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TODAY'S VERSE

Philippians 3:10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death.

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Ask Rusty – Future Retiree Worried About Social Security's Future



ASK Rusty Social Security Advisor

Social Security Matters

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Dear Rusty:
I keep reading that the SSA will only be able to pay out 75% of benefits come 2033. If congress were to do nothing and this reduction in benefits occurred, would seniors already collecting benefits in 2033 have their benefits reduced or would it only be those who have not begun to collect have their future benefits reduced? I will be collecting my benefits no later than 2027 but my wife will not reach full retirement age until 2033 and we are looking for information on whether we need to adjust savings now to account for mine or

my wife's possible reduction in benefits.
Signed: Worried Senior

Dear Worried Senior:
If Congress does nothing to prevent Social Security's reserves from depletion, Social Security – by law - will only be able to pay out benefits equal to income, which is estimated to be about 23% to 25% short of what will be needed to pay full benefits starting in 2033. That would mean everyone who is already receiving monthly Social Security benefits would

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Volunteering Can Help Combat Loneliness

(Family Features) The bonds found in friendships and other relationships are an important factor in health and wellness – even science says so.

According to the American Psychological Association, forming and maintaining social connections at any age is one of the most reliable predictors of a healthy, happy and long life. Studies show having strong and supportive

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Bootcamp for Boomers by John Grimaldi

AMAC's *Bootcamp for Boomers* is a workshop providing "the knowledge and resources to protect our constitutional freedoms, defeat the extreme leftist agenda, and take back America." The most recent Bootcamp hosted by the Association of Mature American Citizens took place

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Low Turnout Not Surprise in County Primary

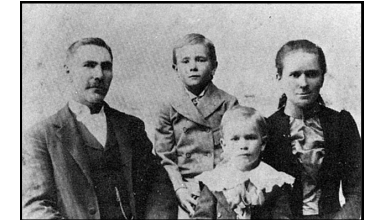
Less than one in four Montgomery County voters turned out for a primary election race that only had a handful of contested races.

A total of 5,158 ballots were cast out of 21,819 registered voters. As usual, Republicans dominated the numbers with 4,713 ballots compared to 445 for the Democrats.

The county council incumbents were all returned to office. David Hunt (27 percent) and Gary Booth (26.5 percent) are joined by Mike Warren (31 percent). David McCartney's bid for council fell short with 15 percent.

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George, Alice, Lester and Chester



These two look healthy and happy (for the times), but not too long after this picture was taken, she passed away. Meet George Marcus and Alice May Himes and their two adored boys, Lester and Chester. Alice May was born Jan 3, 1872, passed November 8, 1900 just 28 years old. George was the fourth of six sons born (29 May 1865 near Ladoga) to Jacob and Catherine (Kessler) Himes. In fact, his brother Perry had just married Mabel White, bringing Mabel to his mother's home (Jacob passed several years prior) to meet the family – his brothers, their wives and children. George and Alice were there to greet the new "daughter" into the family. A week later, Catherine lost her other "daughter," Alice who went into labor losing the baby and her own life, as well. So, the Himes family gained one and lost two in about a week (Family History of Montgomery County and obit) with George losing his beloved wife of a decade and mother of his sons.

Alice was a gentle soul, the daughter of Samuel and Mary (Arnold) Graybill. On February

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Research shows smokers are actually happiest when they are trying to quit.

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

"A mother's arms are made of tenderness and children sleep soundly in them."
Victor Hugo

TODAY'S JOKE

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
Justin.
Justin who?
Justin in time for Mother's Day!
Happy Mother's Day dear mom readers!

MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Did you know the TASTE of Tippecanoe is coming up? It's set for June 15 in downtown Lafayette. However, even better is that things will soon begin gearing up for the very popular TASTE of Montgomery County. The panorama of sights, symphony of sounds and festival of flavors is scheduled for Aug. 24 at the wonderful General Lew Wallace Study & Museum. Tickets are \$8/adult (\$5 presale), \$3/student, children 6 and under are free. Food tickets are \$1/ticket, and no food item is more than 5 tickets.



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THREE THINGS You Should Know

- Want a family friendly and absolutely fun day? Then take advantage of Explore Indiana State Parks on Sunday, May 19. On that day, all park entrance fees will be waved. Never been to an Indiana State Park? Or are you a fan and just want to get back and enjoy a wonderful day. Either way, this is a great chance to see the many state parks and learn what they have to offer.
- Indiana State Treasurer Daniel Elliott recently announced that he has authorized another \$5 million dollars of investments in Israel Bonds for the state of Indiana. As Indiana's Chief Investment Officer, Elliott oversees the investment of nearly \$17 billion dollars of state assets and sits on the boards of multiple state agencies that oversee state funds. "While there may be a few loud individuals on college campuses and other places that want us to abandon Israel, I believe now is the time to refocus and recommit to our most important ally," Elliott said. "We don't need to boycott and divest, but engage and invest." Indiana currently holds \$105 million dollars in Israel Bonds. The purchase is a \$5 million dollar bond at 3 years, at a fixed rate of 5.5 percent and yield at 65 basis points higher than US Treasury notes. Israel has never missed a payment on its debt service.
- After that announcement, Indiana State Comptroller Elise Nieshalla came out in support of the additional \$5 million investment in Israeli Bonds. "What a privilege to represent a state that is offering further investment to Israel that aligns with our fiduciary duty to deliver solid yield, low risk and high liquidity with state dollars," Nieshalla said. "As an American, seeing what is happening to Israel and the Jewish people is devastating and there is a strong sense of duty to stand with our friends. As a Hoosier, I value the opportunity for our state to partner with a country that has offered us decades of innovation and security support."



