

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
grey Boy**



Grey Boy is a gorgeous 10 month old male Russian Blue available for adoption at The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL) since 5/9/24 (owner surrender). Grey Boy has won the prestigious awards of MOST PLAYFUL & SUPER SNUGGLER! Grey Boy has a superstar personality! Grey Boy is playful, friendly, and will gladly keep your lap nice and warm! Come say hi and ask staff to meet Grey Boy!

The Paper OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Montgomery County's oldest locally owned independent newspaper

50¢

CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA

WWW.THEPAPER24-7.COM

BTN

By The Numbers, a look at what's in the news . . . by the numbers. These are just numbers, not suggestions that they mean more or less than what they are. We do not suggest that one number is connected to another. These are simply facts with no extraneous details, bias or slanted reporting. To borrow (and perhaps mangle a bit) a quote from legendary fictional detective Joe Friday, it's just the numbers, ma'am!

Father's Day By The Numbers

6-16-24

That's the day we set aside to celebrate dear old Dad! When did Father's Day begin, you ask? Well, there are several things it can be traced to, but in the U.S. it got its start in 1910 out in the state of Washington. However, it took another 14 years until President Calvin Coolidge prodded the states to adopt the celebration. Some did, some didn't. And then, it was not until Richard Nixon's time in the oval office that the day became a national holiday. That year was 1972 – and Dad's everywhere are glad Tricky Dick got it done before he skedaddled out of the White House.



72,000,000

On average, that's how many Father's Day cards are sent each year.

3rd

The third Sunday in June is the day we celebrate Dads. So don't worry about remembering the date. It changes.



\$22,400,000,000

Yup, that's Billion with a capital B. That's how much money is being projected to be spent on gifts for Dad this year. Who knew an ugly tie could cost that much! (By the way, that's projected to be down from last year's \$22.9 billion!)

25-34 That's the average age of the biggest

spenders for Dad. Good for this cross section of Millennials and Gen Z!



\$196

Speaking of spending, that's the average amount each consumer is spending on Dad this year. And even though the overall numbers are down a bit, this is a fair amount higher than the \$174 that was spent last year!

No. 1 That's the spot all Dad's (and all Mom's) occupy in our hearts!



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Make sure your shoes have good arch support and fit correctly to help prevent foot, ankle, knee, hip and back problems.

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



THREE THINGS

You Should Know

1 Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is challenging a U.S. Department of Health and Human Services rule as part of a new lawsuit that seeks to force medical providers to perform surgeries and administer hormones to both children and adults for the purpose of gender transition. The rule redefines the Affordable Care Act's prohibition against discrimination on the basis of "sex" to include "gender identity." The rule deems doctors guilty of discrimination for hewing to the scientifically grounded reality that males and females have different anatomies and physiologies that require different kinds of care.

2 U.S. farmers' outlook improved in May as the Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer index rose to 108, marking a 9-point increase from April. Both of the barometer's subindices saw increases, with the Index of Future Expectations climbing 11 points to 117 and the Current Conditions Index rising 6 points.

3 The Department of Natural Resources is looking for volunteers to help at the Fishin' Pond at the Indiana State Fair, which runs Aug. 2-18. Volunteers receive a free parking pass, State Fair entry for the days worked, and a DNR volunteer T-shirt. For more information, go to bit.ly/FishinPondVolunteer.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"The strongest, toughest men all have compassion. They're not heartless and cold. You have to be man enough to have compassion—to care about people and about your children."

Denzel Washington

TODAY'S JOKE

What'd the tree say when warm weather arrived?
What a re-leaf!

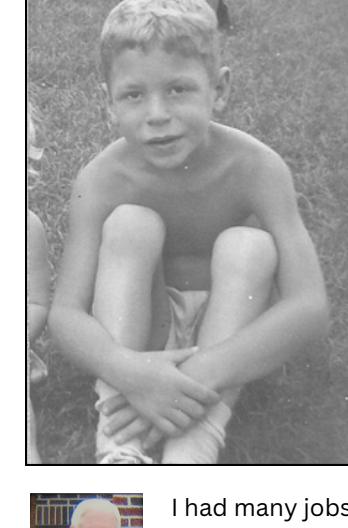
MONTGOMERY MINUTE

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.

It's Time for Mom's Chicken Dinner!



I had many jobs to do on the farm when I was a little whippersnapper.

BUTCH DALE Columnist

Feeding the animals, cleaning out barns, scooping corn, cutting weeds, baling hay, mowing the yard...the list was never-ending. I was in the same boat as other farm kids. We were expected to "earn our keep," and remember that "work is good for you."

