

TODAY'S VERSE

Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

Meet Caroline



How is this beauty still here? Caroline is a gorgeous 2 year old female tabby available for adoption at The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL) since 11/27/23. Caroline has won the prestigious awards of ULTIMATE BEAUTY & SUPER SNUGLER! Caroline has a superstar personality! Caroline is playful, friendly, and will gladly keep your lap nice and warm! Caroline is spayed, dewormed, and up to date on all of her shots. Come say hi and ask to meet Caroline!

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It's Time for School to Start Again!

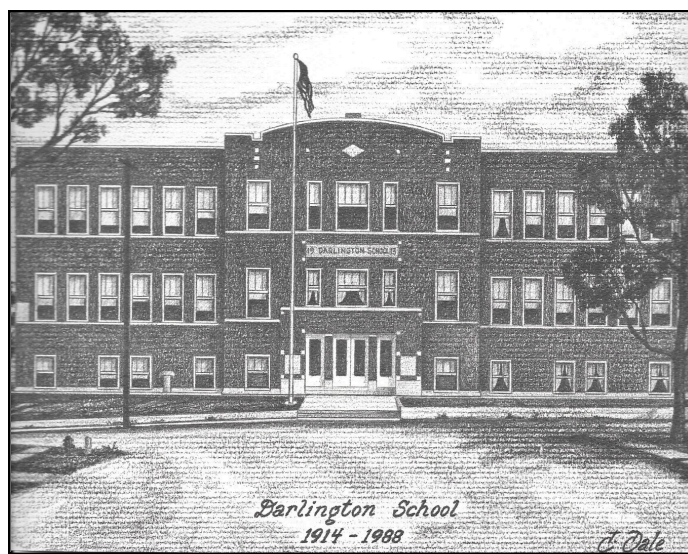


BUTCH DALE Columnist

My daughter teaches English at North Montgomery High School. Last week she mentioned that school

starts up again on Aug. 7. . . No way! But of course she was correct. It seems that school starts earlier and earlier each year. That's hard for a baby boomer like me to imagine, since school always started in September after Labor Day when I was a youngster. When Dad took us to the Indiana State Fair, we knew school was right around the corner.

A few of my former



classmates sometimes complained about heading back to the classroom, but most of them actually looked forward to being back in school. They just wouldn't admit it. I loved school . . .

being with my buddies, meeting new teachers, learning new subjects and participating in clubs and sports. I was done mowing yards, baling hay and

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Taste Tickets Go On Sale Thursday

Advance tickets for the 17th annual Taste of Montgomery County go on sale Thursday in select Crawfordsville locations. The Taste of Montgomery County will be held at the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum on Saturday, Aug. 24, from noon to 9 p.m.

Visitors can purchase Taste

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LWV Asks: So, What's the Plan Now?



"So, what's the plan now?" came the text from one sibling to the others. It landed somewhere around 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 21. It took a few minutes for the

first reply. "You mean about Biden dropping out of the race?"

Within minutes, the thread vibrated with questions about endorsements for Kamala Harris and who would be the vice presidential nominee. Then came the line, "I don't think she has the charisma to win."

When President Biden dropped out of the race that Sunday, it changed the discourse around the upcoming U.S. election, but not our human tendency to rely on our cognitive biases in making decisions. Listen to anyone around you or turn to the Op-Ed programs on your news network and the old lessons from high school language arts classes on logical fallacies in rhetoric and cognitive biases in decision-making may come back to you. That's assuming most people took rhetoric classes in which teachers presented things like appeal to authority, ad hominem, appeal to celebrity, appeal to emotion, confirmation bias or the halo effect.

Humans are prone to make these errors in the face of change and pressure, especially in information overload. We default to making sense of events, people, even facts, using shortcuts from our belief systems and life experiences. Being aware of our biases doesn't require us to change religions, political leanings or personal affiliations. It's merely noticing when we've framed an experience or belief in an inaccurate or unreasonable way. Knowing the common logical fallacies and cognitive biases helps us from being manipulated by politicians, advertisers and very charismatic figures.

Everyone should be familiar

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Pardon the Pun, But Right 'Back' at Ya



TIM TIMMONS Two Cents

A few weeks ago, I got a nice cup of coffee in the kitchen and headed to my basement / dungeon office to start work. I had on my usual work-at-home-attire - PJs and slippers. Ten minutes later, my wife was standing over me calling an ambulance.

A little explanation may help.

My wife and I have been together 42 years. We're no spring chickens and even though we're not quite ready to be put out to pasture, retirement is no longer some distant speck on the horizon. To that end, a couple of years

ago we bought a nearly century old house. It was our first step toward downsizing and early preparations for someday hanging up the typewriter.