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Business Stars Shine at Chamber Annual Meeting



Photo courtesy Chamber of Commerce

The Annual Meeting took place during Breakfast Before Business.

The Crawfordsville / Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce held its Annual Meeting during Breakfast Before Business May 6 at Fusion 54.

More than 80 chamber members attended, representing 60 organizations. Each member introduced themselves with an update about their organization. Executive Director Stacy Sommer and Assistant Director KyLee Risner expressed their enthusiasm with the growth of the number of chamber members and the attendance at events which continues to grow exponentially.

The 2024 slate of Board Directors was approved and announced as Trevor Beers from Nucor, Kyle Brown from The Fountain Trust Company, Jordan Burkett from Hoosier Heartland State Bank, Eric Dunaway from Wabash College, Austin Earl from Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, Kim Keeling from Lakeside Book Company, Jill Knowing from Walmart Optical, Bella Lieske from Through the Gate, Tara Miller from Tri County Bank & Trust, Chuy Murillo from Blue Cactus Tacos & Tequila and Acuity Brands Lighting, Tyler Nichols from Taylor, Minnette, Schneider & Clutter and Skylar Stevenson from Stevenson's.

During the Annual Meeting, it was reported that at the end of April, the Chamber had 375 member organizations, including 17 Corporate Sponsors. The Chamber thanked Karen Branch

Paw & Order Coming to Kroger Parking Lot

It's time for Paw & Order! No, no. Not LAW. Not the TV show. PAW & Order, as in a food and donation drive that is a conjunction between the good folks at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, the Crawfordsville Police Department and the Animal Welfare League.

The event, which is also sponsored by the

from the Youth Service Bureau for completing the term limit as being a director on the board since 2019.

The calendar year 2023 was a busy one with 26 ribbon cuttings and 28 events which brought more than 1,600 in attendance, including 232 people at the Award Banquet. Events are an effective way for organizations to network and make connections with sponsorships being a resource for marketing and advertising organizations. The Chamber Ambassador program is strong and active. Ambassadors help support the Chamber at events and spread the excitement of our chamber. The 2024 Ambassadors are Erin Azar from DES Engineering, Wayne Black from Lakeside Book Company, Jessica Bokhart from Market Street Wealth Management Advisors, Kate Duncan from BK Management, Jami Harrington from Reclaimed by Grace, Caryn Heisel from Hoosier Heartland State Bank, Macy Lewis from Sanders Funeral Care, Larry Meadows from Acuity Brands, Brian Swick from Everwise Credit Union and Giovanni Zappala from Freckles Graphics.

For more information about the Chamber, you can visit www.crawfordsvillechamber.com. To become a member, you can join from the website or contact ssommer@crawfordsvillechamber.com or (765) 362-6800.

Fraternal Order of Police (Lodge #90) and Kroger, takes place on Saturday, March 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the parking lot of Kroger.

To take part, simply bring pet food and / or donations. Someone from one of the above organizations will be happy to accept your generous gift.

C'ville Man Arrested and Charged With Felony Theft

A Crawfordsville man was arrested and charged with felony theft after police say he stole an all-terrain vehicle.

Clarence McClure, 45, was charged with two counts of felony theft and three misdemeanors – resisting law enforcement, possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia.

It began on Monday around 3 p.m. when the Boone County Sheriff's Office was told a Polaris UTV was taken from an area near County Road 800 North and 1050 West. The Polaris was parked in a field while the owner was working on his tractor. The farmer told police he watched a white male dressed in black get in the Polaris and drive away.

Several law enforcement agencies acted swiftly and found the Polaris wrecked near a creek in the area of 1200 West and State



Clarence McClure

Road 32. Following a K9 track from the area, law enforcement located a white male matching the description walking along State Road 32, south of the crash site. That suspect was identified as McClure. He was arrested and transported to the Boone County Jail.

Six law enforcement agencies worked on the case, Thorntown, Lebanon, Jamestown, Crawfordsville, Boone County and Montgomery County.

Montgomery County Sheriff Ryan Needham said it made a difference. "This is a great example of surrounding agencies working together to help apprehend criminals."

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get a payment 23% to 25% less than they were previously receiving. And without reform, new beneficiaries would get benefits similarly reduced.

The action needed to prevent those cuts from happening resides with Congress, and any program reform they enact would likely only affect those who are not yet collecting. Whether or how that would affect you and your wife as future SS beneficiaries depends on the scope of reform Congress will enact which, of course, is not yet known. That uncertainty, itself, is reason enough to bolster your savings for your future retirement.

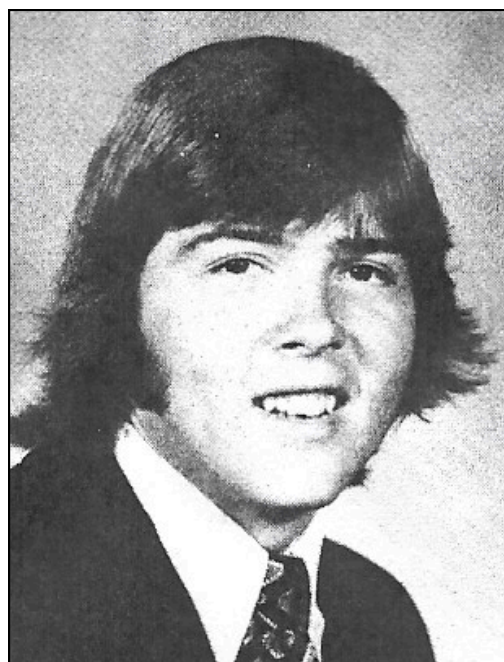
The probability of Congress allowing the Trust Funds to be depleted, thus necessitating an across the board cut in everyone's benefit is, in my opinion, slim (it would be political suicide). Congress already knows how to fix Social Security's financial woes – they just currently lack the bipartisanship and political fortitude to do so. And it's doubtful any Social Security reform will happen this election year - rather, the opposing sides will likely just sling accusations at each

other in 2024. But rest assured that both sides of Congress are acutely aware that reform of the Social Security program is needed soon, and we are already seeing signs that progress on reform may be forthcoming (but not until after the 2024 elections).

