument business. His father, John Speed, worked on the Capitol buildings in Washington, D.C., and Raleigh, North Carolina, and led the stonework on the National Road construction project. Sidney's younger brother, Robert Bruce Speed, is the namesake of "Speed & Zook, importers and manufacturers of Italian marble and Scotch granite monuments!" as advertised in an 1878 newspaper.

Sidney Speed began his stoneworking career in 1874, following his service in the Civil War and a stint at Wabash College. He was a trusted craftsman, responsible for high-profile monuments as well as his neighbors'



tombstones. He carved the marker where William Offield first settled in Crawfordsville and the baptismal font at St. John's Episcopal Church. He also designed the monument for the 18th Battery at the Battle of Chickamauga, the battle that saw him promoted from private to corporal for heroism. A shell had landed among the cannons, and Speed picked it up and threw it before it could explode.

In 2018, over a hundred of his sketches and blueprints were found stored at the Crawfordsville Monument Company by the descendants of his competitors. These sketches were donated to our Local History collection and are on display now. Be sure to scan the QR codes on the display for more information or pick up a handout to take home. If you enjoy local history research, all this information and more is available in the Marian Morrison Local History Collection on the 2nd floor at CDPL.

This display is associated with the Dearly Departed exhibit at the Carnegie Museum, which traces the history of mourning practices in Montgomery County. You can visit the museum between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday through

## Witham Offering Prenatal Yoga Classes

Witham Hospital is offering prenatal yoga classes in the Witham Wellness Center every Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

"A prenatal yoga class is a specialized yoga class that focuses on supporting a pregnant person through the trimesters, while preparing them for birth and the post-partum period," Trina Rose, Witham Wellness Coordinator said. "It fosters a sense of community and allows pregnant people to connect and share their journey in a safe atmosphere." Students will practice breathing and relaxation exercises that can assist in managing perinatal mental health, labor and birth. Modifications of poses for various ailments and those that support physical changes unique to pregnancy will also be offered.

The prenatal yoga classes will be taught by Alena Sentir, MA, LMHC, ATR-BC, RYT-200 who entered yoga teacher training in 2015. At that time Alena's father was stricken with pancreatic cancer and this was a way for her to cope and learn how to encourage others to seek solace in times of stress. Alena

Saturday. Admission is free!

For more information on local history and genealogy topics, the Genealogy Club meets on the second

Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Donnelley Room. If you can't make it to the meetings, a video of the program is uploaded to the library's YouTube channel. On April 9, Shannon Hudson and co-author Vicke Hudson-Swisher will present on Selected Faculty of Lincoln School for Colored Children. This is the second lecture about their research, which they collected in the book "To Remember the Forgotten School". On Friday, April 26, from 4:45 to 8:30 p.m., join us for After Hours Pizza and Research. Members of the public are welcome at both events, but everyone must register for the After Hours event (on paper or online) by April 24.

Check out what's happening on our website at [www.cdpl.lib.in.us](http://www.cdpl.lib.in.us) or call us at 765-362-2242. The library is open Monday-Thursday 9a-9p, Friday-Saturday 9a-5p, and Sunday 1-5p.

*Dellie Craig is a Local History Specialist and Susanna Howard is a Library Assistant in the Adult Services Department at CDPL.*

enjoys seeing new yogis discover the benefits of yoga on their own terms and cultivate their own personal yoga journey. She has a light-hearted style, appealing to those that are new to yoga and those that enjoy a playful and accepting atmosphere welcome to all levels of practice. Initially beginning her personal yoga journey in 2007, it wasn't until she became pregnant with her daughter in 2011 that she started a regular practice.

Experiencing the physical and mental benefits of yoga on the pregnant body and mind, while discovering how pranayama techniques can aid in the labor process inspired Alena to pursue specialized certification in prenatal yoga. In her professional work as a board-certified art therapist and licensed mental health counselor, Alena also enjoys integrating the benefits of yoga mindfulness into her therapy practice. The cost of the prenatal yoga class is \$20. To register for the class please call Trina at 765-485-8126 or go to <https://www.witham.org/event/prenatal-yoga>

# Recognizing Greatness That is Purdue Basketball This Season



**KENNY THOMPSON**  
Columnist

Purdue University is very selective when it comes to erecting statues.

John Purdue. He only founded the place in 1869.

Neil Armstrong. First man on the moon. The Hall of Engineering bears his name.

Amelia Earhart. Legendary aviator and former career counselor in Purdue's Office of the Dean of Women. Earhart Hall, a residential complex, is named in her honor.