Truthfully though, I actually enjoyed working on the farm. It instilled in me a life-long work ethic, and taught me responsibility.

However, there were two chores that I dreaded. When pigs needed to be castrated, Dad had my two uncles hold the pigs down while he did the cutting. As a little kid, I was assigned to pour the iodine on the incision when they were done. The poor pigs squealed and squealed and tried their best to escape. Who can blame them? I hated that job. When I was older, I refused to help. And there was no way I would eat "mountain oysters!" Thankfully, Dad understood.

Another farm chore that I disliked was butchering chickens. Just about every farm family raised chickens in those days, and many folks in town kept a few chickens in a backyard pen. There were no large poultry production facilities at that time, and families usually raised a few for the eggs and meat. A daily "bacon and egg breakfast" and the "Sunday chicken dinner" were staples for many families.

My earliest memories of butchering a chicken revolve around catching the unsuspecting birds. I thought that part was fun! But then came the next step...Dad laying the chicken down, placing an iron bar over its neck, and pulling up on its feet...and the chicken's head slipping off the neck. Oh, my Lord! The chicken would then proceed to run around the lot "like a chicken with its head cut off." Literally. Then it was

See BUTCH Page A3

The Paper
OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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

Franciscan ExpressCare Opens New Location



Photo courtesy Franciscan Health

Patients can be seen M-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and with extended hours virtually.

Franciscan ExpressCare and WorkingWell have moved to a new location at 308 W. Market Street in Crawfordsville.

The facility is now open and seeing patients Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Virtual visits are available weekdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and weekends from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Patients can go to www.FranciscanExpressCare.org to launch a virtual visit.

"This new standalone location will afford us a larger space and make it more accessible to the patients we serve," said Britney Zimmer, operations director, Franciscan Health ExpressCare. "It was previously Franciscan Physician Network Primary Care offices that we have now converted to meet the expansion of our services."

The new location allows both ExpressCare and WorkingWell to see more patients and to bring a new service to the area – Franciscan HEALTHeACCESS.

One of our vital ExpressCare functions is to fill in the gap between primary care

offices and the emergency department when they cannot see same day patients or when patients do not have a primary care provider," Zimmer said. "Patients can come in for a same day appointment. Another of our service lines that is important to the community is our WorkingWell. Employers can get their employees the appropriate care without delay."

HEALTHeACCESS is a network of conveniently located clinic locations that offer expanded primary/urgent care access for a company's employees, as well as enhanced wellness and disease management programs and affordable, customizable program options for employers and their employees.

"Our latest addition to our service lines is HEALTHeACCESS," said Zimmer. "This program helps with the challenges employers face trying to provide affordable health care for their employees. It will offer much of the essential health care of workers of the Crawfordsville area."

For more information, visit [Franciscan Health.org](http://FranciscanHealth.org).



Please visit us online:
thepaper24-7.com

John Dillinger Up Next for Book Club

The Hoosier Authors Book Club enters its ninth year with five planned book discussions this year. Meetings take place in the Lew Wallace Carriage House at 200 Wallace Ave. at 7 pm. On Thursday, June 20, the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum's book club will discuss *Hoosier Public Enemy: A Life of John Dillinger* by John A. Beineke. There are a limited number of books available for check out at the Carriage House at the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum.

During the bleak days of the Great Depression, news of economic hardship often took a backseat to articles on the exploits of an outlaw from Indiana—John Dillinger. For fourteen months during 1933 and 1934, Dillinger became the most famous bandit in American history. A native of Indiana, he is perhaps the most infamous person buried in Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

John Dillinger was more than simply a bank robber and murderer; amid a turbulent time, he represented disobedience. He became a folk hero to some and a public villain to others due to his daring heists and remarkable ability to evade the authorities. Dillinger changed the way the public viewed gangsters and changed the way the FBI operated.

Other books that will be read by the Hoosier Authors Book Club this year include: *You Should See Me in a Crown* by Leah Johnson on July 18, *An Abundance of Katherines* by John Green on September 19, and *The Magic Garden* by Gene Stratton-Porter on October 24.

All discussions are free and open to the public. For more information about the Hoosier Authors Book Club visit <https://www.ben-hur.com/programs/hoosier-authors-book-club/>

Lacey Rogers Celebrates 5 Years at HHSB

Hoosier Heartland State Bank is proud to celebrate Lacey Rogers, Director of Marketing, on her five-year anniversary with the bank. Since joining HHSB, Lacey has been instrumental in enhancing the bank's brand presence, attracting new customers, and deepening relationships with existing clients.