Congress is notorious for waiting until the last possible moment to act, and I don't suggest you alter your Social Security claiming strategy based on the unknown. But building a bigger nest egg for retirement is always a prudent goal. Also, calling your Congressional Representative to endorse needed Social Security reform which ensures your future benefits will not be cut would be a good move.

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Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize this 1975 CHS grad?

HINT:
 He has worked for the city of Crawfordsville for many years . . . in two different jobs!

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friendships can fend off depression and anxiety, lower blood pressure and heart rates in stressful situations and change the way people perceive daunting tasks.

However, statistics show approximately half of U.S. adults lack companionship and feel socially disconnected, according to the U.S. Surgeon General's Advisory on the Healing Effects of Social Connection and Community. In fact, 12% don't have anyone they consider a close friend, per the Survey Center on American Life. This "epidemic of loneliness," as coined by U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy, can take a severe toll on mental and physical health.

As people age, the risks of isolation increase. With America's older population growing rapidly – the 65 and older population reached more than 55 million in 2020 – discussing how older adults can combat loneliness is relevant to public health and individual well-being.

Consider volunteering, which is one of the best and most rewarding ways to combat loneliness.

Volunteering Combats Loneliness

People often volunteer to find a sense of purpose, learn new skills, improve their communities or establish new routines after retiring or becoming empty nesters. For many, making friends through volunteer work is a welcome bonus. The act of volunteering provides proven benefits for older adults.

Forming connections can make all the difference in a person's volunteer experience and sense of well-being. People who meet through volunteer work inherently share a common interest and something to bond over. These friendships can carry over outside of volunteer work and lead to bonding over other hobbies and

interests.

Connection-Focused Volunteer Opportunities

In addition to making friends with fellow volunteers, many older adults also form relationships with the people they're serving, especially if those recipients are their peers.

For example, AmeriCorps Seniors is the national service and volunteerism program in the federal agency of AmeriCorps that connects adults aged 55 and up to local service opportunities that match their interests. Its Senior Companion Program pairs volunteers with other older adults or those with disabilities who need companionship or assistance. Volunteers may help with tasks such as paying bills, shopping or getting companions to appointments. In some cases, volunteers may also provide support and respite for family members caring for loved ones with chronic illnesses.

"We often think of volunteering as 'giving back,' but we've seen firsthand that it often becomes so much more than that," said Atalaya Sergi, director of AmeriCorps Seniors. "By spending a few hours each week with another older adult in need of support, our volunteers are not only giving back to others, but they're adding meaning to their own lives and establishing new connections. They're helping to fight the loneliness epidemic one visit at a time."

Growing older can come with challenges, but some of those can be minimized with a positive mindset and commitment to remaining connected and engaged – whether with friends, relatives or fellow community members. Fostering relationships is a key ingredient to a healthier and more fulfilling life.

For more information and to find volunteer opportunities near you, visit AmeriCorps.gov/YourMoment.

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in Bucks County, Pennsylvania and included parental rights activist January Littlejohn, Former White House Deputy Press Secretary Hogan Gidley, and former Ambassador Carla Sands.

Parental Rights

January Littlejohn is a mom fighting to protect children and families from the harms of radical gender ideology. As she put it, "it used to be that when children experienced distress over their sex, it was due to trauma. Today children, are being taught the lie that they have a so called gender identity that is completely separate from their sex, and that they can choose to be a boy, girl, neither or both." She said it is an ideology that preys on the vulnerable and can seriously harm children before they have developed the mental and emotional capacity to fully understand the repercussions.

Littlejohn went on to note that she and her husband "reached out to a teacher and let her know that [their] daughter was struggling with this confusion. Well, that teacher turned out to be the LGBTQ advocate on campus." Even worse, school officials met with her daughter and socially transitioned her without the Littlejohn's knowledge or consent.

"It's really important for you to be inoculating your children and grandchildren and what that looks like is teaching them the truth from a young age, whether it's from a place of faith or not," Littlejohn said. "We are born male and female and that can never change. Children need to be told that from very young ages. It's not a matter of if they will be exposed to this ideology, it's when this has permeated every aspect of our culture from movies to children's programming. So even if you homeschool or have them in a Christian private school, they are not safe. I am working with families that are homeschooling their children where their children were exposed online. By the grace of God, my daughter is completely free of any confusion."

Ranked-Choice Voting

During the election integrity panel, experts discussed the dangers of ranked choice voting, an electoral system that allows voters to rank candidates. Andy Mangione, senior Vice President of AMAC Action, put it succinctly when he said, "ranked choice voting stinks. If your first place candidate

doesn't get a 50 percent majority, [he or she] is thrown out. Then your vote goes to the second place candidate. And, if that person doesn't get 50 percent plus one majority, they're eliminated. The process continues until somebody receives a 50 plus one majority. Here's why this stinks. Vote tabulation is a nightmare. It's complicated. It's complex. It's confusing. We're against it and we're fighting to eliminate it."

Hogan Gidley seconded Mangione's take on ranked-choice voting. "It's just completely evil. It may work at the local Moose Club chapter, but it's not gonna work for a statewide election. In fact, the two states that did it, Maine and Alaska are both trying to overturn it now because they realize how clunky and cumbersome it is.