John Wooden. All-American guard at Purdue from 1930-32. Coached UCLA to 10 national championships. You'll find his likeness outside Mackey Arena, located on John R. Wooden Drive.

And of course, The Boilermaker. Larger than life at 18 feet tall (not including the base) and appropriately located outside Ross-Ade Stadium on Wooden Drive between the Drew and Brittany Brees Academic Performance Center and the (Jack) Mollenkopf Athletic Center.

Five statues among 2,468 acres in West Lafayette is modest, even by Purdue's conservative standards. No matter what happens this weekend, serious consideration should be given to erecting a statue of Zach Edey. The sculptor could make it life sized (7-4) to fit in one of the handful of entrances to Mackey Arena if outdoor space won't allow.

Humorously, I'd like to see a statue recreating a 1930 photograph of the college basketball giant of his day, Charles "Stretch" Murphy, and legendary Purdue coach Ward "Piggy" Lambert portraying Edey and coach Matt Painter. Murphy stood a foot taller than Lambert at 6-6. Edey only has a 10-inch advantage on Painter but you get the idea.

As a now two-time National Player of the Year winner, it's time to anoint Edey as the greatest basketball player in Purdue history. That's a sentence I didn't think I'd be writing a year ago. To me, Glenn Robinson and Rick Mount have been the standards for Boilermaker greatness. Robinson for his all-around skills and Mount's status as the greatest shooter I've ever seen and Purdue's career scoring leader for 54 years.

None of this would have happened if then-assistant coach Steve Lutz and Painter hadn't taken a chance on someone who didn't start playing basketball until he was 15.

"For me to have payback for Coach Paint for really believing in me, it's amazing," Edey said following Purdue's 72-66 victory against Tennessee for the Midwest Regional championship in Detroit. "There were so many coaches that looked over me. It's kind of been the story of my life. People have doubted me. People looked past me. Can't do that anymore."

It didn't go unnoticed that Edey also honored Purdue Hall of Fame coach Gene Keady, who made the trip to Detroit with the team. After eschewing a ladder to cut a piece of the net, Edey handed a piece to Keady. Reading Keady's lips, he uttered "wow!" before doffing his cap to the cheering crowd.

"You've always got to pay respect to those that came first," Edey said when asked what it meant to have Keady there. "He built this. It doesn't go over our heads. He helped set this all up. To be able to pay him back and give him a little piece of net, it's the least I can do."

Larry Bird. Elvin Hayes. Rick Barry. Oscar Robertson.

Edey's performance this season has elevated him alongside those basketball legends. No

one since Bird in 1979 has recorded at least 900 points (926) and 450 rebounds (452) in a season. Hayes, Barry and Robertson are the only other players in NCAA history with those numbers.

Edey also is the first since Robertson in 1960 to lead the country in scoring (25.0 ppg.) and advance to the Final Four.

Until Edey's career-high 40-point performance against the Vols, no one in NCAA Regional finals history had posted a double-double effort of 40 and 16 rebounds. Those 16 rebounds boosted Edey's season total to 452, breaking his own school record of 438 set a year ago. It's also the first 40-15 game for a Boilermaker since Dave Schellhase on Jan. 21, 1964 against Notre Dame.

Another record within Edey's reach is the single season free throw attempts of 440 set by Furman's Frank Selvy in 1954. Edey has 424 heading into the matchup with North Carolina State.

Edey is the fourth Boilermaker to put up 40 points in an NCAA tournament game. Robinson had 44 against Kansas in the 1994 Southeast Regional semifinal. Carsen Edwards had 42 against Villanova and Virginia in the 2019 South Regional second round and final, respectively.

Painter believes Edey is capable of even greater accomplishments. "He should have got 50 tonight, if he makes his free throws," Painter said after the Tennessee game, slightly exaggerating Edey's 14 of 22 effort at the line. "I know the season is not over, but I thought he'd get 50 in a game this year."

Westfield graduate Braden Smith joined Most Outstanding Player Edey on the Midwest Region All-Tournament team after posting nine points, seven rebounds and seven assists

against the Vols. Smith just missed recording Purdue's second triple-double with 14 points, 15 assists and eight rebounds in the 80-68 semifinal victory against Gonzaga.

Smith is 13 assists away from the Big Ten single-season record, set by Michigan State's Cassius Winston with 291 during the 2018-19 season. "He's evolved as one of the best point guards in the country, if not the best point guard in the country," Painter said. "Just his ability to pass and see things. He's very knowledgeable, very instinctive, makes good decisions but somebody you want the ball in his hands . . . Keeping the ball in his hands helps everybody, especially Zach. Now they've got to deal with him and stop him, and know they've got to deal with Zach coming into the post."

Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.

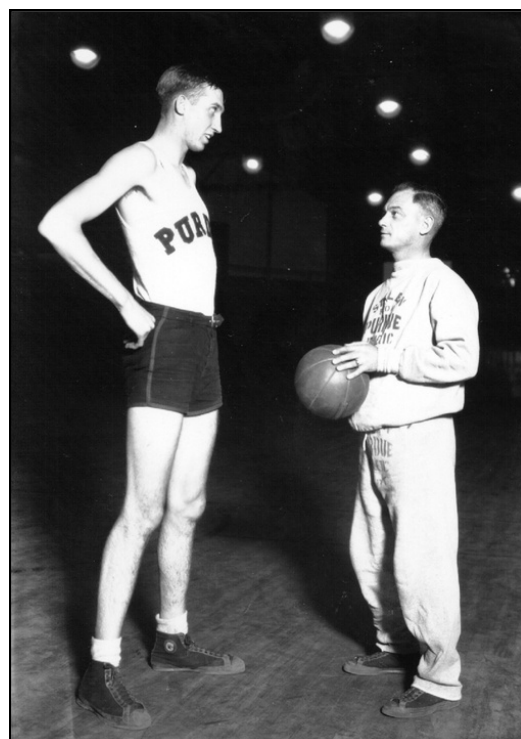


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**Charles "Stretch" Murphy and Piggy Lambert**

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## Montgomery County VSO Report



**JOE ELLIS**  
Guest Columnist

Well it's April and the weather is improving. We have had 64 Veterans who have called the office. I have also had 24 people come into my office with appointments. I have had a number of people looking for DD-214, or their World War II papers. We took nine veterans to their

appointments but we had 21 requests.

After an April 4 appearance at American Legion Post 72, I will be at the VFW Post 1431 on April 18 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. You can call me for an appointment at (765) 361-4133.

There is a Veteran Job Fair on May 2 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. It will take place in Marion at 1700 E. 38th St. There will be more than 60 employers present. Come dressed

to impress and bring your resume. Free employment services prior to the event. Contact Work one Mr. Trey Salter, (765) 425-4766, [TSalter@dwd.in.gov](mailto:TSalter@dwd.in.gov)

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# THE PAPER

# Crawfordsville District Public Library

## FOR ADULTS

- Tuesday  
**9**

**Genealogy Club Meeting**  
Selected Faculty of the Lincoln School  
7p in the Donnelley Room (A)
- Wednesday  
**10**

**Seed Library Series**  
A Night w/Doug Tallamy
- Thursday  
**11**

**CDPL Board of Trustees meeting**  
Open to the Public  
4p in the Conference Room
- Saturday  
**13**

**Library Book Sale**   
2nd Saturday Every Month  
10a-4p Basement
- Tuesday  
**16**

**D & D for Beginners**  
**Registration Required**  
5p in Meeting Room B
- Wednesday  
**17**

**Wyrd Words**  
Open to Adults 18+ years of age  
6p in the Classroom (D)
- Saturday  
**20**

**Morel Mushrooms**   
Ages 12+ years & up  
10a in the Donnelley Room (A)
- Friday  
**26**

**Genealogy Club**  
After Hours  
4:45p in the Donnelley Room (A)
- Sunday  
**28**

**¡Buen Provecho! Michael Brescia**  
Mexican History through Food & Taste  
2p in Meeting Room C

# APRIL

## FOR KIDS

- Monday  
**1**

**1st Grade Book Club**  
For 1st Graders  
4p in Youth Services
- Thursday  
**4 & 18**

**Lego Club & Demolition**   
All ages are welcome  
3:30p in Youth Services
- Tuesday  
**9**

**2nd Grade Book Club**  
For 2nd Graders  
4p in Youth Services
- Every Thursday

**Preschool Story Time**   
For 3-5 year olds  
10a in Youth Services
- Monday  
**15**

**3rd Grade Book Club**  
For 3rd Graders  
4p in Youth Services
- Monday  
**22**

**4th Grade Book Club**  
For 4th Graders  
4p in Youth Services

## FOR TEENS

- Saturday  
**13**

**Teen Film Club**   
Ages 13-18 (only)  
2p in the Classroom (D)
- Tuesday  
**23**

**Teen Anime Club**  
Ages 13-18 (only)  
6p in Youth Services

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