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## TODAY'S VERSE

Psalm 117:1 & 2 O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD.

## Meet Angel



Angel is an 8 month old female spaniel available for adoption from The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL) since 3/5/24. Angel is all sorts of perfect and would make a great family dog! Angel is a cutie that loves zoomies, going out for walks, frolicking in a fenced yard, and looking adorable. Angel is spayed, dewormed, microchipped, and up to date on all of her shots. Angel is looking for her best friend. Could that be you? Come say hi!

## Butch and His Brother Take a Trip to Town



**BUTCH DALE**  
Columnist

Many of you regular readers know that when my brother Gary and I were young, we often tagged along with our father when he went to town. He usually took a daily break from farming to buy a pack of cigarettes, drink a bottle of Nehi pop, and visit his friends. Many times he also drove the old Dodge truck back to town in the evenings after supper to play cards at the Legion hall or shoot a game of pool at the cigar store.



On one such evening in the summer of 1960, Gary and I took a seat at the poolroom and watched Dad chalk up his pool cue for a game. I was 11 years old, and my brother was 8.

There were five or six other "regular loafers" also watching, as Dad was an expert pool player. I don't recall anyone ever beating him, but someone was always willing to give it a shot. One of the men sitting there was another farmer who I knew quite well. He lived near us, was married, and had three sons who were slightly older than me. He kept a little bottle in his hip pocket, and every so often he pulled it out and took a swig. After a half hour or so, he told my brother and me that he was going to

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## Mayor Barton Schedules 135th Forum

Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton is good at keeping promises.

When he was elected mayor he said he would keep the lines of communication open between his office and the citizens.

And he has. The 135th monthly community forum is scheduled for Tuesday beginning at 4 p.m. at his office, 300 E. Pike St. Other than a brief period during the pandemic, Barton has held these open community meetings every month. Some have been held at City Hall, but most have been around and about town.

If you have something you want to talk to the mayor about, Tuesday is your chance.

## Fallout Over Olympics and Diverse Lifestyles



**TIM TIMMONS**  
Two Cents

Like a lot of people, I was outraged at the opening ceremonies of the Olympics. In fact, I was going to rant and rave a week ago in this space, but what was it we were taught as youngsters – stop, take a breath, count to 10 . . .

OK.

With the games just a few days from the closing ceremonies (wonder how many are holding their breath for that!), AND with

the controversy not dying down even a little, please let me add my two cents (pun intended) to the fray.

First, if anyone believes the cockamamie story from Thomas Jolly -- the artistic director who orchestrated the production -- then I have some land I'd like to sell you. By now you have seen the videos and clips and his non-apology apology. He has said that there was no intention of making a mockery of the Last Supper and that if we thought that, well, we're just wrong. Thing is, according to that treasure

trove of information (the Internet), members of his team have said that's not true -- there were plenty of references to the Last Supper during planning and rehearsals.

Maybe. Maybe not. But let's play his silly game and assume there was absolutely no intention to tick off a quarter of the planet's population and mock Christianity. OK. Then someone explain to me how during rehearsals, camera shots and what surely had to be endless hours of

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## Chamber Award Nomination Deadline Friday

The deadline for nominating members who have made outstanding achievements and contributions in their community is quickly approaching. Categories for nominations are small business, large business, entrepreneur, community organization, woman of the year, champion of change and rising star. The

recipients will be announced and presented at the Chamber Award Banquet on Thursday, Sept. 5, at Stone Creek Lodge.

The keynote speaker is Jacob Szumski, a young entrepreneur and owner of Greek's Pizzeria in downtown Crawfordsville.

The meet and greet begins at 5 p.m. followed by dinner at 6 before the presentations begin.

Registration is open for sponsoring a table or individual seats. The event is expected to sell out so don't hesitate to make your

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## The Case For Reading Left, Right, Center



The League of Women Voters, open to men as well as women, is a nonpartisan, multi-issue political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government. For information about the Montgomery County LWV, visit: www.lwvmont.com or message to LWV, PO Box 101, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

Headlines are often clickbait, often written by an editor, rather than an article's author, meant to tease readers. They can signal the angle or bias of a story, but not always. Here's a challenge.

Scan and ponder these four headlines:

"The Risk That Josh Shapiro Could Pose to Kamala Harris' Campaign"

"Some House Republicans slam Vance as Trump's VP pick: 'The worst choice'"

"Promising To Restore 'Law and Order,' Trump Falsely Claims Crime Is Rising"

"JD Vance Referred to Interracial Marriages as 'Two-Colored' in 2021"

What questions, doubts, reactions arise? Notice these, maybe write them down. We're often so busy we often bypass that little voice in the back of our heads. Do you think you can discern the political bias of the article or its publishing source?