Gidley is Vice Chair of the Center for Election Integrity at the America First Policy Institute (AFPI). As he put it, "what we saw after 2020 were a lot of rogue governors and secretaries of state and attorneys general and crazy election boards just decide to do things unilaterally without going through the proper channels. And so we built out a system where we have people all over the state in various regions, here in Pennsylvania, but also in the big swing states, Arizona, Nevada, Wisconsin, Georgia, North Carolina, Michigan, et cetera. They work with legislators to educate them on the importance of having good election laws on the books that protect legal votes and legal voters. And we've passed laws in something like 32 states at this point. And if we have a state where a legislature will pass something but the governor just vetoes it, like in Wisconsin, what we did was we just said, fine, we'll take it right to the people. And we put ballot referendums out there."

How to Win in 2024

Attendees heard from one of the state's prominent citizens, Carla Sands, who was appointed the U.S. Ambassador to Denmark, Greenland, and the Faroe Islands by President Donald Trump. Her opening remarks received a loud cheer when she declared, "we're all in this room determined to save our country and fight to save our constitutional rights."

She said that we live in "the greatest country in the history of the world. And we're on the razor's edge of

slipping into communism and totalitarianism because of the forces on the left. It's extraordinary how fast they've moved. When we handed the keys over to Joe Biden the world was stable. America was leading on every front. We had peace in the middle East. Now we have such extraordinary disarray and chaos in every part of the world." As she put it, after the last three years of the Biden presidency "our allies look at us as weak. They look at us as weak because we have a corrupt, compromised President in the White House who also doesn't seem to be, according to the DOJ, completely cogent. It should be an easy win for President Trump, but it's not going to be because they're trying to put him in prison for 700 years. It's extraordinary. He is locked up in a courtroom, not able to campaign, not able to be out on the trail."

Before the event concluded, attendees participated in a training session empowering them to get involved and help turn our country around in 2024. As one participant left, she remarked: "I just retired after 30 years. Now I know what I am going to do to make a difference." That's what these Bootcamps are all about—enabling American seniors to be the change makers in their communities.

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6, 1890, Elder Matthias Vanleave pronounced this good couple man and wife at her parents' home. In December that year, their first son, Lester was born. His brother, Chester arrived three years later, same month. Lester lacked a few days of being ten and Chester yet six when Alice passed away.

The Himes family lived east of Ladoga, Alice having invested her \$3000 dowry on their farm. He was quite a worker, clearing land and otherwise farming. Also, he was active in the K of P and the Horse Thief Detectives. Alice was a member of the Rathbone sisters. She and her little one were buried together in Harshbarger Cemetery north of Ladoga. The newlyweds, Perry and Mabel stayed with George and the boys for a short time while building their home, then the boys moved in with them for awhile. That summer, George took Chester and Lester to their Aunt Lucille (Alice's sister) and her husband's (Roy Gregg) in Montrose, Colorado. In the fall, they arrived on the train back home again in Indiana and stayed with their grandmother Himes. Talk about a wicked stepmother! Luckily, the boys had the opposite, a real peach when their father married Clara Oliver who was a sweet, capable lady who raised the boys with the two she and George had (Ruth and Merle). Their home was a loving, comfortable one.

Lester married Zola McMullin 29 March 1913. Two boys and three daughters were born to them. Herman George was raised on the home farm then attended Purdue graduation with a degree in Agriculture. Attending officer's training, he went on to rank Captain on the USS Concord (WWII)." He remained in the service for 30 years. He married late in life, passing 5 Sept 2013 and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery. Marjorie married local minister Francis Theron McCarty and lived to be just shy of 90 years old. This wonderful couple were married 62 years. Being a minister, they moved around to several places in Indiana and Ohio. Two sons: Richard Francis born in 1925 and Ronald Gene 1940. Kathryn (Kathy) married Robert Lucke and lived in Ft. Wayne, later marrying Wally Byrd (a Sgt in the AF Korea and Vietnam) and living in the Tampa area of Florida, they owned an antique store. She designed vests with birds, animals and

seascapes. Sadly, she lost 15-year-old daughter, Dorothy on 4 July 1976 when struck by a car walking along a highway. Herbert Max "Bud" graduated Waveland HS he joined the Army Air Corps as a flight engineer on B-29's. Returning, he graduated from PU in Mechanical Engineering. Back to the service, he completed flight school and flew the F-86. He met and married Nancy Beery, a stewardess. In 1953, he left the service then flew for United Airlines. Children: son Steven and daughters, Susan and Sally. Last child of Lester's was Barbara Jean (FindAGrave has a beautiful picture of her) who moved to Las Vegas and passed at age 92. At age 22, she married Robert Radford. Two children: Paul and Phillip. She worked for many years at Elston Bank and he at MidStates. He was active in Civic Band, Masons, Legion (WWII), and Shriners.

Chester married Ruby Linn and they parented two daughters, Marian Marciel and Ruth Pauline. Ruby sang solos and was pianist at the Whitesville Church but sadly passed away young. Chester farmed and lived to age 88. Marian married Richard Deckard and is buried in Oak Hill Grant Avenue (Masonic Cemetery), as well as her parents and brother, Lester who passed at 94. Ruth and her husband, William Moore lived near Ladoga where she was a beautician. Three daughters: Joy, Jan and Ruby. Buried Grant Avenue.

Ruth married Clyde Johnson, local farmer and was a few months shy of being 90 at her death in 1994. One son, Don and a daughter, Phyllis.

Another long-living Himes was Merle who married Ruby Thompson and secondly Ruth Potts. He was a farmer and passed away at age 90. George Himes passed away at 71 (president of the New Market Telephone Company at death) after having a prostate operation passing from septic poisoning. He is buried with Alice in Harshbarger cemetery with 2nd wife, Clara, nearby. Rest in Peace, all!