This very old home had a boiler furnace and truth to tell, we found we like it better than anything we've had in the myriad of homes a vagabond newspaperman has over a long career.

Until it broke.

The boiler is in the basement and one day a valve broke - flooding everything. That began a wonderful period of dealing with insurance, contractors, dust and muss and more. However, when it was all said and done, we had a lot of new

drywall and carpet.

Funny thing, but house slippers are pretty slippery on new carpet.

Back to the call for the ambulance.

I work from home most of the time. Rather than drive to our offices in Crawfordsville and Noblesville every day to log onto a computer and work, I've found I can do the same thing by logging onto a computer and working . . . from home . . . in PJs. (And to think I used to believe casual Fridays were the best!).

Anywho, I stopped at the coffee pot, filled up and headed to work.

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you can't fall asleep within 20 minutes of going to bed, get out of bed, go to another room and do something boring until you get sleepy. 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

"Never retreat. Never explain. Get it done and let them howl." Benjamin Jowett

THREE THINGS You Should Know

- 1 Indiana Republican nominee for Governor, Mike Braun, released a plan to give Hoosiers property tax relief. "Nothing is more important than ensuring Hoosiers can afford to live in their homes without being overburdened by rising property taxes driven by rapid inflation in home values. As governor, I will introduce a bold agenda to deliver historic property tax relief for all Indiana residents. My plan focuses on capping property tax increases, updating deductions, increasing transparency, and reforming the referendum process." You can find the plan on his X (Twitter) account
2 Attorney General Todd Rokita is warning Hoosiers to watch out for scammers soliciting donations for fake charitable causes. Good Samaritans started a legitimate fundraising effort to support families of those killed and wounded during the July 13 attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump, but scammers have used this tragedy to start their own copycat efforts to lure donors to give money to imposter accounts. He said before donating to ask questions, make sure you are dealing with a legitimate organization, always use a credit card to get protections those companies offer and look up a charity's report and ratings on these websites: CharityNavigator.org, CharityWatch.org, Give.org and Guidestar.org If you ever suspect a scam file a complaint at indianaconsumer.com or call Rokita's office at 1-800-382-5516.
3 "If you ask me, do I believe there's life in a universe that is so vast that it's hard for me to comprehend how big it is? My personal answer is yes," NASA Administrator Bill Nelson told reporters at a news conference not so long ago. Meanwhile, in a recent World UFO Day interview, Journalist and UFO Investigator, Nick Pope, told CGTN-TV America's reporter Sean Callebs that "the subject has gone from fringe to mainstream in recent years. It used to be if you talked about [extraterrestrials] people thought you had tinfoil on your head but nowadays the United States government has come out and opened a lot of files."

TODAY'S JOKE

Why do fish like worms? I don't know, but they're hooked on 'em!

MONTGOMERY MINUTE

United Way in Montgomery County, along with the Chamber, Leadership, the Foundation, Wabash College and the City of Crawfordsville, announced the Crawfordsville | Montgomery County Community Day of Service. This year's event is scheduled for Sept. 25 from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Be sure to mark your calendars and watch for the official registration and more event details to come soon!



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



## Congratulations to This Cowgirl!



Photo courtesy Clark Dale

Ava Dale had another successful fair! Ms. Dale was the champion barrel racer in the intermediate division at the Tippecanoe County 4-H Fair. She also won the speed and action event. She competes at different events throughout the year and will continue her season in the IBRA and NBHA. Good luck with your upcoming events!

## Movie Night in Russellville Friday

On Friday at 7 p.m. the Russellville Community Center will be showing the movie, "RV!" Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The movie will be shown in our air-conditioned gym at the Russellville Community Center. The public is invited to

attend. The cost is \$1 per person and hotdogs, popcorn, chips, nachos with cheese, brownies, Rice Krispie treats and drinks will be available to purchase. Please join in for a cool and fun evening!

## Sen. Deery's Weekly Update



**SPENCER DEERY**  
 Guest Columnist

With students across Indiana preparing to return to school, Hoosiers should be aware of several new laws now in effect aimed at improving education throughout the state.

Why it matters: Even if you don't have children, you benefit from living in a community where young people are equipped with the skills and knowledge they need to contribute, serve and self-govern. Providing a quality education for Hoosier students is vital in preparing students – and our state – for the future.

New education laws I supported this year include:

- A new law to identify struggling readers and provide early intervention to improve students' basic reading skills;
- A law requiring schools to adopt policies that limit students from using cellphones and other devices during class time; and
- A law that requires schools to establish a truancy prevention policy to ensure kids are in school and learning.