Rogers, a Crawfordsville resident, is a 2004 graduate of Southmont High School. She attended the University of Southern Indiana, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Relations and Advertising. Before joining HHSB, she built a successful career as a graphic designer, accumulating 10 years of experience in the field.

Her blend of professional excellence and community involvement embodies the spirit of Hoosier Heartland State Bank. "Lacey has been instrumental in shaping the HHSB brand," said Brad Monts, President, and CEO of Hoosier



Heartland State Bank.

"Her creativity, dedication, and strategic vision have significantly contributed to our growth and success over the past five years. We are fortunate to have her on our team and look forward to many more years of her leadership."

Outside of her professional achievements, Lacey is an active member of the Crawfordsville community, where she resides with her husband Matt and their dog Reggie. She serves on the board of Friends of Sugar Creek, reflecting her passion for local environmental initiatives. When she's not working, Lacey enjoys the outdoors, attending concerts and sporting events, traveling, and spending quality time with family and friends.

Montgomery Medicine: Sun and Water Safety – Part 1



JOHN R. ROBERTS, M.D.
Montgomery Medicine

The official start of summer will be here soon which means it's time to start thinking about warm weather activities. Most people enjoy some time in the sun. Whether it's lounging by the water, participating in sports, or working outdoors, we all get our fair share of sun every summer. This week, I want to briefly review some sun and water safety tips.

Sun and water safety are key things to be aware of as you venture outdoors. Everyone knows you can get a burn if you're out in the sun too long. However, many people don't realize that you can still get a burn in the shade or on a cloudy day. Ultraviolet (UV) rays come in two forms: UVA and UVB. UVA accelerates aging of the skin, while both UVA and UVB can cause skin cancer by damaging DNA.

Sunscreen lotions work by absorbing the UV rays before they penetrate your skin and cause damage. They can be effective, but only if used properly.

Dermatologists will all tell you it's safer and more effective to use physical blocking agents like sun-protective clothing and wide-brimmed hats.

Sunscreens are rated using the "SPF" scale. Don't bother with lotions with an SPF below 15. An SPF of 15 hypothetically allows you to stay in the sun 15 times longer before you burn.

However, the effectiveness does not last near that long since the lotion usually wears off from sweating, swimming, or friction. Sunscreens should be applied liberally before going out in the sun (at least 2-3 Tablespoons per application). They also need to be re-applied at least every two hours. It's important to get a broad-spectrum lotion that absorbs UVA and UVB. You should also use lip balm containing sunscreen.

There was a study in the January 21, 2020 Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) that raised concern about four chemicals found in sunscreens: avobenzene, oxybenzone, ecamsule, and octocrylene. The chemicals, particularly oxybenzone, were found in the blood of the 24 study participants after applying the agents to 75 percent of their bodies four times a day for 4 days. The amounts applied in the study were about twice what would be considered normal in the real world. The FDA is requiring safety testing to determine if the increased levels have

any adverse health effects. Current thinking is that the risk of sun damage to the skin is higher than adverse health effects from these chemicals in the bloodstream.

Try to stay out of the sun between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. when the intensity of ultraviolet radiation is highest. Sunburns suffered in childhood are a major risk factor for skin cancer later in life, so model good behavior and teach your kids the importance of protecting themselves. Regular use of sunscreen in kids can lower their risk of skin cancer by up to 75 percent.

Don't forget your sunglasses! While most folks apply sunscreen to their skin, they forget to protect their eyes. Ultraviolet radiation can cause damage to the lenses in your eyes leading to clouded vision from cataracts. Read the tag on the glasses to make sure they're rated to block 99 to 100 percent of both UVA and UVB rays. Wraparound glasses are the most effective.

If you're in the sun, water often isn't too far away. About 370 children under age five drown each year in residential swimming pools and spas. Another 6,300 are treated in emergency rooms for submersion accidents that often lead to permanent brain damage. Each year in the U.S., approximately ten children under age 4 die from drowning each day.

If you have young children, you must NEVER leave them alone near a pool or in the care of an older child. It only takes a brief lapse in supervision to lead to tragedy. Although most communities require only an automatic pool cover for safety purposes, you should also include a fence around the pool that has self-closing gates that is at least four feet high. If your kids are visiting a friend's pool, make sure the adults understand your kids are never to be left alone near the water. While swim lessons are advisable, they do not decrease the risk of drowning in kids under four. Flotation devices and swim lessons are NOT a substitute for adult supervision.