"The Risk That Josh Shapiro Could Pose to Kamala Harris' Campaign" is from Slate, which media bias organizations adfontesmedia.com and allsides.com assess as a far left-biased news organization.

"Some House Republicans slam Vance as Trump's VP pick: 'The worst choice'" is from The Hill, a source that allsides.com labels as center.

Meanwhile, adfontesmedia.com rates it as just slightly left of center,

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## TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you're trying to lose weight, keep a food diary and calculate what you're actually eating each day -- there are apps for that!

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** The Indianapolis International Airport recently got \$26.6 million from the Federal Aviation Administration in a seventh round of Airport Infrastructure Grants. Indy was one of the largest among airports selected to receive the latest round of funding. The funding will be applied to the reconstruction of Runway 5R-23L and Taxiway D to improve safety. The runway is at the center of the IAA's three-year, three-phase \$295 million reconstruction project to enhance IND's capacity.

**2** As students head back to the classroom, state and local law enforcement agencies are reminding motorists to be on the lookout for school bus stop arms. Patrols are out and about as part of the Stop Arm Violation Enforcement campaign -- better known as SAVE. These patrols are funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through grants administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. Despite thousands of motorists being cited under the SAVE program, unsafe driving around school buses continues to be a serious danger to children, according to the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services. In April, thousands of bus drivers who participated in a one-day observational survey counted 1,574 stop-arm violations in Indiana. Projected across a 180-day school year, this survey data points to a potential 283,320 violations throughout the school year.

**3** Indiana has made another top 10 list, but this one isn't so good. A new study shows which states are most addicted to smoking, based on the percentage of residents attempting to quit. Indiana ranks 10th for smoking addiction, with a low percentage of current smokers trying to quit. The study, conducted by vape manufacturer Yocan Vaporizer, utilized the most recent smoking cessation data from the American Lung Association. The top three states? Kentucky, Maine and West Virginia.

## TODAY'S QUOTE

"It's our job as Christians to lead with grace, but land with truth."  
Riley Gaines

## TODAY'S JOKE

Back in the day the teacher asked our boss where the Declaration of Independence was signed. He reportedly had to think about it and then, like a light bulb going off, brightened up and said "At the bottom!"  
You should feel sorry for us. Very sorry!

## MONTGOMERY MINUTE

It may not be Christmas in July (or August), but planning for the annual Chamber Christmas Parade is already under way. The good folks at the Chamber get calls every summer asking for the theme of the Christmas Parade. This year is "Songs of Christmas." The parade is the second Sunday of the month, so Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville. Sponsors include HHSB, Lakeside Books, Tri-County Bank & Trust, CEL&P, Acuity, Stevenson's Hardware and Allen Monument.



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## Allen Truck Sales Marks 20-Year Anniversary



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The staff at Allen Truck Sales is celebrating 20 years of business.

Allen Truck Sales, a cornerstone of the Midwest's trucking industry, marks a significant milestone this month as it celebrates two decades of service excellence and community partnership. Since its inception in 2004 by John and Mitch Allen, Allen Truck Sales has grown from humble beginnings into a leading provider of quality heavy-duty trucks and services.

Over the past 20 years, Allen Truck Sales has been dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of service, deeply understanding customer needs, and ensuring reliability in every transaction. "Our mission has always been to offer top-quality trucks at fair prices, ensuring that our clients receive the best value and service in the industry," said Mitch Allen, co-founder.

"Working at Allen Truck Sales has always been about more than just selling trucks; it's about building trust and exceeding expectations," said Jeremy Lewis, sales manager and co-owner. "Every vehicle we deliver is a promise of quality, backed by our

team's unwavering commitment to our clients."

Allen Truck Sales' team, a diverse group of dedicated professionals, is at the heart of the company's operations. Each team member plays a critical role in the company's success, contributing to a collective expertise that spans across sales, maintenance, and customer service.

As they celebrate this 20-year milestone, Allen Truck Sales looks forward to continuing its tradition of excellence.

"We're excited about what the future holds," said John Allen. "We've adapted through two decades of industry changes and are ready for the challenges and opportunities the next 20 years will bring."

Allen Truck Sales extends its heartfelt thanks to its loyal customers and dedicated employees, whose trust and commitment have been integral to their success.

