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TODAY'S VERSE

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

Meet Josie



Josie is a 5 year old female rottweiler available for adoption from The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL) since 6/18/24 . Josie loves going out for walks, looking cute, and nice comfy beds. Josie is gentle, soft, and non-reactive (at all) to the shelter environment. No barking, crate trained = virtually no mess. Josie has EXCELLENT LEASH MANNERS! ..Quite possibly the BEST WALKER in the entire shelter! She's a doll! Josie will stay right by your side on walks and is very attentive. Josie is all sorts of perfect and a staff favorite! Josie would make a great family dog! Josie is spayed, microchipped, dewormed, and up to date on all of her shots. Josie is looking for her best friend. Could that be you? We're open Monday - Friday from 12:15p-5p and Saturday's from 9:30a-3p. Come say hi, snuggle cats, walk dogs, or lend a helping hand!!

Southmont Homecoming Court. Photo courtesy Southmont High School. With fall usually comes festivals, mums, cooler weather and, of course, Homecoming! Southmont will celebrate this wonderful tradition at coronation during halftime of Friday's football game against Sagamore Athletic Conference foe Danville. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. The Mounties are coming off a county and SAC win over Crawfordsville last week. Pictured above, front row from left, Freshman Attendant Zoe Arthur, Sophomore Attendant Layla Shaw, Queen Candidates Jenna Grino, Caeleigh Reinken, Mallory Leach, Mallory Mason, Caitlyn Himes and Junior Attendant Jolie Hoenshell. Back Row from left, Sophomore Attendant Landon Grimes, King Candidates Samuel Becerril, Lucas Oppy, Hunter Gray, Vincent Reimondo, Logan Albertson and Junior Attendant Gavin Downy. (Not pictured: Freshman Attendant - Maxwell Myers)

Mayor Forum This Friday

Crawfordsville Mayor Barton is opening the doors to a public discussion once again.

As he has done 134 other times since taking office, Barton will be hosting his Community Forum. September's edition takes place Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Mayor's Office at 300 E. Pike Street.

The mayor's forums are open to the public. Anyone can come ask questions, discuss concerns and learn more about anything regarding the city.

Why Fed's Studies Distribution of Resources

Stocks rallied last week after the Federal Reserve (or the Fed, as it's known for short) took a larger-than-expected step on Sept. 18, cutting interest rates by a percentage point. Generally, more "hawkish" about keeping interest rates high to fight inflation, Fed Governor Michelle Bowman dissented, a sign that the voting board does not suffer from "group think," said ING economist James Knightley.

At the press conference following the decision to cut interest rates, Fed Chair Jerome Powell indicated that the board had recalibrated their policy stance to both maintain growth in the labor market and move inflation to a sustainable, lower rate of 2 percent.

The question for most Americans is how this will help them. The Fed's previous moves to increase interest rates starting in March 2022 negatively impacted people's ability to take out home

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You Asked About Hammer, Bubba . . .

A few weeks ago, I shared in this space that some of you have asked about my old pals, Honest Hoosier, John Hammer and Bubba Castiron . . . and why you haven't heard much from them of late.

So I foolishly said that if you wanted to catch up with the boys to let me know and I'd see what I could do. Silly guy!

You responded in droves (not sure what exactly a drove is anyway, but you sure bombarded my email). Shelly from Sheridan wrote and said that she really misses John Hammer.

"Mr. Timmons, In these times with everyone so divided I

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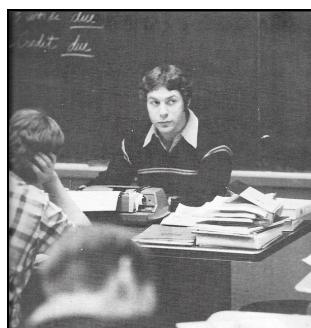
Butch Recalls Teaching A Great Group of Kids



BUTCH DALE Columnist

After I had returned to Purdue and earned my teacher's license, I began teaching at Darlington in the fall of 1972.

I had been a student there all 12 years, graduating in 1966, so it was just like coming home. I taught 5th, 6th, and 7th grade social studies and elementary PE. My little sister was in my 7th grade class, and my little brother was in my PE class...and Dad was a bus driver and the school custodian! My high school principal, Randy Quimby,



was still in charge, and my favorite junior high teacher, Anna Faye Stevenson, still taught English and math in the room next to mine. Former beloved teacher Lucille Cox, along with two of my favorite elementary school teachers, Audrey Cox and her sister Tessie Stwalley, often substituted,

and it was always great to see them again...and yes, all three ladies still gave me hugs!