You should keep rescue equipment near your pool including a life preserver and shepherd's hook. Have a cell phone or portable phone by the pool so you don't have to go inside and leave kids unattended. Know CPR and consider taking a lifesaving class if you own a pool.

When boating, skiing or

See WATER Page A3

Making Pickles



My Aunt Ruthie used to make the best pickles ever.

CARRIE CLASSON
The Postscript

Ruthie was my mom's sister, and she died a few years back in a car accident that left us all sad and shaken and filled with memories. I remember her dry humor and her sharp intellect and her voracious reading habits. I remember her never-ending kindness and resilience. And I remember her pickles.

Ruthie always gave me a jar of pickles whenever she made them. They were a treasure. One year, the glass Mason jar filled with pickles broke in my purse, and having a vinegar-soaked purse was inconsequential compared to the fear I might waste Aunt Ruthie's pickles. (I did not.)

I remember when I was young, my cousin was reading something I thought was stupid. (I had a lot of opinions back then about what was stupid.) I remember what Ruthie said to me.

"It doesn't matter what she's reading," Ruthie said. "What's important is that she's reading something." I felt a little ashamed, I remember, and I knew Ruthie was right.

And this was rare, a reprimand coming from Ruthie, which is why I remember the next one she gave me 30 years later.

I saw her, and she had not made pickles. Maybe the cucumbers had not cooperated. Maybe Ruthie was working on other things.

Maybe she just lost interest in supplying every relative in her large family with pickles. A person does not need a reason not to make pickles, and yet I felt Aunt Ruthie owed me an explanation.

"Someone as good at making pickles as you should make pickles!" I told her.

"Someone as good at performing as you should perform," she answered, without missing a beat.



Key to Getting Started



DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

This took me aback for a few reasons. The first, as I mentioned, was that Ruthie was always generous with her praise and sparing with her criticism. The second was that I had been a performer for years and was now working in business, which everyone seemed to think was a lot more practical.

And the last reason was that I honestly never thought I had a gift for performing. I enjoyed it. I became comfortable doing it. I worked hard at it so I could keep up with those better than me. But I never thought I was anything special.

This was a long time ago. I eventually left business and started writing. Writing gives me an enormous amount of joy. Like the performing I did earlier, it's a way to connect with other people and, also like performing, I know I am not nearly as good as so many other writers.

But recently I got to thinking about performing again.

At first, I dismissed the idea. I was too busy writing. I had tried once before, right before the pandemic, and nobody got to see anyone perform for a long time. And finally, who wants to see a 60-something-year-old woman on stage? Performing is work best left to the young, I told myself.

But the idea grew as I waited for weeks that turned into months for a book to be sold. I thought what a wonderful feeling it would be to perform again, to do something I had some control over, to do something fun.

My performances will never rival Ruthie's pickles. She really had a gift. But I have an opportunity to do a show this fall, and I am going to take it. I am always telling people to do what they love, after all. I figure if you get a chance to make pickles, you should.

Till next time,
Carrie

A few years back, I told the story of my car starting. I know this does not sound very

interesting, but there was more to it. My Elantra does not require a key. Instead, it has a fob and a push button on the dash. I had accidentally left the little doohickey on the kitchen counter, but when I got in the car and pushed the ignition button, the car roared into action. How could that be?

As my auto technician explained to me that day, my extra fob had to be somewhere in the car. And sure enough, I did find the little rascal hiding in a corner of the seat, lodged in a nest of cookie crumbs, pretzel pieces and pen tops.

Last month, a new issue arose. I was late for an appointment, but my car was in the shop so I had to borrow Mary Ellen's Prius. She came home late, so I waited for her in the driveway. We quickly switched seats when she arrived, with the car still idling. And off I went. On the way to my destination, the dashboard flashed a little advisory note:

THERE IS NO KEY FOB IN THE VEHICLE

How could that be? I was driving, wasn't I? Yes, I was driving, but Mary Ellen still had the key fob in her purse. That meant when I turned off the car, I wouldn't be able to start it again. Of course,

I could call Mary Ellen to come get me after I finished my meeting, but she didn't have her car. I had it. Okay, I could leave the car running while I went to my appointment, but we'd probably be short another car when it was stolen. I turned around and drove back home. I then unfairly blamed Mary Ellen for this predicament. But she had a good explanation:

OOPS!

But there were more key issues. Last week I somehow lost my

"Yes, return to the dealership and buy a new fob, but don't get robbed."