For more information, contact them at (765) 364-0828 or at [AllenTruckSales.com](http://AllenTruckSales.com).

## Sen. Deery Gives Update



**SPENCER DEERY**  
 Guest Columnist

Next week, I am going to launch a program I've wanted to start for quite a while:

"Mobile Open Office Hours." I work for you, and that's obviously easier to do if you know me and I know you. That is one of the reasons I attend as many county fairs, festivals, and annual dinners as I can, but I would like to cast an even wider net and reach different segments of the population as well.

That's why I have decided to start occasionally announcing times when anyone can stop by to tell me what's on their mind and how I can help. Watch this space or my Facebook account for more opportunities in other counties.

If you would like to talk to me about concerns you may have, please call my office at (317) 232-9517 to fill out a request for assistance or to share your thoughts on the issues important to you.

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**SENATE REPUBLICANS**  
 Offering Paid Spring Internships

The Indiana Senate Republican Caucus is offering paid spring-semester internships in our communications, information technology, legal, legislative, page and policy offices during the 2025 session of the Indiana General Assembly.

Qualified candidates may be of any major and must be at least a college sophomore. Recent college graduates, as well as graduate and law school students, are also encouraged to apply.

Interns earn a \$900 biweekly stipend and benefit from scholarship and academic credit opportunities, professional development, community involvement and networking.

Senate internships are

## Crawfordsville Student Earns Bachelor's Degree

Katherine Baird, Crawfordsville, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Intercultural Std-Missiology from Cedarville University.

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 5,456 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 150 areas of

full-time positions at the Statehouse in downtown Indianapolis that typically begin with a mandatory orientation in late December or early January and conclude at the end of the legislative session in April 2025.

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**2024 STATE FAIR**  
 Discounts

The 2024 Indiana State Fair is under way and includes many family friendly things to see and do that celebrate our state.

This year's fair includes many discounts so you can focus on enjoying the festivities.

Some of this year's discounts include the following promotions.

- \$2 Tuesdays (\$2 gate admission, \$2 rides and \$2 food options at each food stand) on Aug. 13.
- BMV Discount Day, which includes \$8 fair admission with a printed or digital voucher from [IN.gov/BMV](http://IN.gov/BMV), will occur on Aug. 8.
- Other deals include the \$5 Value Menu and a variety of entertainment acts at the Hoosier Lottery Free Stage.

This year's fair runs through Aug. 18 and is closed on Mondays.

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**SENATE DISTRICT 23**  
 INDOT Update

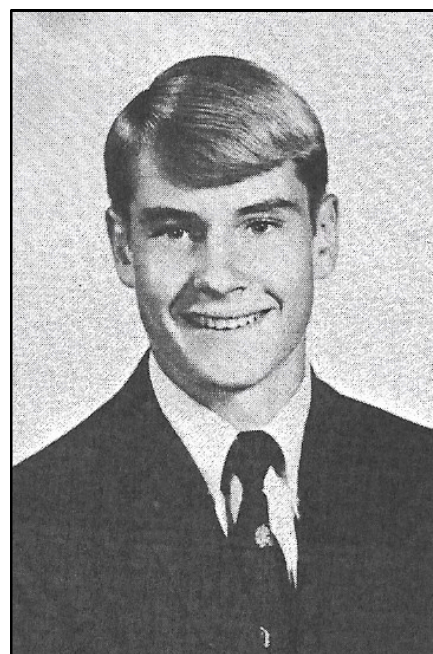
Chip seal work will take place along U.S. 136 and U.S. 41 in Warren and Fountain counties starting as early as Monday, Aug. 12.

The work will take place on U.S. 136 between the west side of Veedersburg and the Indiana/Illinois state line. However, the work will not occur through Covington.

Along U.S. 41, chip sealing will take place from the U.S. 136 intersection in Veedersburg to just south of County Road 200 North.

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 1970 Ladoga Grad?

**HINT:**  
 He was an excellent athlete and really excelled in golf!

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# New Look for Library and Museum



**MEGAN TAYLOR**  
Guest Columnist



**THERESA TYNER**  
Guest Columnist

of this separate site, which is fresh, inviting, and full of information on current and upcoming events and exhibits. You can find it at [carnegie-museum.in.gov](http://carnegie-museum.in.gov).

Along with the new websites, the library and museum worked together with 1909 Digital to create new logos for each entity and a shared branding color palette. The museum's colors are bright and exciting, and the new logo combines those colors in triangular panes within a Kelly green arched window shape that echoes the shape of the museum's windows. This design, while fun and modern, also honors the history of the Carnegie building.