Because of the large number of students at that time, most of the grades had been divided up into two classes. However, the students in my sixth grade class were still together as one class...a total of 32 pupils. The great thing about teaching then was that I knew the parents of each student. Here is the class roster: Carol Mullen, Susie Alexander, Roger Smith, Billy Hollingsworth,

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Brush or rinse your teeth after eating sugary foods.

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

"I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination." Jimmy Dean

TODAY'S JOKE

What do you call a fly without wings? A walk.

MONTGOMERY MINUTE

As part of Suicide Awareness Month, the Volunteers for Mental Health and the Youth Service Bureau have slated a free suicide walk at Milligan Park at 9:30 on Sept. 28. To register and receive a t-shirt, visit https://secure.givelively.org/event/montgomery-county-youth-services-bureau-inc/montgomery-county-suicide-prevention-walk-2024. A registration button is also found at the Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau webpage. Questions about the walk may be directed to Sara Clapp at YSB, (765) 362-0694 - extension 102, or by email: sara@mcysb.org

THREE THINGS You Should Know

- 1 The second round of Community Development Block Grants for 2024 are open for applications. Proposal submissions will be collected via the electronic Grants Management System. Instructions on how to submit proposals can be found at in.gov/ocra/cdbg. Several 2024 Action Plan changes will take effect starting this round. Round 2 proposals are due Oct. 18.
2 Our friends at DatingAdvice.com took a deep dive into the world of classic American cuisine and interviewed 3,000 men to find out which dishes resonate the most when it comes to matters of the heart. And to no surprise here, Indiana fared very well. Corn on the cob, chili, pork tenderloins, breaded catfish and sugar cream pie were tops in the Hoosier state. Nationally, New York cheesecake was No. 1.
3 Speaking of food, 'Porktober' returns for its fourth year. Diners can celebrate by visiting locally owned restaurants on the Tenderloin Lovers Trail. The trail can be found on the Indiana Culinary Trails Passport. Since 1908, the breaded pork tenderloin (BPT) has been Indiana's unofficial sandwich. To participate in 'Porktober', sign up for the Indiana Culinary Trails Passport at VisitIndiana.com/Cuisine. Each restaurant check-in earns points toward a variety of prizes including pie servers, tumblers, hats, sunglasses and more!

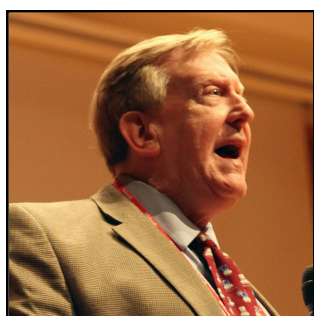


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President's Distinguished Speaker Series Begins Monday



Dr. Richard Gunderman

Wabash College is pleased to invite you to attend two President's Distinguished Speaker Series events in the coming weeks.

On Monday, Wabash will welcome Dr. Richard Gunderman '83 for his talk, "You Contain Multitudes," and two weeks later on Oct. 14, Dr. Robert Einterz '77 will talk about his career in global health with "Personal Reflections on Civility and Community."

Both talks will begin at 8 p.m. in Salter Concert Hall in the Fine Arts Center and will last about an hour. The community is cordially invited to attend.

Both doctors are exceptional examples of Wabash alumni living out the College's mission – in their professional achievements, commitment to teaching, and unwavering efforts to build and sustain communities on a truly global scale. At a time when much divides our nation, Drs. Gunderman and Einterz have spent their careers bringing people together.

Dr. Gunderman is Chancellor's Professor of Radiology, Pediatrics, Medical Education, Philosophy, Liberal Arts, Philanthropy, and Medical Humanities and Health Studies at Indiana University. He is also John A. Campbell Professor of Radiology and in 2019-21 served as Bicentennial Professor.

Dr. Gunderman is a 10-



Dr. Robert Einterz

time recipient of the Indiana University Trustees Teaching Award and has received honorary degrees from Northwestern and Wabash. He has written over 950 articles and 15 books, including "We Make a Life by What We Give (2008)," "X-ray Vision (2013)," "We Come to Life with Those We Serve (2017)," "Tesla (2019)," and "Contagion (2021)."