"That will cost me a lot of money, Bob."

"Better call Schwab."

- Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.



**Don't
forget
to
renew
your
subscription!**

BUTCH

From Page A1

dipped in a bucket of scalding hot water for two or three minutes, after which we began plucking all of the feathers...a smelly process for sure.

My folks would then take a sharp knife, remove the feet, and begin the gutting....yuk!

My job was to slice open and peel the gizzard. When I was 11 years old, Dad thought it was time for me to perform the head removal...not good!

I placed the bar over the chicken's neck, closed my eyes, and pulled up on its feet. No luck. I pulled harder. No luck.

When I looked down, the chicken's neck was about 6 inches long. I lifted up the bar, and the now long-necked hen took off...its head flopping side to side!

Dad caught it and ended its misery. That was the first and last time I did that!

Definitely not for me. I watched my grandma's chicken butchering methods one time when I was spending the night. Grandma

Dale tied the chicken's feet to the clothesline with its head hanging down. She grabbed her butcher knife. Oh-oh! Yes, I closed my eyes!

After those little episodes, I didn't want to see any more of the butchering process. I guess I was just too soft-hearted. I decided that I would stick to what I did best...gathering the eggs and eating Mom's or Grandma's delicious fried chicken! Most of the kids today have no idea how chickens, or any other meat

animals, are butchered and processed. Many of them likely believe that the chicken nuggets and the hamburgers in their Happy Meal are made from scratch by Ronald McDonald! If they only knew....

John "Butch" Dale is a retired teacher and County Sheriff. He has also been the librarian at Darlington the past 35 years, and is a well-known artist and author of local history.

WATER

From Page A2

victim yourself. Remember the saying, "reach, throw, row, go." Try to first reach the person with an object.

If you can't, throw something to them or maneuver a boat to them. Finally, as an absolute last resort, enter the water to try and reach them.



The Tire Professionals

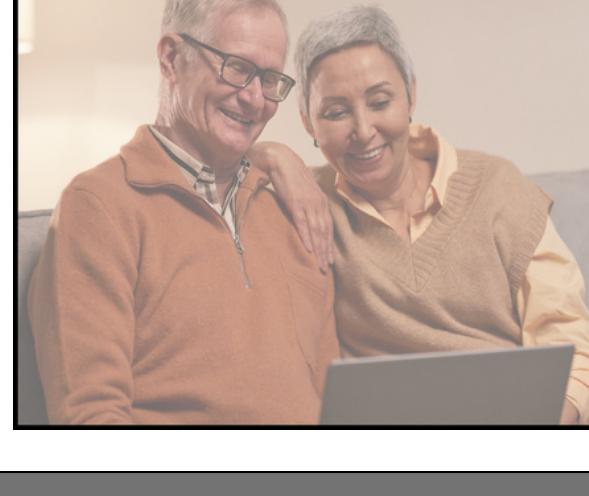
\$15 OFF

OIL CHANGE SPECIAL

Complete visual inspection & air pressure check • No other discounts apply.
Not valid with any other offer. Expires 6/30/24

114 N. Water St. • Crawfordsville (765) 364-0584
Weekdays 7:30 am - 5 pm
Saturday 8 am - Noon
pompstire.com

Visit us online: thepaper24-7.com



Redesigned 2025 Subaru Forester Reaches for Horizons, But Pack Your Patience



 Have you ever been to Montana? As I found for my first visit recently, it's a big place — the kind of wide open, horizon-to-horizon, nestling mountains, and wide-open Interstates kind of place where you just want to drive, drive, and drive. Turns out, it was the perfect place to meet the redesigned 2025 Subaru Forester.

Handsome Upscale Style

Given that backdrop, it looks on the nose with a more wind-swept face wearing squinty headlamps that run from grille to fenders. It's further distinguished by deep fender sculpting over available 19" wheels and taillamps that extend across the liftgate. It's difficult to make a box look sleek, but designers did their best and it's a more handsome vehicle for the effort. There are two exhaust coves, but there's only one tailpipe, so contain your excitement.

No matter your aesthetic, there's a trim level with the right vibe. Drivers who just want a durable crossover with

all-wheel-drive buy the Base, but those craving more progress through Premium, Sport, Limited, and Touring trims. I especially like the Sport that's enhanced by bronze accents and wipe-down faux leather seats. Touring editions conjure all the kit: Brown leather, Harman Kardon audio, digital rearview camera, wireless phone charging, and foot-activated power rear gate, and heated seats all-around.