The library's colors are on the more softened end of the palette, with the principal color a medium shade of teal. The new logo contains a "C" created from flared shapes resembling opening book pages or flower petals along with the name of the library. The logo illustrates the continual growth and openness vital to anticipating and filling the needs of the community.

For information about the museum's services, exhibits, programs and memberships, visit the museum's website at [carnegiemuseum.in.gov](http://carnegiemuseum.in.gov) or call (765) 362-4618. The museum's regular open hours are Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

To learn more about the library's services and programs, visit the library's website at [crawfordsvillelibrary.in.gov](http://crawfordsvillelibrary.in.gov) or call (765) 362-2242. The library's regular open hours are Monday-Thursday 9 am-9 pm, Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 1-5 p.m.

*Megan Taylor is Assistant Manager in the Adult Services Department.*

*Theresa Tyner is the Director of Library Services at Crawfordsville District Public Library.*

For the past several months, the Crawfordsville District Public Library and Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County have been working with Indianapolis-based 1909 Digital to redesign the library's website, create a brand new site for the museum, and design meaningful and modern new logos for each. We are happy to announce that both websites are now live and ready to explore.

You can find the library's new website at [crawfordsvillelibrary.in.gov](http://crawfordsvillelibrary.in.gov). Here you will see our new logo and colors throughout the pages and discover a more streamlined experience with a modern design, easier access to mobile printing, and more accessibility features. Our popular services are showcased as well so that you don't have to go digging to find what you need. Get a library card, discover our latest arrivals, and see what all we have to offer. Want to explore all the digital content that comes free with your CDPL card? Everything from Ancestry Online to Libby to Transparent Languages can be found together on one Digital Resources page, accessible directly from the home screen.

Navigating the website through a mobile device is now a more enjoyable experience, with access to the catalog, your library account, and mobile printing all visible at the top of the home screen.

The Carnegie Museum has its own site as well after years of providing news and information via a few basic pages within the library's website. Because our museum has so much to share and showcase, the library board approved the creation

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working and planning that someone, anyone didn't stop and say: "Hey, I may not be the smartest guy in the room, but I'm thinking this looks a little like Jesus and the Apostles."

No intention my big ol' butt!

Even worse though was what Jolly's cheap and ill-advised stunt did to today's world.

Let me start with I do not agree with a gay lifestyle. I especially do not agree when it comes to children, trans and young people.

My take is pretty simple – I subscribe to a biblical view of what a man is, what a woman is and what physical relations between them are OK. That said, I have friends – good friends – who are gay.

How does that balance?

Easy. Their life and what they do with it is none of my business. I mean c'mon, we're talking about a pretty big subject, but when it gets right down to it – how is this any different from other things that our friends do or don't do? I don't agree with smoking. But I have friends who do. I don't agree with road rage. But I have one friend in particular who . . . well, never mind.

There are any number of things we do, and others do, that are purely our or their business. I'm pretty sure their rights and opinions are just as valid as mine or yours. And speaking of that biblical world view – I'm also pretty sure there's nowhere in the good book where Jesus is

asking me to pinch-hit for Him when it comes to judging. Talk about above my pay grade!

That said, a lot of folks who have similar views to mine have been getting pretty fed up over the last few years. It feels like we are getting the LGBTQ jumbled alphabet shoved down our throats. We are told we have to be tolerant, accepting, loving. OK, I can get behind all of those concepts . . . except there are those on the jumbled alphabet side who are a lot louder and a lot more abrasive. Those folks – God love 'em – don't tolerate my Christian beliefs at all. I thought tolerance was supposed to work two ways. Apparently not.

So the tension and the resentment has been growing.

On. Both. Sides. And what did Jolly's show do? He single-handedly made that gap wider. A lot wider.

Look, I will continue to disagree with a lifestyle I believe is wrong – and I will continue to love and support my friends who choose to follow it. Who will ultimately be right or wrong isn't my call or theirs – it's just all of our jobs to do the best we can while we're here.

Too bad Thomas Jolly didn't live up to that.

*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](mailto:ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com).*

## AWARD

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**The best of the best are recognized every year by our local Chamber.**

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his event is for members of the Crawfordsville | Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce. Nominations and nominees must be a current member in good standing. To make nominations, visit our website:

[crawfordsvillechamber.com](http://crawfordsvillechamber.com) and click on Award Banquet under the Membership tab. To register for our event, use the Events & News Tab and click Chamber

The Chamber wishes to thank sponsors: Venue Sponsor is Stone Creek Lodge, Award Sponsors are Acuity Brands, Tri-County Bank & Trust, Lakeside Book Company, Hoosier Heartland State Bank and Duke Energy.