As your state senator, I will continue supporting policies that ensure our students are ready to learn and be successful.

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Back-To-School in Senate District 23

Schools across Senate District 23 will return in the coming weeks, which means students will be riding buses, walking or driving to school.

Return dates for schools in Senate District 23 are as follows:

- Attica Consolidated School Corporation - Aug. 5
- Benton Community School Corporation - Aug. 14
- Clay Community Schools - Aug. 7
- Covington Community School Corporation - Aug. 9
- MSD of Warren County - Aug. 7
- North Central Parke Community School Corporation - Aug. 7
- North Montgomery Community School Corporation - Aug. 7
- Southeast Fountain School Corporation - Aug. 7
- Southmont Schools - Aug. 7
- South Vermillion Community School Corporation - Aug. 6
- Southwest Parke Community Schools - Aug. 7
- Tippecanoe School Corporation - Aug. 13
- West Lafayette Community School Corporation - Aug. 7

Please use caution while driving, especially in school zones, so everyone

can travel to and from their homes safely.

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Purdue, INDOT Seek Public Input

Purdue University and the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) are asking West Lafayette-area residents to take a survey about the state's dynamic wireless power transfer project along U.S. 52/U.S. 231 outside INDOT's West Lafayette subdistrict office.

The survey will give Purdue and INDOT an understanding of the public's perception and expectation of electric vehicles (EVs), EV charging and the wireless power project.

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Disaster Loans Available

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) and U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) recently announced businesses and residents of Parke and Vermillion counties are eligible for low interest disaster loans following damage from the June 25 storms.

A Disaster Loan Outreach Center has been set up at the Ivy Tech Terre Haute Campus, 8000 Education Drive, and will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fridays, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays through Aug. 5.

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Senate District 23 INDOT Update

Chip seal work is expected to begin this week on portions of U.S. 36 in Parke County and State Road 32 in Fountain and Vermillion counties.

The work will take place along U.S. 36 from the Indiana/Illinois state line to Rockville and the State Road 32 project will take place from the Indiana/Illinois state line to U.S. 41.

This work is expected to be complete by early August.

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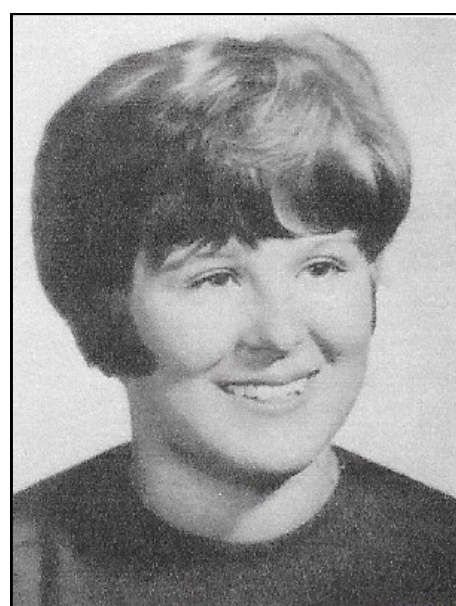
Good Luck Hoosier Olympians

The 2024 Paris Olympics begin today, and Indiana will be well represented on Team USA.

This year's team includes many Hoosiers and athletes with Indiana connections who are participating in a wide variety of competitions. Congratulations to our Hoosier athletes for earning this great honor, and good luck as you represent Indiana on the world stage!

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

## Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize This Person?

HINT:

She grew up on a dairy farm in Ohio and now lives near Darlington. Her son teaches at Pleasant Hill Elementary.

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## CASEY WILLIAMS



Nobody but noooooobody gives you a better inside scoop on new cars than Casey Williams. Each week Casey puts you behind the wheel and gives you the lowdown on the latest out of Detroit, or other places! If you drive a car, this is a must read!

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detasseling corn. Summer baseball was over, too, and I was excited for school to start!

In those days, the school passed out a book list for each grade. Most of us purchased used books from the parents of a student who was one grade ahead of us. This reduced the cost quite a bit, but there were workbooks and other materials which had to be purchased new. These were sold at the local drug store, and then later on at the school. Most of my clothes were handed down to me from two or three cousins, but my folks always took me to Crawfordsville to buy me one pair of jeans and one pair of sneakers . . . total cost about \$7. These were to last all school year. The jeans were always too long, so I rolled them up at the ankle, and then let them down a bit as I grew taller. During my senior year, my parents splurged and bought me a pair of "penny loafers" at Kenney's Shoes. That same year, the PTA purchased all of us basketball players new Converse All-Star sneakers. These cost \$6.50 a pair, and I couldn't believe they had spent that much!