Unless you go Base, passengers confront a 11.6" tablet-style screen. Easily connect phones wirelessly through Apple CarPlay or Android Auto. Proper knobs for volume and tuning are appreciated. Dual-zone automatic climate control, power sunroof, ventilated front seats, a heated steering wheel are optional. It's probably time for Subaru to offer a digital dash, at least in Sport and Touring models, but there's no beating the clarity of big analog gauges.

Smooth, Capable, and Patient

Enjoy the scenery because it'll be in your view awhile. On paper, the 2.5-liter

horizontally-opposed "Boxer" four-cylinder engine produces 180 horsepower and 178 lb.-ft. of torque — plenty for a crossover this size, yet the continuously variable transmission requires patience to send power through the standard all-wheel-drive system. Clicking paddles to shuffle through eight pre-set gear ratios helps. Expect 25/32-MPG city/highway

Even on wide open Montana highways, I looked for straight downhill segments with plenty of space before passing. Pulling into traffic going uphill takes nerves, as may accelerating onto freeways back home where highways are as flat as a griddle. I will say, though, that once up to speed, the ride is serenely comfortable. There's very little wind noise and only under hard acceleration do you hear more than a murmur from the engine.

It's remarkably capable too, given 8.7" of ground clearance and X-Mode that adjusts for terrain conditions and can even creep down steep inclines. Enjoy a smoother ride and less steering vibration over

rough roads. I spent most of my time in the Touring with softer suspension, but choose the Sport for a more engaging feel.

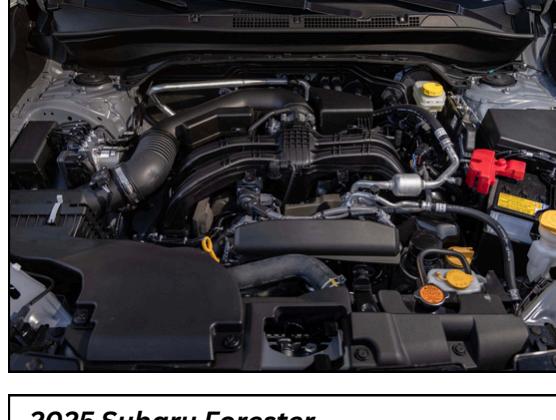
Subarus ace crash tests, but the new 3-camera EyeSight system provides adaptive cruise, automatic braking, lane keep assist, and can even steer around objects in an emergency. Rear cross path detection, safe exit assist, and blind spot warning systems are available too. It can even slow the vehicle should the driver become incapacitated.

Happy Trails

Subaru didn't have to redesign the Forester as the nameplate posted its best-ever sales month during March. Since the automaker knows its customers well, I think they're going to be very happy with the new Forester whether crossing wide-open Montana, taming Dallas traffic, or slicing Indiana cornfields. To keep it affordable, Base models start at just \$29,695, rise through the Sport at \$34,495, and tap out with the Touring's \$39,995.

Storm Forward!

Send comments to Casey at AutoCasey@aol.com; follow him on YouTube @AutoCasey.



2025 Subaru Forester
Five-passenger, AWD Crossover
Powertrain: 2.5-liter H4, CVT
Output: 180hp/178 lb.-ft.
Suspension f/r: Ind/Ind
Wheels f/r: 19"/19" alloy
Brakes f/r: disc/disc
Economy city/hwy: 25/32 mpg
Assembly: Gunma, Japan
Base/as-tested price: \$29,695/39,995

We appreciate our readers!



Visit us online:

thepaper24-7.com



Become an author today!

DON'T WAIT!

Learn how to get your book idea sold online and at bookstores nationwide.

Call or visit us to get your FREE authors guide to publishing!

800-448-1964



www.mybook100.com

SAVE ON YOUR Travel Plans!

- ✓ Up to **75%**
- ✓ more than **500 Airlines**
- ✓ and **300,000 Hotels** across the world!

Let us do the research for you for free... we'll save you time and money

We're not allowed to publish fares online so call for the best rates now

800-419-9625

Spend your travel dollars when you get there not getting there!







Whether you are selling your existing home or moving to your dream home, you need a real estate professional you can depend on.

Clark Dale is a life-long Montgomery County resident, a graduate of Texas Tech and Indiana State universities, and a U.S. Army veteran. Clark is trained in all aspects of buying and selling a home. You can count on him to help meet your real estate needs.



CLARK DALE
www.exprealty.com
PHONE: (765) 918-1773

Wabash.