Contact the Chamber at (765) 362-6800 with questions. The deadline for nominating for the awards is Friday.

## BUTCH

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Crawfordsville, and he asked us if we wanted to ride along. "Sure, we'll go!" Dad trusted him and gave us permission. We hopped in the bed of the man's pickup, stood up behind the cab, and enjoyed the breeze on that hot and humid evening as he headed west out of Darlington.

It was a 25 minute drive to Crawfordsville. As the sun was setting, he pulled into a trailer park and shut off the engine. "You boys stay here in the truck...I'll be back in a few minutes." We watched as a woman, dressed in a nightgown, welcomed him inside the house trailer. We saw the two of them through the trailer window, talking to each other for a minute or two, and then they both disappeared from sight. My brother and I sat there in the bed of the truck. We talked, swatted mosquitos, and soon were bored. We waited...and waited...and waited. It became dark outside, and we began to be worried that something was wrong.

Forty-five minutes later, the middle-aged farmer finally came out of the trailer. The woman smiled and waved good-bye, "Hope to see you real soon again!" Well, we were very curious, and my brother piped up, "What were you doing in there?" The man lit a cigarette, smiled, and said, "Well boys, always remember this...If you can't get any good cooking at home, you have to go out and eat."

At our young age, neither my brother or I had any idea what he was talking about, so my brother then quizzed him further, "You mean you have to drive all the way to Crawfordsville to have supper?" The man took a swig from his bottle, "Boys, I'll tell you all about it when you're a little older," and we headed back to Darlington.

Yes, when I was older, Dad explained to me what was going on. The fellow was married, but was having an affair. The woman was

his high school sweetheart who was divorced. It had been going on for many years. His wife knew all about it, and was not concerned. I knew the man's wife. She did not appear to be the "lovable type." She had bore him three children, and evidently concluded that her love-making days were over. His were not. Dad said that she was actually pleased that there was one less "chore" for her to do. Sure seemed strange to me.

Through the years, I discovered that there were other men and women in our little community who had the same "arrangement." Most people knew, but they didn't talk about it. Many of these couples were regular churchgoers. There were also women whose husbands were boring and inconsiderate "duds" who showed no love or affection. Like some unfaithful husbands, these women sought affection elsewhere. But surprisingly, back in those days very few married couples divorced. They had taken a vow and remained together till "death do us part," unlike today in which the divorce rate hovers around 50 percent.

I realize that there are all types of marriages...some happy, some not so happy, some pretending to be happy, some downright crazy. And there are also both men and women who would smile and turn themselves in to the police after they shot a spouse who they had caught cheating.

I will never forget that trip to town in the summer of 1960. Nope, they sure didn't teach things like that in school.

*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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### Answer: Dave Williamson

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comparable to Sky News.

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Does any of this surprise you? Which source are you most likely to trust? Is there one that you'd read with a more critical, skeptical eye? With distrust in institutions at a notable high, people frequently avoid or discredit newspapers or news media that don't fit the filter they use to make sense of what is happening in the world. Too busy to read all 922 pages of Project 2025, a party's platform, or the nuances of a case like the Delphi murders, we turn to reporters and columnists to distill the key points. But when a competing claim surfaces, we are forced to reckon with which source to trust.

Beth Lindsay, Research and Instruction Librarian at Wabash College, advocates that you SIFT. Taken from Mike Caulfield and Sam Wineburg's book Verified: How to Think Straight, Get Less Duped, and Make Better Decisions about What to Believe Online, SIFT is an acronym to help you navigate bias.

The S is for stop. Stop and consider how a headline or article makes you feel and if "it seems designed to elicit strong emotion (especially anger)?" said Lindsay. "Is this a topic with which I am already

quite familiar and thus have a well-informed opinion, or is it something I'm less familiar with, and would need to learn more to help me form an opinion?"

I stands for investigate before reading. Lindsay emphasizes that you should do this before reading because that's before you form an opinion. Who wrote the story or news script? Who pays for it? When was it written / recorded? Where and by whom? Is it non-profit or for profit?

With so many people turning to social media for information, it can be challenging to investigate. Social media includes a lot of "common folk" offering up their opinions, hoping to influence the rest of us. In fact, that's a rhetorical tactic called appeal to common folk where the speaker purports to be "just one of us" and a "voice for common sense." It's worth asking, what is their motive? Do they believe themselves influencers? Are we listening to them because we want to learn or because we want to be affirmed in our point of view?

