

TODAY'S VERSE

Acts 2:38 Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Meet Mack



Mack is a super handsome 3 year old male Catahoula leopard dog available for adoption at The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL). Mack has won the prestigious award of ULTIMATE FETCH MASTER! Mack LOVES playing fetch, going out for walks, and will gladly return just about anything thrown. Mack is selective with dogs and people. A meet and greet is required. Mack is looking for his best friend! Could that be you? Mack is available for adoption, to foster, or just simply going out for walks. AWL is open Monday-Friday from 12:15p-5p and Saturday's from 9:30a-3p. Come say hi!!

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Ask Rusty - Medicare Increase Results in Loss of Social Security Benefits



ASK Rusty
Social Security Advisor

Social Security Matters

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Dear Rusty:

My wife and I have taken a Social Security "Cut" -- no 3.2% raise for us, due to something called "IRMAA," based on our income. We actually took, together, a \$400 a month cut. As far as I can tell from what they told me, we are means tested and were too successful, so our Medicare premiums were much higher, which resulted in our reduced Social Security for 2024. Have you sorted this out? And, if so, can I appeal this disgusting situation?
Signed: Baffled Senior

Dear Baffled: We're very familiar with the "Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount" -- not so affectionately called "IRMAA." IRMAA catches many Social Security beneficiaries by surprise, not only higher earners such as you, but also those who make large withdrawals from a tax-deferred account, who sell property, or who have any other kind of sudden large bump in their taxable income. Essentially, if your income is over certain thresholds for your IRS

filing status, you pay a higher "IRMAA" premium for your Medicare Part B (coverage for outpatient services) and your Part D (prescription drug coverage). And since your Medicare premium is automatically deducted from your Social Security payment, your net monthly Social Security payment goes down.

Any COLA added to your Social Security benefit is often consumed by an IRMAA increase to your Medicare premiums. And, to further complicate matters, your Medicare premium for the current year is determined by your income from two years prior, which means your 2024 Medicare premiums were determined by your 2022 income.

The IRMAA thresholds are different depending on your income tax filing status, but assuming you file your taxes as "married/jointly," your combined 2022 income had to be more than

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World Elder Abuse Awareness Day June 15



EUGENE HSU, MD, MBA

GUEST COLUMNIST

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, observed on June 15, signifies our collective struggle against the mistreatment of older adults. Elder abuse is a community and

societal issue that reminds us to promote respect and dignity for older adults.

Elder abuse refers to intentional or neglectful acts by a caregiver or a trusted individual that cause harm to an older adult. It can come in the form of physical, emotional, neglect, and financial mistreatment -- the latter being the most prevalent and easily executed through scams or fraud targeted at older adults. A

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Keep Up With Grandkids

(NAPSI)—One of the greatest joys—but potentially biggest challenges—for many grandparents is time spent with the grandkids. Whether yours are toddlers or teens, keeping them entertained requires a level of fitness that might include everything from lifting a child to chasing them at the playground to competing in a round of golf. For grandparents seeking an enriching and active experience with their grandkids, it's important to engage in everyday fitness routines that can help:

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Hudson Family Steps up for Community



Photo courtesy Montgomery County Sheriff's Office

From left, Sheriff Needham, Curt Hudson, Matt McCarty

Sometimes, people are just nice.

Curt and Cindy Hudson recently did something for the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office that touched a lot of hearts.

"We wanted to do something that we felt like would benefit the community and something that could save a life," Curt said.

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Aubrey: one fabulous physician



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

I've been researching local doctors for decades, and I'd heard of this one, but really didn't "know" him well. Do now and thought I'd share this wonderful fellow with you!

Born next door in Boone County, (Nov 18, 1874) he was the son of Henry and Amanda (Cunningham) Loop. Sick for some time, Henry passed June 5, 1916, with his son often going over from Economy where he lived to check on him. Sadly, (Dr) Aubrey Leighton Loop also lost his mother, bringing her to his home a couple of months after losing Henry. She died almost exactly six months thereafter. She was buried in New Ross Cemetery near where she was raised, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Black) Cunningham. Believe Aubrey had but one sister, Daisy who spent most of her life in the state insane asylum. Sadly, she passed in February 1918 there.

Aubrey was very, very smart and graduated at age 25 from

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Cigarette smoke exposure is a risk factor for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).

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

"When you teach your son, you teach your son's son."
Talmud

TODAY'S JOKE

Where do birds stay on summer vacation?
Someplace cheep!