I took my lunch to school during the elementary grades and in junior high, but during my high school years, I ate the school lunches, which cost 30 cents when I was a senior. The school had some great cooks, and I especially liked the taco, chili and Salisbury steak meals . . . and I loved their apple crisp! If the cooks had fixed too much, we could get second helpings for free. And after lunch, I usually headed down to the "subway" hall where the sixth-grade teacher, Raymon Brown, sold ice cream treats for a nickel.

As I stood at the end of our driveway on the farm, I watched as my

bus driver, Marvin Branstetter, headed my way. Ten minutes and four stops later we arrived in front of the school and scrambled inside. I still recall the smell of newly lacquered and polished wooden floors, as our teachers stood by the doors to their rooms, and welcomed us inside. It was great to see my classmates again, and meet any new students. The boys had fresh haircuts, and the girls were all dolled up for that first day. During a few years, the student body assembled in the gym, and the principal went over rules, expected codes of conduct, guidelines, etc. . . . not something we wanted to hear, so a few mumbles and grumbles were heard. But hey, that's part of school.

There was a call-out for joining clubs and organizations. Through the years, I was in the science club, student council, Honor Society, Latin club and was the sports editor on the yearbook. I sold magazines to raise money for our senior trip, attended Boys State, acted in the senior play and participated in all four sports that were offered. I went to class parties, and often met others at the drug store in the evenings to hear the latest gossip and talk about sports and girls, as I sipped on cherry Cokes, munched on chips, and had a dish of ice cream. Basketball practice always began in October, with games starting up in November, and I couldn't wait for the season to start!

Yes, another school year had begun at old DHS, and I was happy!

*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.*

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Zip! Bam! Boom!

Those slippery slippers hit the second step of that new carpeting and began a chain reaction with me along for the ride.

For those of you who watch America's Funniest Home Videos, this was not the typical scene of someone going bumpety-bumpety-bumpety on their toosh down the staircase. Nope. My right leg went straight out and my left leg got caught behind me. I went tumbling head over tea kettles down the steps. Apparently, I hit a step pretty hard on one of the tumbles before landing face first in a heap at the bottom. My back hurt so bad I didn't even notice the burns on my chest from the coffee.

My lovely wife rushed down the stairs and a few minutes later called the ambulance. A bunch of X-rays revealed I broke a few vertebrae in my upper back.

Turns out there are no complications and no surgery required. Just healing time. The good doctor did add insult to injury when she said the healing time would take

four to eight weeks . . . "But you know, at your age it might take a bit longer."

Sheesh.


I've been asked how I feel now, a few weeks later. Well, not great but a lot better. I also feel pretty lucky. I got a sprained hip, some sore ribs and an aching back. But considering how I fell, it could have been a lot worse. I am lucky indeed!

Besides, how many people do you know who are clumsy enough to break their back twice! Yup did my very best imitation of Charlie Brown kicking a football in a bowling alley . . . but that's a story for another day.

In the meantime, and I mean this truly, I hope your summer is going better than mine.

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

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**Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia**  
**Answer: Linda (Wade) Swyers**

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**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
 By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54D01-2401-MF-000101 wherein U.S. Bank National Association was Plaintiff, and Carmen N. Clark and Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority, was/were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 11th day of September, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana.  
 City of Crawfordsville: Lot Numbered 6, as the same is known and designated on the recorded Plat of May and Thomas addition to the City of Crawfordsville, in Montgomery County, Indiana.  
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with *ad hominem*. That's just plain ol' name-calling, like "childless cat ladies" or "shillbilly." *Ad hominem* attacks highlight irrelevant personal characteristics that distract from the substance of policy and reveals clues about a speaker's character, insecurities, and depth of knowledge and thought on what really matters. "We don't always realize that when we talk, we're not just conveying the content of our speech, we're also conveying a lot about who we are when we open our mouth and speak," says Katherine Kinzer, University of Chicago professor of psychology.

"We need to pray for our country," said a woman named Charlotte. "I heard that when a woman becomes a leader, that is the downfall of an empire." That's an appeal to fear, and a rather puzzling one that raises questions like, is the U.S. an empire and why would a woman be afraid of a woman leader considering the records of Margaret Thatcher, Angela Merkel, Golda Meir, Indira Gandhi, all those European queens, Helen of Constantinople, and hundreds of other women currently or recently running their nations, the World Bank, and Fortune 500 companies. Those nations and organizations haven't collapsed because a woman was elected or appointed to lead.