When you stumble across a new source or voice, it's worth cross-checking the facts, quotes and experts they cite. The News Literacy Project acknowledges that bias seeps into even the most well-intentioned reporters, thinkers and publishing organizations.

If your inner alarm system triggers, consider the possibility of "bias creep." Bias in reporting takes a variety of forms. We've indirectly addressed partisan bias (the leaning of the writer

and organization) and corporate bias (who pays for it). In demographic bias, the writer caters to his audience to please them. This can even lead to being "too neutral" and omitting key details for the audience's sake.

There's also coverage bias. The old "If it bleeds, it leads" rule of thumb comes to mind. When news rooms focus on violent crime because it's sensational, it can provoke people to believe that violent crime is overtaking their city, state or nation, even if police data shows it is dropping overall.

Finding better coverage challenges us to ask, "who is in a better position to know?" Trace those quotes and claims to the original source and check if they've been lifted out of context. How do they sound if lifted out of the sentence around them? If they were spoken aloud, how does the tone of voice affect you? Is it sarcastic, honest and straightforward? Is it challenging or targeted?

"What I love about SIFT is that it is \*very\* quick, AND, once you have confidence in a source, you don't need to continue the process," said Lindsay. "So, for example, while no source is perfect, I have relatively more confidence in accuracy from The Wall Street Journal versus an online news outlet I've never heard of and can't find out anything about their ownership structure or editorial process."

It's important to notice when we're in a bubble, filtering out voices we disagree with, and not doing due diligence to

see how other people are framing a story, if quotes have been taken out of context, or if facts have been omitted or misconstrued. Lindsay notes that when we're motivated, we do the research and evaluate our sources.

"People already do it in their everyday lives, like when they want to buy sneakers or a new phone," said Lindsay.

"We used to have a poster in the newsroom that read 'If your mother tells you she loves you, get a second source.' That's basic journalism 101. No matter what you heard or read, get a second source. It's difficult to go to one source and get the complete story," said Tim Timmons, editor of The Paper of Montgomery County and the Times of Noblesville.

Early in his career Timmons recalled an editor teaching him that "when you cover a story, you should see a blank chalkboard. Draw a line and put everything about one side of the story on the left side, then everything on the other side on the right. We all used to try to do this. Somewhere along the line, our industry moved away from it."

Timmons acknowledged that the news industry has changed. Over 2,500 news organizations have closed since 2005, including 360 since the pandemic. Though he has written in his column that he might vote for Trump, he also faulted Trump for much of the loss of reliable news.

"We owe a lot of this to Trump because he started drawing lines in the sand and putting people on one side or

the other and telling everybody that it was all fake news because he didn't like it or he didn't agree with it. He trashed everything, and he made it hard on everybody. Now we've lost over 2,000 newspapers in this country, and the bottom line is that has made it harder to find reliable news."

The onus is on us. Buyer beware, so we've been cautioned. That can be quite accurate for larger media outlets, which have cut reporting staff and are often too far removed from the story to get the best sources and understand the context. One bright spot, Timmons noted, are local papers, if we support them. They are often the best positioned to report accurately.

"When you write your story, you try to make sure you have balance, so that both sides are represented," as Timmons said the industry once did. He admitted he might be biased, but he thinks small town papers are still aiming for that.

"I think we're pretty good at not slanting things to our perspective," he noted. Maybe it's because locally people are less polarized and maybe it's because small town papers can't afford to disenfranchise half their readership.

Of course, we need national, regional and local news to maintain our ability to self-govern well. If we want a less polarized nation and to feel less duped, reading widely matters.

Note: We invited the editors of both papers in Montgomery County an opportunity to share how they navigate bias. We did not hear back from Tina McGrady.