THREE THINGS You Should Know

- 1 Attorney General Todd Rokita has sued an Indianapolis man and associated businesses involved in schemes to defraud real estate investors -- alleging that Herbert Whalen continued to engage in the management of property for investors despite lacking a real estate broker license, as required by law, and hiding prior convictions. Hoosiers are encouraged to contact the Office of the Indiana Attorney General about any suspected scams or scam attempts. Consumers can file a complaint by visiting indianaconsumer.com or calling 1-800-382-5516.
- 2 High school athletes and teams representing schools from across the state scheduled to participate at 2024 Indiana State High School Clay Target League State Tournaments June 22-23 at the Indiana Gun Club in Fortville. A total of 383 athletes from 24 high school teams are taking part.
- 3 June 10 marks the 100th birthday of the American Heart Association, the nation's oldest and largest voluntary organization dedicated to fighting heart disease and stroke. Since the Association was founded in 1924, deaths in the United States from cardiovascular disease have been cut in half.

MONTGOMERY MINUTE

For the 132nd time since taking office, Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton will be hosting his monthly Community Forum. June's edition is scheduled for Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the Mayor's Office, 300 E. Pike St. As always, the monthly community forum is open to the public to come ask questions, discuss concerns and learn more about anything regarding the city.



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

Wabash Netter Named Ashe Scholar



Borden is the ninth Wabash student-athlete to be named an Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar since 2018.

Tennis team captain and recent Wabash College graduate Cole Borden '24 was named a 2024 Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar by *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* magazine.



Cole Borden

Borden, a computer science major from Peru, Ind. was a first-team selection in tennis, making him the ninth Wabash student-athlete to be named an Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar since 2018.

A four-year letterwinner and two-year team captain for the Wabash tennis team, Borden posted a career record of 38-38 in singles and 31-43 in doubles. A first-team all-North Coast Athletic Conference honoree in doubles in 2020, he also earned scholar-athlete accolades from the NCAC and Intercollegiate Tennis Association. He was named Academic All-District by the College Sports Communicators in 2023 and 2024.

"Cole has been a tremendous asset for our program since arriving on campus," said Daniel Bickett, head tennis coach. "His leadership has been instrumental as our team has improved our win total each year since he arrived. Cole is a wonderful example to our younger players about how best to commit to your sport, your studies, and your community."

Borden served as president of Champions Together with the Indiana Special Olympics,

helping to raise \$6,000 for the organization, and was a past president of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He served as a Senior Innovations Consultant with the Wabash Center for Innovation, Business, and Entrepreneurship, and interned with Johnson Grossnickle and Associates and with Techpoint.

Majoring in computer science, he graduated magna cum laude and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. A multiple Dean's List honoree, Borden studied abroad in Singapore during the Fall 2022 semester. He received membership in the National Collegiate Chinese Honor Society and has a technical certification in Python computer programming language.

Since 1992, Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars have demonstrated stellar athletic ability and academic performance (3.5 cumulative GPA or higher), in addition to a commitment to community service and student leadership. The award is inspired by tennis legend Arthur Ashe Jr.'s dedication to education as well as his love for the game of tennis.

Franciscan Hosting Free Chemo Webinar

Franciscan Health is hosting a free, live webinar aimed at increasing understanding of the mental side effects of chemotherapy treatment for cancer patients while teaching strategies for managing them.

The Coping with Chemo Brain webinar will take place at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26.

Franciscan Health speech language pathologist Darcy Hughes and occupational therapist Bridget Kress will share signs and symptoms to watch for while teaching techniques for coping with changes to memory, concentration and focus during and after

chemotherapy.

Cancer patients receiving chemotherapy or who have in the past and their caregivers and family members are encouraged to attend, as are healthcare professionals who treat chemotherapy patients.

The one-hour webinar is free and open to the public, but registration is required.

Registration is available on the Franciscan Health website. Those who register but are unable to attend the live webinar will be emailed a link at a later date to view a recording at their convenience.

Campus News

The University of Southern Indiana recently announced the 2024 Spring Semester and four Montgomery County students earned the distinguished honor.

They are: Karlie A. Pfledderer, Alexis C. Rusk, Danna E. Schu and Ella E. Watson.

Undergraduate students must achieve a 3.5 or better semester GPA (on a 4.0 system) to be named to the list. Students earning no incomplete (IN) or

missing (Z) grades for the term and earning letter grades of computable point value (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory and Pass/No Pass graded courses do not apply) in 12 or more semester hours, with a semester GPA between 3.5 and 4.0, are named to the list.