Dr. Einterz is the Donald E. Brown Professor Emeritus of Global Health and Clinical Professor Emeritus at the Indiana University School of Medicine. His work has been pivotal in creating the largest HIV/AIDS care program in Kenya, AMPATH, which began as a partnership between the IU School of Medicine and Moi University in Kenya, and was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize.

Dr. Einterz has been honored with the Indiana University President's Medal for Excellence, the President's Award for Distinguished Teaching, and the John W. Ryan Award for Distinguished Contributions to International Programs and Studies.

The President's Distinguished Speaker Series is generously funded by Wabash's alumni and friends, and provides thought-provoking events free of charge.

Rock Out Recovery Tomorrow

On Thursday, InWell will be hosting the 4th Annual Rock Out Recovery event from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Pike Place, 125 S. Washington St. This event is free and family friendly! Attendees will need to check in at the InWell table for a meal ticket and T-shirt.

This year, there will be more than 20 resource vendors, live music, DJ, messages of hope with recovery speakers, a bounce house, face painting, and 200 free meals from Smitty D's Hot Dogs and Tacos Pamaro, and sweet treats for purchase from Emily's Eats and Hoosier Ice Queen.

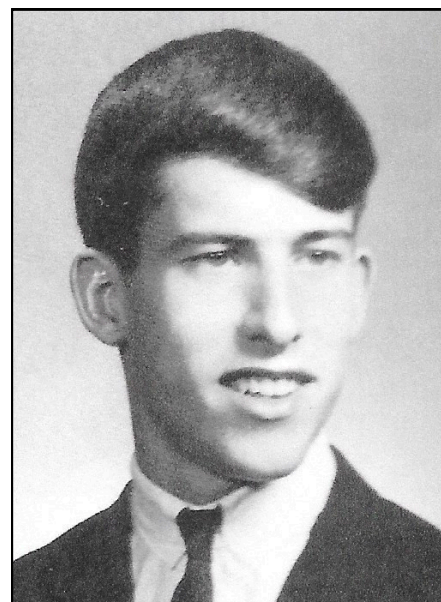
InWell, DFMC, and supporting agencies are especially excited about the recovery speaker, Justin Phillips, Founder and Executive Director of Indiana's Overdose Lifeline, Inc. She has recently been named USA Today's Indiana Woman of the Year! Judge Barajas from Montgomery County Drug Treatment Court will be giving opening remarks for the event. InWell hosted its first Recovery Month Celebration, Walk for Recovery, in 2021 at Milligan Park. This event had an amazing amount of support from community members, treatment providers,

and various social service agencies who hosted booths to share resources for the Montgomery County Recovery Community and their loved ones. This event has grown and expanded so much that it needed to be moved to Pike Place in 2022.

This wonderful and positive event has become an annual celebration because InWell wanted to create an event to highlight the local recovery community and show support to them and their loved ones who have been affected by substance use disorder. InWell wants to continue to recognize the sharing of local recovery stories to decrease stigma and normalize asking for help when it is needed.

As always, many resources can be found on the Drug Free Montgomery County's website at drugfreemoco.org. For further questions, reach out to Diamond Justus at diamond@mccsb.org. Drug Free Montgomery County is a program of the Youth Service Bureau. The YSB is a United Way in Montgomery County partner agency and is also supported by the Montgomery County Community Foundation.

Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize This Person?

HINT:
 He owned an oil-change business in Crawfordsville for many years.

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READER'S CHOICE 2024

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miss the Hammer. He seems to have more common sense and says what I'm usually thinking. Thank you for asking and yes I'd like to hear more from him."

Thanks, Shelly. And by the way, Mr. Timmons was my dad. I'm just Tim.

John from New Richmond echoed her thoughts.

"Bring back John Hammer! He speaks the truth and it is in limited supply now."

You got that right about "limited supply," John.

We had two Garys reply – one from Noblesville and one from Crawfordsville. They have different emails, so I'm guessing these are two different Garys (either that, or he might have a hell of an interesting tale to tell). Both said they are looking forward to hearing what John Hammer thinks about the presidential election.

Betty from Cicero tried to be kind – and I appreciate that. "I like your what you call scribbles," she started out. "However, I just LOVE reading everything about John Hammer. He reminds me of my late husband. He's smart, opinionated, and not at all afraid to say what he thinks. We need more like him."

I'll let John know, Betty. I'm sure he'll be honored by your comparison.