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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MONTGOMERY SUPERIOR COURT )  
 ) SS:  
 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY CAUSE NO. 54D01-2403-MF-000262 )  
 UNIVERSITY BANK )  
 Plaintiff, )  
 VS. )  
 CHRISTOPHER C. MILLER A/K/A CHRISTOPHER MILLER )  
 HOOSIER HEARTLAND STATE BANK )  
 Defendants. )  
 NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION )  
 TO: Christopher C. Miller a/k/a Christopher Miller )  
 Plaintiff, by counsel, hereby gives Notice of the Complaint filed in the )  
 Montgomery Superior Court against the above-named Defendant. Plaintiff )  
 also filed an Affidavit of a competent person showing that the residence and )  
 whereabouts of Defendant, Christopher C. Miller a/k/a Christopher Miller, upon )  
 diligent inquiry are unknown. The cause of action is for default on a promissory )  
 note and foreclosure upon a mortgage on the following described real estate:  
 LEGAL DESCRIPTION ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A"  
 State Parcel #: 54-10-05-444-028.000-030  
 Address: 1216 Mill St, Crawfordsville, IN 47933  
 Therefore, said Defendant is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of )  
 said Complaint and that unless Defendant files an answer within (30) days of the )  
 last publication of this notice, )  
 default judgment may be entered against said Defendant for the relief )  
 sought in the Complaint. )  
 /s/ Brian K. Tekulve )  
 LOGS Legal Group LLP )  
 Brian Tekulve (30882-49) )  
 C. Wesley Pagles (37185-49) )  
 4805 Montgomery Road, Suite 320 )  
 Norwood, OH 45212 )  
 Phone: (513) 396-8100 )  
 Fax: (847) 627-8805 )  
 Email: logsoik@logs.com )  
 6/14/2024 )  
 Dated )  
 Montgomery Superior Clerk, Court )  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**CRAWFORDSVILLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**  
 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Crawfordsville will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, in the Common Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Municipal Building, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana, to hear the request for an administrative appeal ruling regarding a City Zoning Ordinance violation concerning a home occupation in a R-2, residential zoning district.  
 The property location: 410 Wallace Avenue, Crawfordsville, Indiana (Parcel No: 54-10-05-112-069.000-030)  
 The petition is on file and available for examination (and purchase at cost) in the Department of Planning & Building Services on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Building, 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (765.364.5152); office hours are 8:00-12:00 noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m., weekdays except holidays.  
 The public is invited to attend the hearing and to comment on the proposed request. Oral comments concerning the request will be heard. Written comments and objections to the requests may also be submitted to the Director of Planning & Building Services, City of Crawfordsville, at the address above prior to the hearing and will be considered.  
 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if anyone wishes to attend, hear or present evidence at the public hearing and is in need of reasonable accommodation, please contact the Crawfordsville Department of Planning & Building Services at the address or phone number above so accommodation can be made.  
 Department of Planning & Building Services  
 Megan Huckstep, Director, City of Crawfordsville  
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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.  
 More commonly known as: 214 Whitlock Ave, Crawfordsville, IN 47933  
 Parcel No. : 07-32-442-093.000-030  
 Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.  
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 Doyle & Foutty, P.C.  
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 Carmen N. Clark  
 214 Whitlock Ave  
 Crawfordsville, IN 47933  
 MANNER OF SERVICE: Sheriff  
 Skylar Muckway  
 30 S. Meridian Street, Suite 900  
 Indianapolis, IN 46204  
 MANNER OF SERVICE: Certified Mail  
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 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Crawfordsville will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, in the Common Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Municipal Building, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana, to hear the request for a special exception from the schedule of uses of the City Zoning Ordinance to allow a second single-family dwelling on a single parcel in an R-1, residential zoning district.  
 The property location: 320 S Elm Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana (Parcel No: 54-10-05-334-002.000-030)  
 The petition is on file and available for examination (and purchase at cost) in the Department of Planning & Building Services on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Building, 300 East Pike Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (765.364.5152); office hours are 8:00-12:00 noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m., weekdays except holidays.  
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 Department of Planning & Building Services  
 Megan Huckstep, Director, City of Crawfordsville  
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**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
 By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me, directed from the Clerk of Montgomery Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54C01-2203-MF-000217, wherein PennyMac Loan Services, LLC was Plaintiff, and Richard E. Zachary III and Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. were Defendants, required 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.  
 LOT NUMBERED 3 IN HARVEY B. SAYLORS ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF NEW MARKET, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INDIANA, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 28, 1956 IN DEED RECORD 163 PAGE 30 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INDIANA.  
 More commonly known as 200 Vine St, New Market, IN 47965-5032  
 Parcel No. 11-36-444-041.000-031  
 Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.  
 /s/ BRYAN K. REDMOND  
 BRYAN K. REDMOND, Plaintiff Attorney  
 Attorney # 22108-29  
 FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.  
 8415 Allison Pointe Blvd., Suite 400  
 Indianapolis, IN 46250  
 Ryan Needham, Sheriff  
 Union Township  
 The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.  
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**SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**  
 STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE MONTGOMERY CIRCUIT COURT )  
 ) SS:  
 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY ) CAUSE NO. 54C01-2405-MF-000512 )  
 WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FS, )  
 NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY )  
 AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF CSMC 2020-RPL3 TRUST, )  
 Plaintiff, )  
 vs. )  
 SHON FRENCH A/K/A SHON M. HEDGE and )  
 SPRINGCASTLE CREDIT FUNDING TRUST, )  
 THROUGH ITS TRUSTEE WILMINGTON TRUST, )  
 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, )  
 Defendants. )  
**NOTICE OF SUIT**  
 The State of Indiana to the Defendant(s) above named, and any other person who may be concerned.  
 You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is:  
 Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate  
 Against the property commonly known as 4690 W State Road 234, Crawfordsville, IN 47933-8216 and described as follows:  
 THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INDIANA  
 MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: CONSIDERING THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER AS BEARING NORTH 89 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 31 SECONDS WEST WITH ALL THE BEARINGS CONTAINED HEREIN RELATIVE THERETO COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH QUARTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION 9, THENCE ON AND ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 9, NORTH 89 DEGREES, 18 MINUTES, 31 SECONDS WEST 682.77 FEET TO A MAG NAIL, SAME BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE ON AND ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, NORTH 89 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 31 SECONDS WEST 183.40 FEET TO A MAG NAIL, THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 53 SECONDS WEST 233.54 FEET TO A 5/8" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE, SOUTH 88 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST 193.71 FEET TO A 5/8" REBAR WITH CAP, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST 229.84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL CONTAINS 1.00 ACRE MORE OR LESS AND IS SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF STATE ROAD #234 AND ALL EASEMENTS AND RIGHT-OF-WAYS OF RECORD.  
 This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendants: Springcastle Credit Funding Trust, through its Trustee Wilmington Trust, National Association  
 This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant whose whereabouts are unknown: Shon French a/k/a Shon M. Hedge  
 If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response.  
 You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded, by the Plaintiff.  
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 By /s/ Matthew S. Love  
 MATTHEW S. LOVE  
 Attorney No. 18762-29  
 Attorney for Plaintiff  
 MATTHEW S. LOVE  
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# Phone Scam Hits Montgomery County