If your student received some good recognition on campus, please let us know. Email news@thepaper24-7.com

FOR THE RECORD

CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE
 Change of Meeting Date(s)
 Board of Zoning Appeals

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Crawfordsville will hold a special meeting in the Common Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The Board of Zoning Appeals will not meet as scheduled on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 due to the Juneteenth holiday.

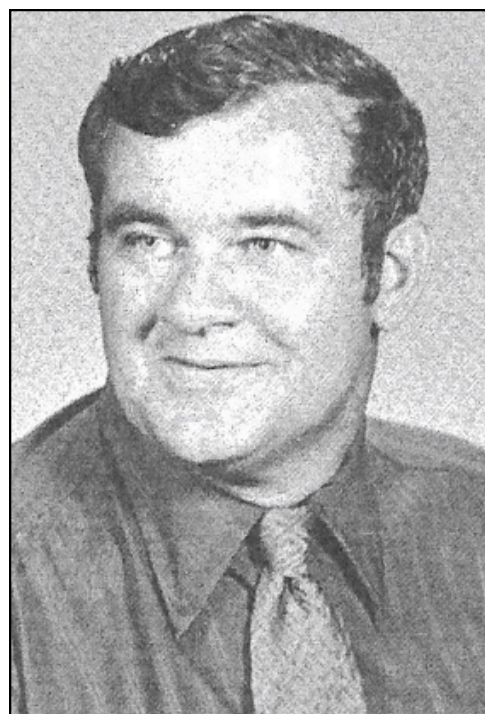
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Notice Date: May 31, 2024

If you have any questions, please call Mayor Barton's office at 765-364-5160. Also, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if anyone wishes to attend, hear or speak at the public meeting and needs reasonable accommodation, please contact the Crawfordsville Department of Planning & Building Services so accommodations can be made. The Department may be contacted at 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933, Fax No. 765-364-1140, Telephone No. 765-364-5152. Brandy Allen, City of Crawfordsville ADA Coordinator; ballen@crawfordsville-in.gov.

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Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize This Person?

HINT:
He was a long-time teacher and football coach at Southmont.

Answer on Page A5



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\$206,000 to cause IRMAA to apply in 2024. With income between \$206,000 and \$258,000, each of your Part B premiums would be \$244.60 (instead of the standard \$174.70), and your Part D premium (if you have Part D) would incur another \$12.90 on top of your regular Part D premium amount. IRMAA premiums further increase on a sliding scale, and those with income of \$750,000 or more would pay a maximum Medicare Part B premium of \$584/month and would incur another \$81 per month added to their normal Part D premium. Thus, as you have noted, Medicare premiums are, indeed, “means-tested.”

Can you appeal “this disgusting situation?” Well, you can always appeal any Social Security determination, but appealing IRMAA will only be successful if you can prove that the income they used to determine your 2024 Medicare premium was incorrect, or if you can convince them to use a more recent year with a lower income to calculate your Medicare premium. If you believe you can be successful, you should call Social Security (1.800.772.1213) to formally appeal the IRMAA premium, or you can submit form SSA-44 to appeal based on a “life-changing event.”

I know that understanding how IRMAA works won’t soften your dismay, but I can only explain the rules and how they work. Your 3.2% COLA increase for 2024 was used to offset some of the IRMAA Medicare premium increase caused by your higher income, and it is IRMAA which caused your net Social Security payment to go down. FYI, your Medicare premiums are recalculated each year, so if your income goes down to below the IRMAA threshold for your tax filing status, then your Medicare premium will revert to the standard amount for each year.

I hope this clarifies why your Social Security payments went down and why you didn’t see your COLA increase, but the AMAC Foundation is always available to answer any questions you may have about Social Security.

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significant step towards preventing this abuse is equipping older adults and their caregivers with knowledge and resources to help prevent abuse.

The National Council on Aging estimates that approximately 5 million older adults are abused every year in the United States yet only one in 14 cases is reported. Research findings estimate that older victims of financial fraud lose roughly \$30 billion a year.

For older adults, defending against such abuse begins with awareness. Identifying potential frauds and cons such as lottery scams, identity theft, or email phishing schemes is crucial. Older people should be wary of unsolicited calls and emails, particularly those requesting personal information, money transfers, or unusual payment methods such as gift cards and any of these requests that are communicated with extreme urgency.

The use of technology can also help people safeguard their financial assets. Enabling bank alerts for large transactions, using apps with real-time tracking of account activity, and setting up direct deposits for checks

can minimize potential abuse. Equally pivotal is safeguarding essential documents and updating estate planning documents regularly.