Consider the halo effect. If someone has charisma, we're more likely to think they are believable and ethical, no matter what the evidence says. If we perceive them as stiff, stilted, and stumbling, we are more likely to

find reasons to discredit them. That cognitive bias tends to make us susceptible to appeals to celebrity. When Gen Z British celeb Charli XCX labeled Kamala Harris "brat," she was using her clout to boost young women's perception of Harris. When George Clooney publicized why he withdrew financial support for President Biden, he used his status to impact confidence in Biden's capabilities. (There might have been a good reason for caution, but physicians are qualified to assess and communicate that. A celebrity is not.) When Hulk Hogan tore his shirt for Donald Trump, he wanted to appeal to WWE fans' sense of being in the "in group."

It's groupthink at work, looking to others in our affinity group to make sense of what's unclear to us. If we think we're wise to the appeals to celebrity, we still have to consider appeals to authority. What if it's your pastor, a business leader you admire, or an academic, a writer, a speaker or a thought leader who endorses or tries to persuade you? Appeal to authority becomes a pitfall when the authority is not an expert on the topic on which they are speaking. It's on us to evaluate what information a leader includes, what they omit, and to distinguish the facts from opinion. There was a day, when print news was king, that newspapers labeled sections separating hard news and feature news - just the facts, ma'am - from the editorial and opinion pages. Journalists adhered to a code of ethics that aimed at the ideal of objectivity. (The code still exists, by the way. Look it up here: <https://www.spj.org/ethicscode.asp>.) But in recent decades, social scientists have argued that objectivity is impossible and bias is inevitable.

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Bias can seep into how we present facts. The order of facts becomes a matter of priority and since people tend to remember the first and last items they heard in a report, story or speech, we are susceptible to coverage bias and concision bias. How often we hear an idea repeated suggests to our brains its level of importance. It's worth developing a healthy skepticism if you hear an idea repeated often. If you have ever heard a word so many times it starts to sound funny to you, that's the sense you're trying to cultivate. The idea should hit you fresh, with a sense of "That is starting to sound funny to me. Why?"

Our lives are busy. Information and change come at us at the speed of nanoseconds. Most of us have a little inner skeptic asking us to slow down and ponder what is happening. We benefit if we slow down and pay attention. Often it raises uncomfortable questions if we listen to it. It requires us to do some work (not just watching YouTube or TikTok). Who has time for that? We do if we don't want to be manipulated or exploited by catchy, surface-level content. If we hear ourselves saying, "I feel like..." or "I (don't) think..." that's a pretty big cue that we may be taking a mental shortcut. Notice that leap in thinking. It signals we've moved from what we know, what we've worked hard to understand and think through to what we assume or want to believe.

When the sibling texted, "I don't think she has the charisma" about Kamala Harris, when Charlotte said, "I heard that empires fail when...", when Clooney wrote his op-ed about withholding contributions from Biden, when someone equates the MAGA movement as supporting their belief system, or when Kamala is Brat goes viral, all such statements fall back on how the speakers intuit the situation. Our task, as healthy skeptics trying to discern how to vote in the coming election is to be comfortable asking why did that person say that? What beliefs motivated the speakers? Are these claims supported with evidence beyond what I would prefer to believe? What evidence exists? What will I do if there isn't a clear answer to some of these questions?

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**↓ TASTE**

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tickets at the Carriage House Interpretive Center of the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum, home of the Taste; the Montgomery County Visitors and Convention Bureau on the first floor of Fusion 54 at 101 W. Main Street; Milligan's Flowers & Gifts at 115 E. Main; and Crawfordsville Community Center at 922 E. South Boulevard.

Advance tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. Benefits of purchasing advance tickets are twofold; tickets are less expensive than admission on Taste day and ticket holders will be able to get in the gate faster! Admission on the day of the Taste is \$8 for adults and \$3 for students.

The Taste of Montgomery County is an annual fundraiser for the Lew Wallace Study Preservation Society, the organization that maintains General Lew Wallace's original artifacts and keeps his legacy alive. Not only was Wallace the youngest Major General in the Civil War and the author of the novel *Ben-Hur* which was written on the grounds where Taste is held; but he was also the Ambassador to the Ottoman Empire and Governor of New Mexico Territory during the Billy the Kid days!

All proceeds from Taste admissions directly benefit educational programming at the museum, while food ticket sales are split between the museum and the vendors.

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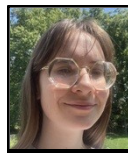
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**SUSANNA HOWARD**  
Guest Columnist

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# Rep. Genda's Weekly Update



**MARK GENDA**  
Guest Columnist

Indiana's Operation Back to School program is helping Hoosier veteran families in need receive help paying for much-needed school supplies.

old. Household income must be no more than twice the federal poverty level, which is \$62,400 for a family of four.