Telephone scammers never seem to let up, and now they have the audacity to try to use law enforcement.



A phone scam is currently going on where callers say they are from the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department and either have a warrant or that there is some sort of civil proceeding and they need an immediate payment. The caller says that the person answering the phone can avoid either an arrest or some other negative outcome by making a payment via credit card over the phone.

county as well. In addition, McCarty said they do not call citizens to inform them that they have warrants for their arrest, and do not call citizens to inform them that they have pending criminal charges.

He reiterated that the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office want citizens to know that they do not and will not call individuals requesting money or payment regarding criminal or civil proceedings.

They ask that if anyone receives a call of this nature and has questions to please contact the Montgomery County Central Communications Center at (765) 362-3300 and request to speak with a deputy from the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office.

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# Applications Open for Main Street

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs recently announced applications are now open for the 2025 Indiana Main Street program.

"Indiana Main Street communities have been key in developing rural Indiana and improving quality of life across our state," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "Applying to join the Indiana Main Street program is one way Hoosier towns and cities can prioritize community development, downtown revitalization, fostering a pride of place and more."

Indiana communities that attended a Main Street 101 training in 2024 are eligible to apply for the OCRA Downtown Affiliate Network level.

Communities currently at the ODAN level that completed any required waiting periods are eligible to apply to the next level, the Aspiring-IAMS one-year program. To learn more about the Indiana Main Street levels, visit [in.gov/ocra/mainstreet](http://in.gov/ocra/mainstreet).

"Our Indiana Main Street organizations receive a variety of tools and resources to help their communities thrive," said OCRA Executive Director Duke Bennett. "So far from 2024 reports, we can already see great private and public investment numbers, business growth and successful public improvement projects in communities with Main Street organizations."

Communities seeking the ODAN level must submit

their Letter of Intent and achieve all baseline requirements by 12 p.m. ET on Oct. 31, 2024. Communities seeking the Aspiring-IAMS level must submit their Letter of Intent and application by 12 p.m. ET on Dec. 31, 2024.

Current Aspiring-IAMS and IAMS organizations should reach out to the Indiana Main Street senior program manager to learn more about moving to the next Indiana Main Street level.

For more information, visit [in.gov/ocra/mainstreet/](http://in.gov/ocra/mainstreet/) or reach out to the regional OCRA community liaison, which can be found at [in.gov/ocra/community-liaisons/](http://in.gov/ocra/community-liaisons/).

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