Staying connected with family, friends, and community can deter potential abusers. However, social isolation became a growing issue for many older adults, especially during the pandemic. It’s crucial for all people across our lifespan to leverage technology to maintain relationships and stay active within our communities, reducing the risk of exploitation significantly.

Further, older adults must also feel informed and supported to report any instance of potential abuse. Fear or embarrassment can often deter individuals from reporting abuse. Support from community, family, and authorities is key to reassuring older adults that they’re not alone and that reporting is indeed a step towards prevention.

To report elder abuse, older adults or individuals concerned about them can reach out to the following resources:

·Adult Protective Services (APS): APS

agencies serve as the primary agency responsible for receiving and investigating reports of elder abuse.

·Local Law Enforcement: In situations where an older adult is in immediate danger, contacting local law enforcement is vital.

·National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA): This is a resource for information on elder abuse prevention.

·ElderCare Locator: Connects you to services for older adults and their families: 1-800-677-1116.

·Long-Term Care Ombudsman: These are advocates for residents of nursing homes, board, and care homes, assisted living facilities, etc.

With a collaborative strategy in place, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield works in tandem with healthcare providers to detect early signs of elder abuse. We have taken great strides to implement caregiver education programs, because in many cases, the caregivers are the first line of defense in recognizing indicators of abuse. We are not just advocating prevention, but actively invested in providing solutions to

help prevent elder abuse.

Our health plans are designed to support older adults by addressing the social drivers that can impact health, including social isolation - a significant risk factor for elder abuse. Our community members benefit from the resources and support services beyond traditional healthcare services that our plans can provide, including, for example, access to nutritious meals, safe and stable housing, and transportation. We continue to partner with organizations, nonprofits, and government agencies, aiming to create a safer, more supportive society where older adults are valued and included, and their rights are protected.

Older adults are valuable members of our society, and it is important we help ensure their safety, security, and wellness. As we observe World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, let us commit not only to raise awareness but also to actively work towards prevention strategies.

Eugene Hsu, MD, MBA, is Senior Medicare Clinical Officer for Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield

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So the couple made a generous donation toward the purchase of ArixMed choking rescue devices for deputies to carry on patrol.

“While we hope they are never needed, they will be available to the deputies in the event they need to respond to a choking child or adult,” the Sheriff’s Office said in a statement.

The Hudsons are lifelong residents of

Montgomery County, farming for 50 years.

Curt learned of these devices from a television program and did some research. He then reached out to Sheriff Needham with the generous offer. “The Hudsons are proud community members who have donated to various organizations in the past to make Montgomery County a better place,” the statement said.

Crawfordsville Middle School shared the honor rolls for the fourth quarter of the school year.

8th Grade High Honor Roll

Caroline Bowling, Taylor Bray, Averie Davies, Aiden French, Isabel Gerdes, Baela Hensley, Mabel Hoar, Dario Huesca, Graeme Mason, Sami Maurer, Carter McDorman, Brayleigh McMurry, Dominic Pond, Sebastian Rice, Ryan Rohr, Gabriella Saidian, Abigail Sheets and Keira Toomey

8th Grade Honor Roll

Sevren Anderson, Jose Avila Zapien, Elizabeth Barrera

Chinchilla, Kent Calvert, Alan Campos-Oritz, Jacey Crane, Charity Edwards, Gabriel Elizondo, Elizabeth Ellingwood, Silas Hartnett, Jazmine Hernandez-Zavaleta, Eleanor Hesler, Magnolia Joyner, Kristian Kelso, Rinoa Kuchler, Melainah Kunkel, Mariah Luera, Johanna Luna Lopez, Juliana Luna, Namet Macegoza, Kristine Bailey McMahan, Cameron Morgan, Ziah Morgan, Haili Omundson, Ella Patton, Owen Pierce, Alexis Ratcliff, Ariaiah Richards, Travis Roach, Alea Seward, Johnovan Smith, Marissa Stemick, Jack

Sweet, Olivia Todd, Jarron Torres, Noe Torres, Tori Truax, Trenton Tucker, Lauren Warui, Emma Whiles-Gerold and Abby White.

7th Grade High Honor Roll

Olivia Abney, Madilyn Biddle, Anna Boyd, Scarlett Cawthon, Joel Conde Pascual, Alexandra Cox, Claire Dennison, Aubrey Finney, Khloe Harding, Arabella Himes, Shaeleigh Hreskowsky, Owen Huesca, Joseph Graye Jeffries, Kenley Lain, Lanie Light, Madison McGaughey, Sarah Melevage, Keyra Munoz, Elizabeth Nunan, Sadie Quinn Olofson, Ellie Perry, Sophia Pond, Shakira Rodriguez, Adalise Simmons, Emily Southern,

Teagan Spencer, Laken Suitors, Conley Taylor, Katelyn Teeple, Levi Tomamichel, Alexa Torres and Nathan Wilhoite.