Applications are open until Aug. 30. Assistance is available through the Military Family Relief Fund.

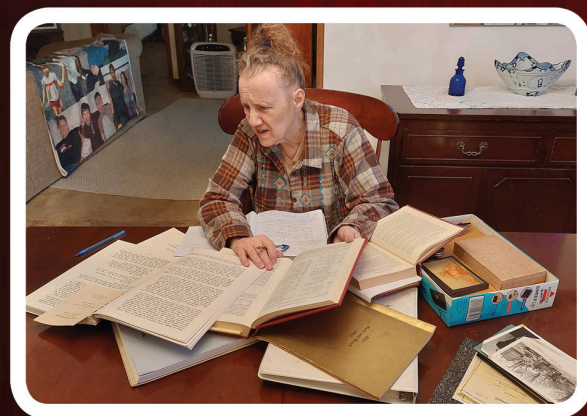
The Military Family Relief Fund in Indiana also supports veterans and families with expenses like housing, utilities, food, health care and transportation costs.

As high inflation continues to squeeze family budgets, this financial aid can make a real difference for vets who want to make sure their children are prepared to head back to the classroom. To help spread the word, please share this information with veteran families you know.

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

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## Kenny Thompson Talking Zach Edey And The NBA





**KENNY THOMPSON**  
Columnist

### Edey's Selection and a Ranking of Purdue Draft Picks by Round

Imagine if ESPN existed in 1968 and had the rights to the NBA Draft as the so-called worldwide leader in sports does today.

How long would it have taken to analyze 214 players, from future Hall of Famer Elvin Hayes to Willie Horton of Delaware, over 21 rounds – the length of that year's draft for a 14-team NBA?

Let's be conservative and estimate an average of 5 minutes per pick. That's 1,070 minutes, not counting the introduction to the draft telecast and one or two-minute blocks of commercials as was common in late 1960s network television. At four minutes of commercials per hour, the 1968 NBA Draft would have taken nearly 20 hours of network time.

It shouldn't come as a surprise that when the first televised NBA Draft took place in 1980 on USA Network, the selection process had been slashed to 10 rounds. The current two-round format was adopted in 1989, and ESPN gained the TV rights in 2003.

Two-time National Player of the Year Zach Edey became Purdue's 11th first-round draft pick Wednesday night when the Memphis Grizzlies drafted the Toronto native ninth overall. The pick shocked ESPN draft host Malika Andrews, who uttered "wow" moments after commissioner Adam Silver announced the pick.

The Athletic's Mike Vorkunov wrote that the pick "was met with shock and groans here in Brooklyn."



Photo courtesy of Purdue Athletics

### Zach Edey gets the phone call from the Grizzlies and became a first round pick in the NBA Draft

More positive in his analysis was someone who has seen Edey play several times.

"His footwork and his mobility have improved so much over the last several years," ESPN college basketball analyst Jay Bilas said. "I think his game is going to translate to the NBA. Is he going to be a guy that's going to be a stretch big? No. But he's going to change your rotation when he's put into the game because of his size."

ESPN reporter Adrian Wojnarowski said that once the Portland Trail Blazers took Connecticut center Donovan Clingan at No. 7, Memphis shifted its focus to Edey.

"Zach Kleiman, general manager of Memphis, was determined he was going to get a center in this lottery," Wojnarowski said. "Zach Edey heads to Memphis where he'll have an opportunity on a team returning that can be a 50-55 win regular season team to be their starting center."

CBSSports.com writer Adam Finkelstein also sees Memphis as a good fit for Edey.

"This is a pick where beauty is in the eye of the beholder," Finkelstein wrote. "Nobody cares what Edey did in college in terms of Edey's decorated trophy case. But they do care about your rate of improvement – and Edey improved every single year. He's massive, so big that it can actually hurt him on defense because he will be attacked on ball screens. But he's massive, he's a worker and he's improving every single day. And he fits: Edey is the best screener in the draft, and

Ja Morant loves running a pick-and-roll."

Purdue joins Michigan and Ohio State to have a freshman class in the last 35 years with two top-10 NBA Draft picks. The Wolverines' Chris Webber went first in 1993 and Juwan Howard fifth a year later; Lawrence North and Ohio State teammates Greg Oden (1st) and Mike Conley (4th) in 2007 and the Boilermakers' Jaden Ivey (5th in 2022) and Edey.