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Mecum's Auction Returns to State Fairgrounds With Nearly 3,000 Vehicles

Schedule of Events

Friday, May 10 to Sunday, May 12

Doors Open at 8 a.m.
Road Art at 9 a.m.
Collector Cars at 10 a.m.

Dana Mecum's 37th Original Spring Classic

Monday, May 13

Doors Open at 8 a.m.
Road Art at 9 a.m.

Road Art Monday

Tuesday, May 14- Wednesday, May 15

Doors Open at 8 a.m.
Road Art at 9 a.m.
Collector Cars at 10 a.m.

Dana Mecum's 37th Original Spring Classic

Thursday, May 16- Saturday, May 18

Doors Open at 8 a.m.
Road Art at 8:30 a.m.
Collector Cars at 9 a.m.

Dana Mecum's 37th Original Spring Classic

Sunday, May 19

Venue Tear-Down

By Casey Williams
For Sagamore News Media

You know it's May when the horses return to Churchill Downs, cars circle the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, and Mecum Auto Auctions sets up camp at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. You can see them all on television, but you'll want to attend the last one in-person whether you want to buy a classic car or just enjoy watching others win their prize.

Dana Mecum's Original Spring Classic returns to the Indiana State Fairgrounds for its 37th year, running May 10-18. It's expected to draw around 3,000 vehicles plus a selection of Road Art automotive memorabilia. Last year's auction achieved \$113 million in total sales, so expect some big-dollar sales again this year.

Mecum is known for offering a wide array of American muscle cars, classics, Corvettes, trucks, SUVs, and even an occasional European micro car, exotic sports car, or hot rod. Even if you aren't planning to buy a vehicle, it's a car show beyond compare with most of the barns

full of vehicles. Interesting in seeing a 1960s Corvette? There will be more than you can count. Camaros? What year and color do you want? How about a square body GM pickup or Blazer? Take your pick, but personal collections add special interest.

Check out the Frank Micoli Collection featuring 40 cars and 17 motorcycles, including a 2011 Ferrari 599 GTO with just 3,148 miles and 2021 Ferrari 812 GTS with 37 miles. Add to that a 1964 Ford Galaxie 500XL, 1965 Pontiac GTO Convertible, and 1969 Mustang Boss 302 Fastback. Expect a selection of Ducati and MV Agusta motorcycles too.

The Apex Collection focuses on Fords, specifically a Wimbledon White 1965 Shelby GT350 Fastback that was used for Ford Public relations and a 1966 Shelby 427 Cobra Roadster driven 18,066 miles since new. Like those? Also see the nine-car Jason Dietsch collection of Saleen-modified Fords.

Showcasing the height of Chevrolet performance is the Corvette Evolution Collection offering 34

Corvettes from 1953 to 2003. Two special ones are a Bloomington Gold Certified 1964 Convertible with the J56 Special Sintered Metallic Brake Package and Bloomington Gold Certified 1970 ZR1 Convertible that's one of only 25 Vettes produced in 1970 with the ZR1 Special Purpose Engine Package putting down 370 horsepower.

Follow that with the Black Corvette Collection with seven 1960s models that includes a 1967 Convertible, one of two L79 convertibles in Tuxedo Black with white interior and factory air numbers-matching 327 350hp V8.

The list of Fords, Chevy, and Pontiac muscle cars is endless, but there are other unique rides rolling up for sale - like a 1989 Lamborghini Countach 25th Anniversary, 200-mile 2022 Lamborghini Aventador LP 780 Ultimae Roadster, and 2004 Porsche Carrera GT (one of 1,270 built). Fans of Hoosier automakers will relish a 1957 Studebaker Golden Hawk offered by the original owner's grandson.

It is Indianapolis, so its

wholly appropriate to see a parade of Indy 500 pace cars cross the block. Some of the best come from Roger Penske's collection and range from the 1979 Ford Mustang to the 1984 Pontiac Fiero, 1989 Pontiac Turbo Trans Am 20th Anniversary, 1993 Camaro, 1994 Mustang SVT Cobra, and 2003 Corvette 50th Anniversary edition. The 2006 Corvette Z06, and 2019 Corvette Grand Sport Coupe are also exciting. There's even a 1985 Oldsmobile Cutlass Calais, 1988 Chrysler LeBaron Convertible, and 2002 Oldsmobile Bravada SUV. If you love pace cars, you'll want these.

Make plans to attend. Doors open daily at 8am with auctions starting by 9am May 10-18. Monday 5/13 is dedicated to Road Art only. Tickets are \$30 for one-day admission, \$75 for three days. Bidder registrations start at \$100 with options for in-person, telephone, and internet bidding. Children 12 years and younger enter free. If you can't make it in person, check schedules for MotorTrend, Max, and Discovery Channel broadcasts. For the latest information, go to [Mecum.com/auctions/indy-2024](https://mecum.com/auctions/indy-2024).

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Ranking Purdue's Top 10 Football Teams of All Time Easier Than Hoops



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

Last week's list of the 10 best Purdue men's basketball teams was difficult to assemble. There were probably another 10 teams that could have made the cut.

When putting together the ranking of the 10 best Boilermaker football teams, the decisions weren't as difficult. There have only been four consistent successful eras of Boilermaker football: 1922 to 1936 under James Phelan and Noble Kizer; 1956-69 with Jack Mollenkopf; 1977-81 under Jim Young and 1997-2008 with Joe Tiller.

Perhaps not coincidentally, Phelan, Mollenkopf and Young are enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame. Kizer, 42-13-3 in seven seasons, probably would have made it four had his coaching career not been halted by what proved to be a fatal illness. Tiller's .575 winning percentage falls below the Hall's .600 standard.

In order, here's my top 10 Purdue football teams of all-time:

1979

To date, no Purdue team has matched the 10 victories won by the 1979 squad.