7th Grade Honor Roll

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To learn more about details of the position and how to apply, please visit the College’s hiring website at www.wabash.edu/employment. Review of application materials will begin on July 1, 2024 and continue until the position is filled. The target start date is August 1, 2024.

Wabash College, a liberal arts college for men, seeks faculty and staff who are committed to providing quality engagement with students, high levels of academic challenge and support, and meaningful experiences that prepare students for life and leadership among diverse populations around the globe. Wabash is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes applications from persons of all backgrounds.

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the Medical College of Indiana (University of Indianapolis) and immediately passed his medical boards, receiving his state license. On June 17, 1901, he married Malinda Burroughs Young who grew-up in Shannondale, born there 4 Sept 1877 daughter of George Thomas and Katherine (Burroughs) Young.

They soon went to Economy where they were both well-loved and appreciated. She was active in the Methodist Church and in anything he was involved in. Foreign Missionary Conventions, aiding with the children's programs were her forte. Often, she gave the program in her church women's group or the Home Economics group she helped begin. They also entertained and were entertained.

It was important to him to keep up with all the advancements in doctoring and he was often found to attend a state conference or take a course. For sure, he was quite active in the Wayne County Medical Society where they lived for several years. He served as its president and was often found giving a presentation (Locomotor Ataxia where it is hard for a person to control their own body movements was for example). Also, he was fairly active in politics, often on the Republic Advisory board, but oddly, he later served a couple of times in Montgomery as Democratic Coroner. Actually, ya' never knew what ya' might find this man doing, even judging the Better Baby Contest at Richmond in August 1916. Raising persimmons was what he loved to do. In 1916, the Richmond Palladium said it was the best tree of its kind in Wayne County – "the fruit is not large but is delicious eating!" (Palladium 17 Nov 1916 p 10).

He didn't seem to have a lot of great fun but he and Lynn (as his wife was called) in July 1914 toured some of the eastern states and even went on up to Canada. He bragged about the trip seeing Cincinnati, Richmond, Washington, Atlantic City, Philadelphia, Baltimore, New Orleans, Buffalo and Cleveland plus while in Atlantic City he attended the National Medical Meeting. Active in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows he headed the large and impressive 56th Anniversary of their lodge in April 1917. Either Aubrey our subject or his son, Aubrey played the violin in July 1917, would guess that was Aubrey, Jr., though!

When war came about, Aubrey was appointed Deputy Health Officer (yearly salary of \$12.50) and was head of the standing committee on

food conservation! Lynn was very active in the Red Cross group and as chairman of the Surgical Dressing Department in the small town of Economy 8,186 pieces were made to be used in the war using 1,850 yards of gauze. Wow!

This wasn't enough for them, however and they decided he should join-up. That he did, leaving Economy on the 4th of July in 1918 for Camp Gordon in Georgia. He remained there throughout the war and Lynn and their two children, Aubrey, Jr., and Margaret visited him but remained in Economy where the children attended school. The next year they came to Montgomery County living briefly in Waveland and the rest of their lives in Crawfordsville at 500 South Grant Avenue which is now Ball Theater.

While here, he was active in the Masons, Elks and the Legion. He was involved in some interesting cases as coroner here. Donald Griggs, just 16, a Ladoga HS student was killed in September 1933 as he was riding a bicycle home on the Ladoga-Roachdale road. He had been to see friends and when a car driven by Wayne Miller came around a corner, Griggs was blinded by lights and was hit and killed. Another odd auto accident occurred the next year when Roy Dockins who had just moved the day before with his wife from Roachdale to Crawfordsville was hit and killed by a Big Four freight train. An earlier case involving another young person (Lloyd Morrison, 18) who had been swimming shortly after eating a heavy meal in Wayne County. Aubrey worked on him for a good half hour then called for a new machine the Richmond police department had just gotten, a lungmotor. They rushed it to him but although the machine worked perfectly, it was too late. Guess there are sad times and good times as a doctor.

In Crawfordsville, they were close to daughter Margaret who had married Forrest Howell, father of Dick Howell, (Howell printing) who some of you may have known. Aubrey Young Loop lived in Bloomington where he was employed at RCA for many years. Doc Loop went downtown on the 5th day of 1942 and had an attack. He was returned home after Dr. Ball got him stabilized but had a second attack, passing in a few minutes at his home. He left many friends, his beloved wife, Lynn, Margaret and Aubrey and three grandchildren and he left Crawfordsville without one of its fabulous physicians!