The Boilermakers have had 52 players selected since Ed Ehlers went third overall to the Boston Celtics in 1947. That year, there were 10 NBA teams in existence, including the now defunct Pittsburgh Ironmen, Toronto Huskies, Providence Steamrollers, St. Louis Bombers, Chicago Stags, Washington Capitols and Baltimore Bullets (not the same Bullets that eventually became the Washington Wizards). Only the Celtics and New York Knicks remain in their original cities from 1947. The Philadelphia Warriors are now in San Francisco as the Golden State Warriors.

Here's my rankings of the best Boilermakers drafted by round.

#### 1 – Glenn Robinson

Taken first overall by the Milwaukee Bucks, Robinson signed a 10-year, \$68 million contract. The "Big Dog" fulfilled the first eight years in Milwaukee and only averaged fewer than 20 points a game one time in that span. That was an injury-filled 1998-99 season and Robinson still managed to average 18.4 points over 47 games.

Robinson earned his lone NBA championship ring during his final season

playing for the 2005 San Antonio Spurs.

Honorable mention: Joe Barry Carroll, Herm Gilliam.

#### 2 – Terry Dischinger

Being the eighth overall pick in any NBA Draft is special, but in 1962 it was a seven-team league. The most unstable franchise in the NBA, the Chicago Zephyrs, took Dischinger with the first pick of Round 2.

Amazingly, Dischinger was voted NBA Rookie of the Year while just playing weekends and holidays so he could finish his Chemical Engineering degree. But those 57 games were productive with Dischinger averaging 25.5 points, 8.0 rebounds and 3.1 assists for a sorry franchise coached by Jack McMahon and Bobby Leonard that went 25-55. The next season, the Zephyrs became the Baltimore Bullets.

Dischinger was an NBA All-Star three consecutive seasons before a two-year hitch in the U.S. Army slowed his career momentum.

Honorable mention: Brian Cardinal, Carl Landry, E'Twaun Moore.

#### 3 – Frank Kendrick

Kendrick played his lone NBA season for the Golden State Warriors, which won the 1975 title. Kendrick averaged 3.3 points per game in 24 games.

#### 4 – Jerry Sichting

Drafted by Golden State in 1979, Sichting never played for the Warriors. The Martinsville native ended up playing five seasons for the Indiana Pacers, for whom he enjoyed a career-best season in 1983-84 at 11.5 points and 5.7 assists a game.

Sichting was traded to the Boston Celtics, whom he helped win the 1986 NBA title. Sichting averaged 6.9 points during his 10-year pro career.

Honorable mention: Wilson Eison, Jim Rowinski.

#### 5 – Bob Ford

The All-Big Ten forward and member of the early 1970s "F-Troop" at Purdue alongside George Faerber and William Franklin was chosen by the New York Knicks but opted for the ABA's Memphis Tams. Ford played nine games for the Tams before being released.

Honorable mention: Larry Weatherford, Bruce Parkinson

#### 6 – Tom Scheffler

Seven years after he was drafted by the Indiana Pacers, the 6-11 center played his lone NBA season in 1984-85 with the Portland Trail Blazers. His younger brother, Steve, would play seven seasons.



Honorable mention: John Garrett, Brian Walker

#### 7 – William Franklin

An undersized Big Ten center at 6-7, Franklin was declared ineligible late in his senior season (1971-72) when admitting he signed with agent Gary Donna. Franklin was drafted by Golden State but signed with his home state Virginia Squires of the ABA. Franklin played one season in Virginia and two with the San Antonio Spurs.

#### 8 – Willie Merriweather

Drafted by the St. Louis Hawks in 1959, Merriweather bypassed the NBA to become a science teacher.

#### 9 – Mike Searce

The Indiana Pacers drafted “Scooby” Searce 192nd overall in 1982, but the popular Boilermaker did not make the team.

#### 10 – No Boilermaker selected

#### 11 – George Grams

The first 7-footer in Big Ten history went 96th overall to the Los Angeles Lakers in 1966. Grams’ chances at a pro career were adversely affected by Charcot-Marie-Tooth syndrome, a neuromuscular disease he didn’t realize he had until 1984.

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### NBA Starting to Realize Zach Edey Just Might Provide Impact

Days after the Memphis Grizzlies made Zach Edey a potential multimillionaire, the former Purdue center made a good first impression in the NBA Summer League.

Edey forced overtime on a “miracle redirect of an intentionally missed free throw,” according to NBA.com and finished with 14 points, 15 rebounds and four blocked shots in the 97-95 loss to the Utah Jazz on Monday night.

“(Edey) showed that his size should provide an impact from the tip,” according to the NBA.com game report.