Coach Jim Young and quarterback Mark Herrmann were elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1999 and 2010, respectively.

"If I had to single out one season, our junior year in 1979 when we won 10 games was probably the most enjoyable," Herrmann said in 2007. "We beat Notre Dame and Michigan that year. I think that's as good a team as I've played on."

Victory No. 10 came against Tennessee in the Bluebonnet Bowl inside the Houston Astrodome. Just like Purdue basketball's NCAA tournament victories in 2019 and this past April, the Bluebonnet Bowl came down to the final moments.

Herrmann rallied the Boilermakers to a 27-22 victory, throwing a 17-yard touchdown pass to fellow All-American Dave Young

with 1:30 remaining. The Boilermakers marched 80 yards in just over two minutes after the Vols had taken a 22-21 lead.

"I was very confident," Herrmann told me in 1998. "When I stepped in the huddle, there weren't any anxious faces. We felt we could move the ball on them. We were very patient."

Center Pete Quinn liked what he saw from Herrmann during the final drive.

"As soon as I saw Herrmann start that drive, the only thing I didn't know was how long it would take before we scored," Quinn said. "It was a real turning point in Mark's leadership. He took control of the huddle like I'd never seen him do before."

Herrmann would win the second of his three consecutive bowl MVP awards and set numerous Purdue and NCAA passing records.

1943

With a lot of help from Uncle Sam, Purdue fielded its most recent undefeated team.

With World War II escalating, the United States Navy and Marine Corps were using universities like Purdue to train officer candidates. As a side benefit, their recruits were allowed to play collegiate sports for as long as their training period allowed.

More than 30 players from the University of Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and other schools were sent to Purdue. They included All-American guard Alex Agase and running back Tony Butkovich, both former Fighting Illini. Second-year head coach Elmer Burnham molded 26 Marines, seven Navy men and nine civilians into a 9-0 Big Ten championship team that was ranked fifth in the final Associated Press poll.

"Football is teamwork and we jelled pretty quickly," Agase told me in 2001. "The coaches – Joe Dienhart, Sam Voinoff, Cecil Isbell and of course, Elmer Burnham, did an excellent job of putting that team together. That's not easy to do, to take people who don't know each other, from various

universities and get them to jell. But it was a talented team and that is the bottom line."

Agase, the only man to earn All-American honors at two different schools, anchored an offensive line that included Fordham All-American center Lou DiFillippo and guard Dick Barwegan, "as good a football player as I ever saw," Agase said.

Butkovich won the Big Ten scoring title with 16 touchdowns and led the nation in rushing with 833 yards in just seven games before the Marine Corps called him to active duty. The 16 rushing touchdowns remain a school record, matched by Kory Sheets in 2008.

"He was so tough," Agase said. "He could run over you. He could make you miss. He could stiff arm. He had all the attributes of a great running back."

Butkovich died in action on Okinawa on April 18, 1945.

To learn more about this team, I recommend Cory Palm's book "Perfect Warriors."

1966

College Football Hall of Famers Bob Griese and Leroy Keyes were among the stars of the first Purdue team to reach the Rose Bowl.

Keyes was a sophomore who mostly played defensive back. Even though he was from Newport News, Va., Keyes was well aware how much the Rose Bowl bid meant to the Boilermakers.

"Knowing that we could be the first weighed heavily on us, but I think it weighed in a positive light," Keyes told me in 2000. "We could do something that hadn't been done before. Being the first to accomplish that mission was something we relished."

The Boilermakers finished 9-2 with a 14-13 victory against Southern Cal in Pasadena. The two losses that season were to No. 1 Notre Dame and No. 2 Michigan State. The 1966 season began a spectacular four-year run for Purdue, which would go 8-2 each season from 1967 to 1969.

2000

One of the most memorable months in Purdue football history capped Joe Tiller's rebuilding project in West Lafayette.

A season of high expectations began with a 3-2 record and a pair of two-point losses at Notre Dame and Penn State. Then came October. A dramatic second-half comeback and Travis Dorsch's field goal in the final seconds lifted Purdue past No. 6 Michigan 32-31. A 41-28 victory at No. 17 Northwestern was followed by a 30-24 overtime victory at Wisconsin when Ashante Woodyard returned a blocked field goal 27 yards for a touchdown.

Finally, the stirring 31-27 come-from-behind victory against No. 12 Ohio State when Drew Brees threw a 64-yard touchdown pass to a wide open Seth Morales with 1:55 remaining.

Thanks to its victories against Michigan and Northwestern, Purdue received its second Rose Bowl berth following a 41-13 victory against Indiana.

1929

The Boilermakers claimed their only outright Big Ten championship with this undefeated squad under coach Jim Phelan.

Purdue's first two consensus All-Americans, tackle Elmer Sleight and halfback Ralph "Pest" Welch, set the tone for the season in the fourth quarter of their second game. Trailing Michigan 16-6 after three quarters, the Boilermakers thrilled the Ross-Ade Stadium crowd by scoring four touchdowns in less than 15 minutes to win 30-16.

During the final six games of the season, Purdue recorded four shutouts and allowed just two touchdowns.

1967

This team could have been much higher in the rankings if not for a puzzling home loss to Oregon State after climbing to No. 2 in the national polls and an upset by Indiana that sent the Hoosiers to their only Rose Bowl.

Leroy Keyes and Mike Phipps began to establish the credentials that led to their induction into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1990 and 2006. Keyes rushed for 986 yards and was a consensus All-American.

Phipps led Purdue to the first of three consecutive victories against Notre Dame, which was ranked No. 1 when the two schools met on Sept. 30 in Ross-Ade Stadium.

"We had great players

on offense and defense," Phipps told me in 1998. "We expected to win. Notre Dame just happened to be in the way. Both programs were at a peak in those years. It meant a lot to the season of both teams."