-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@sbglobal.net.

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- maintain muscle mass,
- preserve cardiovascular health,
- fortify flexibility, and
- bolster balance.

Functional fitness training can help with these goals.

What is Functional Fitness?

"Functional fitness uses multiple muscle groups and movements to help train muscles, joints, limbs, and nerves to all work better together for everyday tasks, like lifting groceries from the car, or outmaneuvering the grandkids," says Jaynie Bjornaraa PhD, MPH, PT, who is vice president of rehabilitation services and fitness solutions at American Specialty Health Fitness.

Examples of functional fitness exercises include lunges, squats, and planks. "Lunges help improve balance and make the legs stronger," says Dr. Bjornaraa. "Squats help strengthen the muscles used in sitting, standing, or lifting heavy objects safely. Core training, like planks, helps strengthen the lower back, hips, and abdominal muscles. A strong core provides a stable base when lifting, standing, or performing the chores of everyday life." There are many ways to incorporate functional fitness into an everyday fitness routine. For example, online workout classes such as Pilates, yoga, or strength training can provide easy access to beginner, intermediate, or

advanced exercise routines.

Gyms offer in-person classes plus access to most any kind of fitness equipment you may need to practice functional fitness, from mats and free weights to fitness balls and exercise bands. If cost is a factor in joining a gym or fitness classes, programs such as the Silver&Fit® Healthy Aging and Exercise Program, which is available through certain Medicare Advantage plans, offer no-cost or subsidized low-cost access to thousands of standard name-brand gyms and YMCAs, in addition to premium boutique studios around the country. These programs may also include online access to fitness video classes such as dance,

cardio, tai chi, Pilates, strength training, yoga, and others that teach proper form and technique. Nearly five million participants use the Silver&Fit program to help them stay fit.

"Functional fitness offers terrific health benefits for everyone, no matter your age or fitness level," added Dr. Bjornaraa. "I encourage my friends, family, and clients to engage in some kind of functional fitness exercise every day to maximize the benefits." If you're ready to try some functional fitness exercises but aren't sure where to begin, you may care to check out a functional fitness exercise video called "3 Functional Exercises Using Only Body Weight."

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Ella Seward, Nathan Tucker, Adriana Ventura Padilla, Brooklyn Wilkins and Zoey Zacarias.

6th Grade Honor Roll

Mateo Azar, Alexavier Blunt, Olivia Calvert, Angelique Cervantes Chacon, Mason Compton, Brady Cord, Marley Dewey, Lana Doss, Samiyah Farris-Steen, Romeo Fernandez, Treyton Ford, Aubrey Geneau, Samiyyah Hamilton, Logan Harwood, Kendall Heeke, Yaretzy Hernandez, William Hershberger,

Josephine Hesler, Journey Hinchman, Brycen Jordan, Vedanti Kiran, Harper Kohl, Anniston Miles, Gabriel Million, Audrey Morris, Audrey Norman, Gabriella Norman, Burke Ratcliff, Elijah Robinson-Teague, Amaya Rodriguez, Nelly Rodriguez, Austin Rogers, Bentley Sanders, Anthony Simmons, Cayden Solis-Lowe, Ashley Uzcategui Perez, Zachary Warren, Madyson Wear, Callan White and Alexander Wilkinson.

South Junior High School Honor Roll

Semester 2

Grade 6 S2 High Honor Roll:

Ivy Arthur, Calista Hale, Kailyn Howard, Hallie Rhoads, Kobyn Stadler, Jordanna Troutman, Kenzie Turner

Grade 6 S2 Regular

Honor Roll: Andrea Allen, Ailise Bradshaw, Abigail Brown, Hudson Bruton, Braylyn Burkholder, Brolin Burris, Jayden Carson, Maddox Clark, Harper Cornelius, Jack Cripe, Lillia Dawson, Cole Edwards, Elijah Endicott, Lea Gregg, Carter Harshbarger, Braycen High, Lorelei Hoskins, Jane Jones, Easton Kelsey, Carter Kessler, Amarah Kiger, Allison Largent, Emery Light, Keegan Light, Luke Light, Tracy Long, Charles Maddock, Hadley McArthur, Juliet Miller, Emily Needham, Ryder Newkirk, Harmony Norton, Marilyn Prado, Isabella Roberts, Taylor Sering, Trinity Smith, Abigail Thomas, Ayden Thomas, Sophia Trammell-Smith, Carter White, Gunnar Williams.