The Memphis Commercial-Appeal re-

ported that the 7-4 Edey, the No. 9 pick in last month’s NBA Draft, received a four-year contract worth up to \$26.2 million. The newspaper added that the duration and dollar amount was based on his slot in the first round.

Edey’s unofficial NBA debut lived up to the statement the two-time National Player of the Year made during his introduction to the Grizzlies’ fan base.

“It can be a tough thing when people want to take down your game when you play a certain way,” Edey said of those who may wonder if his impact will transition to the NBA. “At the end of the day, teams put stock into rebounding. Teams put stock into having strength in the paint and all that stuff. But I know who I am. I know what I’m good at, what I can stick to and hang my hat on. There are areas I will improve at this level. The team that wants me wants me for who I am.”

Grizzlies general manager Zach Kleiman plans to make opponents adjust to Edey’s game and not make the 7-4 center play a style that doesn’t fit his skills.

“I’m not going to say Zach’s career is going to be this or that, but we believe he’s going to be a meaningful, impactful player for our group who can help us achieve high-end outcomes,” Kleiman told Grizzlies.com. “Zach is incredibly unique in that you have to deal with him. From a size standpoint, a physicality standpoint, that’s something other teams are going to have to grapple with. Let them figure out how to deal with us. That is something that really intrigued us.”

Before Edey’s first pro game, a couple of ESPN analysts predicted his rookie season statistics.

Kevin Pelton guessed Edey would average 20 minutes, 12 points and 7.5 rebounds per game.

“I ... think Edey might be able to handle more minutes than that, considering the heavy workload he successfully had at Purdue,” Jeremy Woo wrote. “Memphis has the perfect partner for him in Jaren

Jackson Jr., who excels protecting the paint and covering ground on the weak side and should be able to cushion Edey defensively.”

A third ESPN reporter, Jonathan Givony, foresees Edey working well with Memphis’ star player.

“Edey is a dream target for an electric playmaking guard such as Ja Morant to pair with in pick-and-roll actions,” Givony writes. “He sets wide, bruising screens at 7-foot-5, 298 pounds, and is an outstanding target rolling to the paint and catching everything thrown his way with his huge, magnetic hands and 7-foot-11 wingspan.

“He’ll have to continue to improve his conditioning to keep up in transition, but he’ll be ready to make an immediate impact on both ends of the floor. He could even contend for Rookie of the Year honors with the sheer productivity he’s bound to amass next season.”

Edey may have to use part of his NBA money to buy a trophy case large enough for the honors he has received the past two seasons. The latest is repeating as the Big Ten’s Jesse Owens Male Athlete of the Year.

Iowa’s Caitlin Clark also repeated as the female winner.

Edey joins Ohio State wrestler Kyle Snyder (2017, 2018) as the only repeat winners in the 43-year history of the award. Glenn Robinson (1994) and David Boudia (2011) are the other Boilermaker winners of the Jesse Owens award.

Taking their shot

Edey isn’t the only former Boilermaker in the NBA Summer League.

Lance Jones and Dakota Mathias are part of the Indiana Pacers squad that opens play Friday against the Brooklyn Nets.

Jones averaged 11.7 points and a team-high 80 3-pointers to help the Boilermakers reach the national championship game.

Mathias is seeking a return to the NBA,

having played in 14 games with Philadelphia (2020-21) and Memphis (2021-22).

#### Check your radar

I’m not sure how college football’s defensive freshman of the year can be regarded as “an under-the-radar player who will go a long way in determining his team’s success in 2024” but that’s how The Athletic views Purdue safety Dillon Thieneman.

“Can (he) do everything for Purdue on defense this year?,” reporter Scott Dochterman wrote. “Thieneman was the FWAA (Football Writers Association of America) Defensive Freshman of the Year after intercepting six passes and collecting 74 solo stops, leading Purdue in tackles eight times. But teams picked apart the Boilermakers in the transfer portal, especially on defense. To have the same impact this fall, Thieneman will need to improve exponentially.”

The Walter Camp Football Foundation is guessing that will be the case, selecting Thieneman to its Preseason All-America second team. The former Westfield standout also has been selected a preseason All-American by Athlon Sports and Phil Steele.

Making much more sense to be called an “X factor” is new Indiana quarterback Kurtis Rourke.

“The Ohio quarterback transfer was a three-year starter and former MAC Offensive Player of the Year,” recruiting analyst Ari Wasserman writes. “Some fans don’t get excited about MAC transfers, but the quarterback position is the most important in college football, and MACtion watchers know Rourke can spin it. First-year head coach Curt Cignetti’s offensive background should help Rourke transition to a team that has a host of new additions at the skill positions.”

*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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