Indiana's 19-14 victory denied Purdue an outright Big Ten championship, which it also had to share with Minnesota.

1952

The co-Big Ten champions with Wisconsin were denied a trip to the Rose Bowl when a vote of athletic directors favored the Badgers.

"They thought Wisconsin was the most representative team. We didn't agree," quarterback Dale Samuels told me in 2018 upon the occasion of his induction into the Indiana Football Hall of Fame. "In our opinion, our non-conference games were much tougher than Wisconsin. That was a big disappointment." Purdue had to rally against Indiana to gain a share of the Big Ten. Trailing 16-14 in a downpour, Samuels guided the Boilermakers 66 yards for the winning touchdown, a Rex Brock 24-yard run with 4:22 remaining.

End Bernie Flowers was a consensus All-American pick.

1968

Purdue began the season ranked No. 1 in the nation, and Sports Illustrated featured Leroy Keyes on the cover of its college football preview.

"It will be the greatest disappointment of my life if we do not have a very successful season," coach Jack Mollenkopf said before the season opener against Virginia.

Including a 37-22 victory at No. 2 Notre Dame, Purdue was off to a 3-0 start before losing at eventual national champion Ohio State 13-0. An 8-2 season was capped by a come-from-behind 38-35

victory against Indiana. In his farewell game, Keyes scored four touchdowns and surpassed 1,000 rushing yards for the season. His 1-yard touchdown run with 1:35 remaining capped a comeback from a 28-10 deficit. 1978

These Boilermakers came within one point of being the second Rose Bowl team at Purdue. A 24-24 tie at Wisconsin cost

Purdue a three-way share of the Big Ten title with Michigan and Michigan State. Under rules at that time, Purdue would have gotten the bid due to beating MSU head to head and Michigan having been in the Rose Bowl more recently. Mark Herrmann led a talented offensive unit to only the second bowl game in school history, dominating Georgia Tech 41-21 on Christmas Day in the Peach Bowl. 1980

Riding consensus All-American seasons from Herrmann and tight end Dave Young, the Boilermakers (9-3) finished tied for second in the Big Ten at 7-1.

Herrmann won the Chicago Tribune's Silver Football as the Big Ten's Most Valuable Player. He set the career NCAA passing yards record with 9,946.

Herrmann led the Big Ten in passing yards and TD passes. The Carmel graduate would earn his third bowl MVP honor at the Liberty Bowl, guiding Purdue to a 28-25 victory against Missouri. Herrmann threw two touchdown passes to fellow Carmel graduate Bart Burrell and one apiece to Steve Bryant and Young.

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South Awarded STEM Certifications

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Less than one in four Montgomery County voters turned out for a primary election race that only had a handful of contested races.

A total of 5,158 ballots were cast out of 21,819 registered voters. As usual, Republicans dominated the numbers with 4,713

ballots compared to 445 for the Democrats.

The county council incumbents were all returned to office. David Hunt (27 percent) and Gary Booth (26.5 percent) are joined by Mike Warren (31 percent). David McCartney's bid for council fell short with 15 percent.

Newcomer Jake Bohlander won the county commissioner seat that was held by longtime Commissioner John Frey. Frey chose not to run for re-election. Tom Cummins (surveyor), Dan Guard (commissioner) and Steve Gressmire (coroner) all won in uncontested races.

In the county contested races, Sondra Dittmer Sixberry edged out incumbent Leah Denbo 54.13 percent to 45.87 percent for clerk.

For the Recorder, Nancy Cox won easily with 73.33 percent of the vote. Her opponent Shari Lovold got 26.67 percent.

Southmont Schools are proud to announce that all three of their elementary schools (Ladoga, New Market, and Walnut Elementary) as well as Southmont Junior High School were awarded the prestigious STEM certification by the Indiana Department of Education as leaders in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

for computer coding, 3-D printing, circuitry, robotics, and more. The focus on STEM has even carried over into Language Arts and all content areas. Led by a group of forward-thinking school principals Alison Karrfalt, Kristin Paris, Jill Pinkerton, and Brooke Busenbark, this work has been a team effort by all elementary and Junior High teachers, counselors, and staff members.

Created in 2015, the STEM Certified Schools program recognizes schools focused on a commitment to teaching STEM disciplines beyond the classroom. STEM Certified Schools exemplify a highly non-traditional approach to education, employing a great deal of inquiry, project-based learning, community engagement, entrepreneurship, student-centered classrooms, integration into humanities and related arts, and out-of-school STEM activities. Each school completed a rigorous application, designed websites with evidence of learning, and created presentations to share with the Indiana Department of Education representatives during a recent site visit. Student leaders had the opportunity to share with state department visitors samples of their learning and why they believed STEM certifications should be awarded.

Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Wendy Myers, shared "We are incredibly proud of the hard work by our principals, teachers, and students. We have witnessed student engagement in STEM learning that has sparked curiosity, community involvement, and amazing new opportunities for our kids. We are also grateful for the partnership we have with the STEM Learning team at EES Innovation. Their staff provided us with expert guidance, an outstanding curriculum, and many behind-the-scenes hours supporting our STEM framework."

Newly appointed Superintendent, Dr. Stephanie Hofer, commented "I am proud to join a district with K-8 STEM certified schools. This award signifies that Southmont Schools are doing a wonderful job of preparing our students for college and career readiness in the area of STEM."

Southmont Schools recently added the Purdue IN Mac Design & Innovation Studios to their facilities. STEM & Computer Science teacher leaders Tyler Davis, Tim Sayler, and Sharon Albertson use their labs and equipment to ensure students have a learning environment

Southmont Schools celebrated with their students across the district during the last hour of the school day. They will hold their STEM certification until they re-apply again with the IN Department of Education in 2029.