Grade 7 S2 High Honor

Roll: Elijah Badillo, Hayleigh Boots, Jamie Buckler, Cassidy Dittmer, Hailey Douglas, Callaway Garlock, Owen Grimes, Benjamin Gurule, Eli Hannum, Alexis Harden, Emily Mohan, Lydia Moody, Emma Plemons, Lanie

Ramsey, Grant Reeves, James Stumph, Jaron Swick, Amelia Woods.

Grade 7 S2 Regular

Honor Roll: Cheyenne Bachmann, Andrew Badertscher, Emma Benge, Kohen Bonebrake, Job Bradley, Reese Bullock, Kasen Bushong, Bentley Chapman, Hunter Chieppo, Gabriele Church, Layla Grimes, Derek Hale, Kirra Hopkins, Easton Hutson, Emery James, Chloe Jones, Henry Keller, Ella Kelly, Colton Kendricks, Violet Kline, Kai Lewin, Silas Lewis, Gavin Mason, Paxton Moore, Olivia Myers, Brayden Parker, Andrew Patterson, Blaine Peacock, Kemberlee Redman, Marley Rhoads, Gabriel Schindler, Macie Shaw, Emily Simpson, Emory Siple, Jordan Snarud, Emilyn Steiner, Emma Stephens, Skyler Strickland, Danika Ward

Grade 8 S2 High Honor

Roll: Annie Alesi, Jasmine Ashmet, Ava Bradshaw, Daxton Cottrell, Brayden Fullenwider, Hayden Harkrider, Madison Hester, Emberlynn Hoskins-Sprague, Ethan Hutchison, Rebekah Johnson, Margaret Klein, McKiah Lairson, Ella Largent, Sophia Lockard, Claire McCutchan, Ziva Moody, Lillie Otenburg, Camryn Priebe, Astrid Rabeyrin, Kaelynn

Sanburn, Damien Severe, Lane Slavens, Espen Sutton, Liam Trautwein, Elizabeth Veach, Ava Wells.

Grade 8 S2 Regular

Honor Roll: Ava Arthur, Ella Barry, Jackson Brown, Paxton Burris, Kooper Charles, Brita Cleek, Hayden Cornelius, Bethany Cregger, Ezekiel Endicott, Creed Gardner, Maggie Gilliland, Emma Gleason, Lakynn Hart, Quentin Hartman, Judah Hoenschell, Katarina Jennings, Bryor Johnson, Roslyn Keck, Mackenzie Lacy, David Long, Caden Miller, Arlon Musick, Carter Pattengale, Kaycee Perez, Keelyn Pruitt, Amy Roeder, Molly Slavens, Hunter Thompson, Allison Turner, Kaylee Turner, Kaylee Wallace.

Crawfordsville Investment Club to Meet 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. his is a brief study of the earnings history of a few conservative ETFs, specifically SCHD, VYM and VTV. 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.

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How Can College Hall Continue to Bypass Drew Brees?



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

The best player in New Orleans Saints history was a unanimous selection for the team's Hall of Fame on May 30.

Drew Brees' 15 seasons in New Orleans not only earned the city a Super Bowl championship but established the quarterback's credentials to become a first-ballot Pro Football Hall of Fame selection when he becomes eligible in 2026.

Brees, who is the lone player honored by the Saints in 2024, was a two-time NFL Offensive Player of the Year and 13-time Pro Bowl quarterback who retired with the second-most passing yards (80,358) and passing touchdowns (571) in NFL history.

Those numbers are on top of what Brees accomplished at Purdue. He still holds the Big Ten record for career passing yards (11,792) and graduated with two NCAA records, 13 Big Ten marks and 19 Purdue standards. Yet with those numbers I just listed, there's one Hall of Fame whose doors are closed to Brees.

This week's College Football Hall of Fame ballot once again does not have Brees, a black mark on this so-called organization which has been a vagabond shrine since being founded in 1951 by the National Football Foundation. An investigation by the New Jersey attorney general into the finances of the Hall of Fame's foundation in the late 1960s resulted in cancellation of plans to build a permanent shrine at Rutgers. Next stop, New York City. That is until that state's attorney general launched his own investigation.

Kings Mills, Ohio – home of Kings Island amusement

park – was the next destination in 1978 with the hope that visitors to the park would also want to visit the hall of fame. When that wish failed to work out by 1992, South Bend won the bid to become the permanent home. Well, permanent lasting until it closed in September 2012.