When it comes to Bubba, several of you wanted to know where the Crawl-On-Inn is located. Truth to tell, I can get there, but it's hard to describe. Let's just say that "out in the middle of nowhere" is a thriving metropolis compared to its location on a gravel road!

"I go by Bubba, too," Bubba from Lebanon wrote. "So I sympathize with Mr. Castiron. Pass along my number to him and tell him if he wants to start a support group for Bubbas who don't get any respect, I'm in."

I have a feeling Rodney Dangerfield's got nothing

on this guy.

"Every time I read about Bubba, I think about Jeff Foxworth's Bubba J. I think they are both so funny. Yes bring him back please."

That came from Dave in Crawfordsville. Sorry Dave, I think you meant Jeff Dunham – but you are right – I see similarities in both Bubbas as well (and wonder if Lebanon's Bubba would agree?).

My favorite email of all came from Monica in Noblesville.

"I don't know if Bubba is a real person or a figment of your imagination. If the latter, I seriously wonder about your childhood and what sort of trauma you must've been through. And if Bubba is a real person, then that explains how Joe Biden won the election."

True that, Monica!

Oh, and I almost forgot. Several folks say they miss Honest Hoosier the most. Mark summed it up perhaps the best.

"I don't have time to read all your "scribbles," but I miss the quick hits that Honest Hoosier provided."

There were others on all three, some perhaps not fit for the family newspaper we strive to be. But you get the gist. I'm not sure if I'm flattered by all the response or offended. But hey, we're here to give you what you asked for. So you can expect to hear from the boys in the coming weeks. Assuming I can track Bubba down!

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.

Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia

Answer:
Dave West

The Paper in Europe!



Photos courtesy Debbie Schavietello

You might've seen the promotions in The Paper for the trip to Ireland and Europe. Well, a group of travelers took advantage of our offer and are enjoying a close up look at some of the castles, scenery and majesty of the tour with one of the owners of The Paper, Debbie Schavietello. Debbie reports that a good time is being had by all and that she's already looking forward to our next trip with our travel partners, Collette. We'll share more details later, but for now please take a look at your calendars for next August and consider joining Debbie and friends for an August trip through the Canadian Rockies and Glacier National Park! As for now, here are a few photos from both the beginning of this tour and in Europe.

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Terri Dowell, Phil Hampton, Diana Bradshaw, Kim Paddack, Kevin Holt, Paula Riggins, Camilla Cox, Vonica Elmore, Eric Shahan, Carl Gleason, Debbie Smith, Janet Parker, Kevin Winger, Stu Weliever, Louie McRoberts, Patty Brown, Ronnie Edwards, Kathy Binford, Charlie Sears, Greg Lough, Randy Harshbarger, Kristen Woody, Debbie Tipton, Beth Kincaid, Denise Rash, Ellen Funk, Terri Morgan and Dave Stout.

The school had been built in 1913, was heated with steam radiators, and of course had no air conditioning...but no one complained. One winter day, my room was getting a little stuffy, so I asked Stu Weliever to raise one of the windows to let in a little cold air. As he attempted to raise the lower portion, the entire window and wood frame fell outside, crashing on the ground next to the subway band room! Stu stared at me in disbelief. I looked down below to see the band teacher, Ernie Brown, poking his head out the window and looking up at me with a puzzled expression on his face. My room cooled off very nicely that afternoon!

The sixth grade social studies class had to learn all of the states and capitals, oceans, rivers, mountains, etc. When it came to the states and capitals, most of the students had those memorized in a short time; however, there were three or four kids who had some trouble. I made the entire class take the states and capitals test every day until EVERYONE scored 100 per cent. This placed peer pressure on those who were not as studious or diligent, and it worked. I also made everyone learn the Preamble to the Constitution, the Equality Clause of the Declaration of Independence, the Star-Spangled banner, the Presidents (in chronological order), and the most difficult...the Gettysburg Address. Yes, it took some time, but you should have seen the smiles on their faces when each student accomplished all of these and received their A+.

The school had a movie projector, and I ordered a few films from WVEC in Lafayette to show in class. I also showed a few filmstrips from the

school library, and had the students take turns reading the script for each frame. These were educational and provided a break from normal class routine. We kept up on current events, and I also spent a week going over the history of Darlington and Montgomery county. One afternoon we walked uptown for a tour of the businesses, and at the National Guard armory, the officer gave the class a history of the local unit. On another spring afternoon, we walked to the Greenlawn cemetery, where the kids could see the names on the stones of relatives and local historical figures. One day the kids loaded up in Dad's bus, and we proceeded to the covered bridge, where I told of its history. Suffice it to say, none of these topics or activities were in the class agenda, but I thought they were important.