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

Wabash College invites applications for the part-time position of Academic Administrative Coordinator for Physics and Mathematics and Computer Science. The selected candidate will provide administrative support for the programs, faculty, and students in the identified departments. This is a part-time hourly position during the academic year (August through May) and does not come with additional benefits.

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.

FOR THE RECORD

AGENDA

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024 8 a.m.

1580 Constitution Row - Room E109

CALL TO ORDER Board President John E. Frey

PLEDGE of ALLIGENCE and PRAYER

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: AP \$491,688.07

Payroll \$4,326,622 (includes LIT Distribution)

Minutes: June 10, 2024

NEW BUSINESS

Drug Free Montgomery County Opioid Settlement Funds 2025 Project

Highway Department

CCMG 2024-1 Award Project, Authorization to Proceed & Approve Contract

USI Contract - 2025 PAMP Major Update/2025 Minor

O24 Proactive MSO, LLC Amended Agreement

ORDINANCES

2nd Reading Ordinance 2024-12 An Ordinance Granting the Vacantion of a Certain Alley and North Jackson Street in the Unincorporated Town of Parkersburg

2nd Reading Ordinance 2024-13 An Ordinance Creating the Montgomery County Family Recovery Court 2024 Woman's Legacy Grant Fund

RESOLUTION

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting Monday, June 24, 2024 @ 8 a.m.

Montgomery County Council Meeting

Montgomery County Board of Commissioners Meeting

June 11, 2024 at 9 a.m.

1580 Constitution Row - Room E109

Agenda

Call to Order: Council President David Hunt

Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes:

May 14, 2024

Approval of Claim(s):

\$822.50 - Taylor, Minnette, Schneider & Clutter, P.C.; Invoice 22435

\$500.57 - Peters Franklin, LTD; Invoice 16143

Accept & Acknowledge Receipt:

Same Series Transfer Report - Auditor

Public Comment on Agenda Items

New Business

CDPL Board of Trustees Appointment

After four full terms, totaling 16 years, Mr. Brian Keim is retiring from the Crawfordsville District Public Library Board of Trustees as of June 30, 2024. The library has benefited from his leadership, and we are grateful for his long service to the community in this capacity. We will miss him. However, we are now in need of someone to serve in the next four-year board term that starts July 1, 2024.

You may have someone in mind for the appointment; however, we hope that you will consider Dr. Crystal Benedicks, former Chair of the English Department at Wabash College, currently Co-Chair of First-Year Experience and Coordinator of Writing Across the Curriculum. Dr. Benedicks previously served three years on the library board as an appointee of the County Commissioners, stepping in to complete the first term of her father inlaw, James Cherry. Dr. Benedicks has also recently served as the co-president of Montgomery County's Women's Legacy Fund.

After a year off, Dr. Benedicks is interested in returning to the library board and has indicated her willingness to serve. When first appointed, Dr. Benedicks noted: "...public libraries have been a shaping force in my life since I was very young. My family and I have spent hours at The Crawfordsville District Public Library. I regularly walk my Wabash freshman writing classes over for a tour. It would be an honor to help support your mission.

2025 Budget: schedule and guidance to Departments regarding compensation

The Auditor will review the schedule for the 2025 budget. Staff is seeking guidance from the Council on the amount to budget for compensation increases since the compensation study will not be completed prior to the July 1 deadline to submit budget requests.

Discussion regarding request to appropriate \$500,000 in the General Fund for the Redevelopment Commission

At the work session of the Council and Commissioners, there was a request from the Commissioners for an additional appropriation in the General Fund that would be used by the Redevelopment Commission. The revenue source would be some of the interest income above the amount budgeted as revenue for the 2025 budget.

Discussion regarding supplemental income tax distribution

The County has received a supplemental income tax distribution in the amount of \$755,384 for the General Fund and \$523,816 for the Public Safety LIT Fund. The revenue from this distribution was not budgeted as revenue for the 2024 budget. If the Council desires to utilize this distribution for a project(s), then an additional appropriation would be required. Potential projects could be jail repair which is estimated to cost over \$600,000 or the housing program in the amount of \$500,000.

Resolution of Need for the Courthouse Project

As part of the process to finance the renovations to the Courthouse, the Council will need to adopt a Resolution determining that there is a need for the project.