Crawfordsville Investment Club Meeting Tuesday

The Crawfordsville Investment Club will meet Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., at the Crawfordsville District Public Library. The program is about stock dividends and earnings. This is based on information from the

Morningstar publication.

The Crawfordsville Investment Club meets for educational purposes only. Visitors are welcome. For more information call (765) 362-2826.

Montgomery County Primary Unofficial Results		
Republican		
President (vote for 1)	Votes	Pct.
Donald J. Trump	3,577	79.19
Nikki R. Haley	940	20.81
U.S. Senator		
Jim Banks	3,594	100
Governor (vote for 1)		
Mike Braun	1813	39.2
Suzanne Crouch	956	20.67
Brad Chambers	807	17.45
Eric Doden	631	13.64
Jamie Reitenour	311	6.72
Curtis Hill	107	107
U.S. Representative 4th District (1)		
Jim Baird	3086	69.87
Charles Bookwalter	990	22.41
John P. Piper	341	7.72
State Senator District 7 (1)		
Brian W. Buchanan	2344	67.11
Joseph Bookwalter	1149	32.89
State Rep. District 13 (1)		
Matthew Commons	96	51.34
Sharon Negele	91	48.66
State Rep. District 28 (1)		
Jeffrey A. Thompson	476	79.07
Joe Batic	126	20.93
State Rep. District 41 (1)		
Mark Genda	48	64.86
Joe Sturm	26	35.14
State Rep. District 44		
Beau Baird	2878	100
Clerk of Circuit Court (1)		
Sondra Dittmer Sixberry	2387	54.13
Leah Craft Denbo	2023	45.87
Recorder (1)		
Nancy Cox	3162	73.33
Shari Lovold	1150	26.67
Coroner		
Steve Gressmore	3921	100
Surveyor		
Tom Cummins	3890	100
Commissioner District 1		
Jake Bohlander	3873	100
Commissioner District 3		
Dan Guard	3910	100
Council At Large (3)		
Mike Warren	3417	30.92
David Hunt	2990	27.05
Gary D. Booth	2933	26.54
David McCartney	1712	15.49
Precinct Committeeman Brown		
Eugene Franklin Waddell	182	100
Precinct Committeeman Clark		
Brad Monts	174	100
Precinct Committeeman Coal Creek (1)		
Darren Forman	113	61.08
Lonnie Jones	72	38.92
Precinct Committeeman Cville 1 (1)		
Jennifer Bentley Pursell	117	70.06
Christina L. Sharp	50	29.94
Precinct Committeeman Cville 2		
Charley German	170	100
Precinct Committeeman Cville 3		
David Pierce	116	100
Precinct Committeeman Cville 4		
Kimberly Kelp	232	100
Precinct Committeeman Cville 7		
Karyn D. Douglas	146	100
Precinct Committeeman Cville 8		
Todd D. Barton	137	100
Precinct Committeeman Cville 9		
Aaron Morgan	54	100
Precinct Committeeman Franklin		
Greg Lough	244	100
Precinct Committeeman Madison		
Wade Bennett	128	100
Precinct Committeeman Ripley		
Greg Rutledge	111	100
Precinct Committeeman Scott		
Michael Tricker	125	100
Precinct Committeeman Sugar Creek		
Gayle Lough	73	100

Precinct Committeeman Union 1		
Robert Campbell	134	100
Precinct Committeeman Union 2		
Dan Guard	109	100
Precinct Committeeman Union 3 (1)		
Jennifer Anandel	149	58.89
John E. Frey	104	41.11
Precinct Committeeman Union 4		
Todd Douglas	124	100
Precinct Committeeman Union 5		
Brian Keim	294	100
Precinct Committeeman Union 6 (1)		
Sondra Dittmer Sixberry	144	47.21
Phil Boots	138	45.25
Larry M. Sharp	12	3.93
Sharon F. Sharp	11	3.61
Precinct Committeeman Union 7		
Jim Fulwider		100
Precinct Committeeman Walnut (1)		
Jerry Chadwick	145	75.13
Penny McCann Washer	48	24.87
Precinct Committeeman Wayne (1)		
Bob Cox	104	56.22
Jim Dittmer	81	43.78
State Convention Delegates (12)		
Todd D. Barton	2833	7.7
Phil Boots	2788	7.57
Jim Fulwider	2651	7.2
Dan Guard	2413	6.55
Darren Forman	2233	6.04
Aaron Morgan	2206	5.99
Karyn D. Douglas	2043	5.55
Leah Craft Denbo	1942	5.28
Steve Loy	1914	5.2
Sondra Dittmer Sixberry	1874	5.09
Brad Monts	1818	4.94
John E. Frey	1687	4.58
Jim Dittmer	1684	4.57
Jennifer Anandel	1572	4.27
Steven D. McLaughlin	1528	4.15
Jennifer Bentley Pursell	1406	3.82
Cecily A. Dresser	988	2.68
Lora J. Whiles	728	1.98
Christina L. Sharp	695	1.89
Penny McCann Washer	616	1.67
Sharon F. Sharp	603	1.64
Larry M. Sharp	602	1.64
Democrat		
President		
Joseph R. Biden	411	100
U.S. Senator (vote for 1)		
Valerie McCray	257	63.46
March Carmichael	148	36.54
Governor		
Jennifer McCormick	417	100
U.S. Representative 4th District (1)		
Derrick Holder	259	64.75
Rimpi K. Girn	141	35.25
State Senator District 7		
No Candidate Filed		
State Rep. District 13		
Edward Moyer Jr.	11	100
State Rep. District 28		
Karen Marie Whitney	57	100
State Rep. District 41		
Dan Sikes	4	100
State Rep. District 44		
No Candidate Filed		
Clerk of Circuit Court		
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