That sixth grade class was separated into sections the next year, and went on to graduate from high school in 1979. I enjoyed teaching all of my students through the years, but that

group of kids reminded me of my own class when I was a student. The kids had a good attitude and got along well with each other. Most all of them went on to have successful lives in various occupations...as teachers, nurses, lawyers, business men and women, farmers, skilled workers, managers, etc. Although a few moved away from the community, many still live here in the county, and I enjoy seeing them now and then. And guess what, most of them still know their states and capitals...and a few can even recite those famous passages they had to learn 52 years ago! But it is very difficult for me to believe that those little kids who were in my sixth grade class are now 63 years old! How did that happen?

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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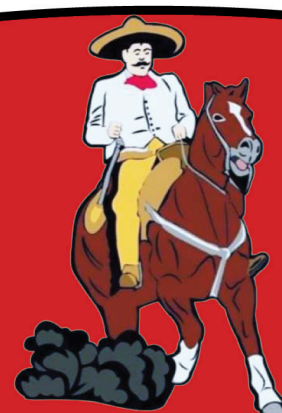


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mortgages, car loans or use credit cards. When its decisions have such a direct impact on people's pocketbooks, it can be hard to understand what makes the Fed's monetary policy decisions sound.

"The Fed can either increase or cut interest rates, and each action has both a benefit and a cost. When it increases interest rates that reduces inflation but tends to increase unemployment. When the Fed cuts interest rates that reduces unemployment but tends to increase inflation. Thus, the Fed is doing a balancing act," said Joyce Burnett, Professor of Economics at Wabash College.

Created in 1913, the Fed is made up of 12 regional banks, all designed to serve the public. Each bank has its own board of directors, people with private sector experience, who advise the regional president.

By design, the Fed is unregulated by the government. It advises the president and Congress on policy decisions, but Congress does appoint seven of the 12 regional presidents to the board of governors. Considering that many Americans are skeptical of the government's trustworthiness with money, the Fed's strength is its independence.

Now that former St. Louis Fed Chief James Bullard is the dean of Purdue's business school, he's helping Hoosiers understand what the Fed does and how it is trustworthy.

Part of Bullard's job as head of the St. Louis Fed was researching with other economists, creating research models, gathering data, testing economic models and documenting the results to be reviewed independently by other economists.

In a talk he gave at a September luncheon for the Purdue University Center for Research in Economics (PURCE), Bullard spoke on the trends in economic study and policy, from twenty years ago to the present. In the past few decades, researchers have increasingly paid attention to income and wealth distribution, he said.

Considering that people frequently discuss the widening wealth gap, it's valuable for economists to study the distribution of wealth, income and the ability to consume.

Early on, Bullard said, people in government didn't want to talk about income distribution, but now he and others want to speak coherently about the topic and the studies conducted on it. He did not say what prompted the new direction but noted that avoiding the research and discussion allows people to make unsubstantiated claims about which policies have

succeeded and which have failed.

Economists measure inequality by the Gini coefficient. The Gini coefficient goes from 0 (no inequality) to 1 (complete inequality) to measure wealth, income and consumption inequalities. Presently, the wealth gap is .8, which is high. The income gap is closer at .5, and the ability to consume is .32. The latter measurement accounts for who gets to consume, how much and how hard do they have to work for this ability.

Bullard illustrated the consumption inequity gap in his talk with the following example. Consider how economic class groups celebrate the 4th of July. The wealthy head to the Hamptons (or other high-end resorts) while the rest of us have barbeques and fireworks in our backyards. The proportion of their income that Americans spend for the holidays is similar, a lot closer than the income and wealth gaps.

Working with other economists, Bullard tested an economic model based on an economic model that builds on 20 years of research. The model takes into consideration the initial conditions that shape each person's economic trajectory – including their parenting, the conditions in which they grew up, and their childhood economic markers of health. In short, the model recognizes that some people are born into homes where they stand to inherit from their parents and benefit from legacy admissions at universities while others are born into homes where parents struggle to make the bills, may have never attended college and may not know how to balance their budgets.