The Hall of Fame's current home in Atlanta cost \$68.5 million when it opened on Aug. 23, 2014.

The College Football Hall of Fame's first requirement for enshrinement is a player earning first-team All-American recognition by an organization recognized by the NCAA and utilized to comprise consensus All-America honors.

Brees' lone first-team All-America honor came from Gannett News Service in 2000, which does not fall into either of the Hall of Fame's criteria. Brees, however, did win the Maxwell Award that is presented annually to the best all-around college football player.

Brees easily fulfills the second and third Hall of Fame requirements.

- He played his final game at Purdue during the 2000 season; the Hall of Fame has a 10-year waiting period. If they played pro football, an athlete must be retired to be eligible.
- A player's post-football record as a citizen also is weighed. "He must have proven himself worthy as a citizen, carrying the ideals of football forward into his relations with his community and fellow man. Consideration may also be given for academic honors and whether or not the candidate earned a college degree."

Just ask the people of New Orleans what Brees did for their proud city in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Additionally, the Brees Dream Foundation has contributed more than \$500 million to charitable causes globally. Its mission statement is to improve the quality of life for cancer patients and provide care, education and opportunities for children and families in need.

Brees was named the 2000 Academic All-American Player of the Year and ironically, a recipient of the National Football Foundation's post-graduate scholarship.

The lone exception to the first-team All-America rule to date is another well known quarterback. Fran Tarkenton led the nation in passing in 1960 at Georgia but all that got the future 18-year NFL star was second-team All-America honors. SEC Player of the Year Jake Gibbs of Mississippi swept first-team honors that season. Gibbs would go on to be a catcher with the New York Yankees.

Granted an exception by the National Football Foundation, Tarkenton was elected in 1987.

Since the Joe Tiller National Football Foundation Chapter received its charter in 2004, the group has helped five Purdue players and one coach earn induction: quarterback Mike Phipps (2006), quarterback Mark Herrmann (2010), running back Otis Armstrong (2012), coach William "Lone Star" Dietz (2013), defensive tackle Dave Butz (2014) and defensive back Rod Woodson (2016).

Record-setting wide receiver Taylor Stubblefield once again

is on the Hall of Fame ballot. The consensus 2004 first-team All-American set the NCAA record for career receptions (316) and led the Big Ten in receptions three consecutive seasons (2002-04).

Stubblefield and former Lafayette Jeff/Purdue quarterback Doug Downing will be inducted into the Indiana Football Hall of Fame on Sunday during the Tiller Chapter NFF Honors Brunch at the Purdue Memorial Union. Brees also was elected but will be honored at a later date.

Purdue All-American wide receiver Larry Burton fell off the 2025 ballot, having exceeded the requirement that a player must have played their final game within the past 50 years. Burton's hopes now fall to the Football Bowl Subdivision and Divisional Veterans Committees.

Eligible Purdue consensus All-Americans yet to make an appearance on the College Football Hall of Fame ballot are tight end Dave Young, who played his final game in 1980; punter/kicker Travis Dorsch (2001) and defensive end Ryan Kerrigan (2010).

Young, who died at age 64 in 2023, was the first tight end in college football history to lead the nation in receptions (6.1 per game) in 1980. Dorsch won the 2001 Ray Guy Award as the nation's best punter. Kerrigan set the Big Ten record and matched the national standard with 14 fumbles forced to go with 33.5 sacks and 57 tackles for loss.

Wide receivers Rondale Moore and David Bell will not be eligible until 2030 and 2031, respectively unless both are still playing in the NFL.

Purdue consensus All-Americans before 1974 who are not in the Hall of Fame are running back Ralph "Pest" Welch (final game in 1929), tackle Elmer Sleight (1929), end Paul Moss (1932), running back Duane Purvis (1934), end Dave Rankin (1940), end Bernie Flowers (1952), middle guard Chuck Kyle (1968) and Burton.

Unfortunately for Purdue's winningest football coach Joe Tiller, his career mark of 126-92-1 (.577 winning percentage) falls just shy of the 60 percent standard set by the College Football Hall of Fame. Going 25-25 over his final four seasons at Purdue after posting a 62-37 mark over his first eight years dropped Tiller's winning percentage below 60.

The 2025 Hall of Fame ballot also includes Purdue offensive coordinator Graham Harrell for his accomplishments at Texas Tech and former Indiana University standouts Antwaan Randle El and Vaughn Dunbar.

The electorate consists of more than 12,000 NFF members and surviving Hall of Famers. Retired coaches Nick Saban and Urban Meyer seem a certainty for election.

-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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