Letter of Support for Grant Application by the Soil and Water Conservation District

Last fall, our grant application to implement conservation practices in the Upper Sugar Creek Watershed did not make the cut for funding. At our May meeting, the SWCD board approved for me to reapply for these funds this year. Would it be possible for the Council to provide a letter of support for this endeavor? I have attached a letter from the district with details on the project that will help explain what this grant is about. We would like to have partner letters before August 1st. ~ Kristen Latzke, Conservation Director

Update on New Laws

County Attorney Dan Taylor will provide an update to the Council regarding new State laws that impact County government.

Old Business

Reports

Funded Organizations

Department Heads

Elected Officials

Councilors

Public Comment

Next regular meeting

July 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at Montgomery County Government Center, 1580

Constitution Row - Room E109

Adjournment

Product Recalls Listed for May

Attorney General Todd Rokita is alerting Hoosiers of important consumer protection concerns for products recalled in May. The office encourages consumers to take advantage of opportunities available for those who purchase recalled items that could be harmful to their families.

"Summer is in full swing, and that means you and your family will be spending more time outdoors," Rokita said. "Don't let the beautiful weather be ruined by an outdoor item breaking down. If you have one of the recalled products, stop using it immediately and pursue resolution from the manufacturer immediately."

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the following consumer products were recalled in May:

- Crib Bumpers Recalled Due to Suffocation Hazard; Violation of Federal Crib Bumper Ban; Sold by Henan Ouchang Trading and Xinxiang Junshun Trading on AliExpress and Recalled by AliExpress
- Black & Decker Recalls CRAFTSMAN V20 Cordless Tillers/Cultivators Due to Laceration Hazard
- Medline Industries Recalls 1.5 Million Adult Portable Bed Rails Due to Serious Entrapment and Asphyxia Hazards; Two Deaths Reported
- Compare Brands Recalls ADIOS! Super Vinegar All Natural Cleaner Due to Risk of Poisoning and Chemical Burns; Violation of Labeling Requirements under the Federal Hazardous Substances Act; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com
- TOPINCN Pool Drain Covers Recalled Due to Entrapment Hazard; Violation of the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com by Sanure

- Kano Laboratories Recalls Super Lube® Products Due to Risk of Poisoning; Violation of the Poison Prevention Packaging Act
- CHZHVAN Combination Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors Recalled Due to Failure to Alert to Fire; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com by Haikouhuidishangmaoyouxianqongsi

- Electrolux Group Reannounces Recall of Frigidaire and Kenmore Electric Ranges Due to Fire and Burn Hazards; Multiple Fires and Injuries Reported
- Children's Nightgowns Recalled Due to Burn Hazard and Violation of Federal Flammability Standards; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com; Imported by Zegoo Home

- Spin Swivel Chairs Recalled Due to Fall Hazard; Imported by Article
- Korimefa Multi-Purpose Helmets Recalled Due to Risk of Head Injury; Violation of Federal Regulations for Bicycle Helmets; Imported by Yangxi and Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com

- Children's Robes Recall Expansion Announced Due to Burn Hazard and Violation of Federal Regulation for Clothing Storage Units; Imported by LFN Limited

- Skims Body Recalls SKIMS Children's Pajama Sets Due to Burn Hazard; Violation of Federal Regulations for Children's Sleepwear; Sold Exclusively by Skims Body

- Igloo Products Recalls Youth Sipper Bottles Due to Choking Hazard

If you believe you recently purchased a recalled product, stop using it, and check its recall notice (linked above for all products). Then follow the notice's instructions, including where to return the product, how to get the product fixed, how to dispose of the product, how to receive a refund for the product, or what steps must be taken to receive a replacement product.

To view recalls issued prior to May visit the Consumer Protection Safety Commission website.

BLUE PILL PROMOTIONAL OFFER

SAVE OVER \$500!

Generic and Herbal versions of Viagra® right now as low as \$2 a pill.
Mention the discount code **STEELMAN** and get the special **BUY 1 GET 1 FREE!**
Call now for rush delivery in your unmarked package.

Change your life and call today! **1-800-515-6311**

LIVING WITH DIABETES CAN BE PAINLESS



If you administer insulin 3 or more times per day or using an insulin pump, **CALL NOW** and learn how a Continuous Glucose Monitor **CAN HELP YOU**.

Get **FREE** shipping of your new CGM, plus we will bill your insurance for you... **AT LITTLE OR NO COST!**

CALL NOW! 866-641-0141
COPAYS AND DEDUCTIBLES MAY APPLY

THE PAPER

For The Record is a public service and regular feature in The Paper of Montgomery County. It is designed to tell you what is scheduled to happen and what actually does happen in meetings paid for with your tax dollars. The Paper encourages all citizens to take an active role in being involved in local government.