Bullard's model adds to the studies that examine if and what policies are making life better and more equitable for people. It accounts for numerous factors: the productivity profile of workers, including the fact that people tend to make less money and save less in their younger and more mature years; for individual risks like sickness and unemployment; technological improvements at uneven rates; suboptimal interest rates in borrowing and investing; and for what Bullard calls "the four horsemen of policy" - monetary, labor, treasury and fiscal.

To tell if the model is accurate, Bullard and his co-researchers watched the calculations and outcomes to see if the consumption rate is the same across region and status and if the scale is proportional to people's



Many of you will recognize what this is ... a Cushman scooter. Lots of kids had these before the Japanese made motorcycles appeared. This one was a 1960 Super Eagle which my Dad bought for me when I was 13 years old. I drove it until I was 16, and then my brother took it over ... sure wish we had it back!

economic status. It also looks at the nominal interest rates and nominal growth rates are the same. (Nominal rates are the rates before inflation is taken into consideration.) The model matched historical trends except under extreme shocks such as the housing crisis from 2007-09 and from 2020-22. It turns out that models that look at how policies affect the economy struggle with such huge unpredictable shocks. In that case, the Fed and other economists must advise lawmakers and policymakers without an abundance of evidence supporting their advice. At that point, they're working off the cuff, leaning on their discernment alone.

All around the world, economists are developing models, each seeking to understand economic trends, forecast outcomes and improve the evidence and advice they give to elected leaders. It's up to us, the voters, to hold our leaders accountable for the kind of economic conditions we want in our country. We may not set treasury, monetary, labor and fiscal policies, but by the pressure we put on our representatives over living wages, more equitable access to housing, healthcare and transportation, we influence those policies.

With economists' research on the question of the distribution of resources, leaders will have better data to evaluate when deciding how to respond.

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Sen. Deery focuses on Suicide Prevention Month



SPENCER DEERY
Guest Columnist

Suicide in Indiana is the second-leading cause of death for 10-34 year olds and the 11th-leading cause of death overall. This is tragic and must change.

But there is some good news to celebrate this National Suicide Prevention Month: In the last two years, Indiana has taken aggressive action, and we are starting to see results, both in the care offered and in the mental wellness of Hoosiers.

In 2022, Mental Health America ranked Indiana near the bottom as the 42nd worst state for mental health. Today, after just two years of aggressive reforms, we now rank 24th in the nation. As a final destination, that's not good, but in terms of improvement, it's the best in the nation and strong evidence that our recent investments are showing early results.

Indiana's improvement is driven by at least three reforms that I supported:

- Senate Bill 1 from 2023 redesigned the mental-health care system in Indiana;
- A \$100 million investment to expand the number of behavioral health clinics in Indiana; and
- Strengthened community-based mental health programs.

If you or someone you know is experiencing emotional distress, a mental health challenge, substance abuse or suicidal thoughts, help is just a phone call or text away at 988. The Lifeline is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

PROTECTING WOMEN'S Sports

On Monday, I had the



chance to meet and hear from former collegiate swimmer and activist Riley Gaines at the Indiana Family Institute's annual dinner.

I was really impressed by her courage to speak out of her comfort zone to become a leader in the fight to defend Title IX and women's sports.

Indiana already voted to protect the integrity of women's high school athletics.

The next landmark needs to be to do so at the collegiate level.

INDIANA COUNTIES Institute Burn Bans

With the recent lack of rain throughout Indiana, several counties across the state have instituted burn bans.

Burn bans can be ordered by local fire chiefs in their jurisdiction or imposed by local governments.

When a county is under a burn ban, open burning of materials is prohibited. Campfires and recreational fires are permitted if contained within a burn ring or fire pit.

The use of gas and charcoal grills is also permitted, but charcoal must be fully extinguished when finished.

HARVEST SEASON Safety Tips for the Road

Harvest season is underway, which means large, slow-moving farm equipment will be on the roads more frequently. There are several safety tips motorists should follow as they approach this equipment.

- Allow plenty of time to get to your destination.
- Avoid tailgating and watch for sudden stops.
- Be alert and avoid distractions.
- Be careful when passing.
- Do not pass within 100 feet of an intersection, railroad crossing, bridge, elevation structure or tunnel.

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.

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Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of the (Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Project Crawfordsville High School Lift Station & Force Main Improvements) will be received by the City of Crawfordsville Board of Public Works and Safety at the Clerk-Treasurer's office within the City Hall located at (300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933) until 10:00 a.m. on October 16, 2024. Each Bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the project and the name and address of Bidder. If Bids are forwarded by mail, a sealed envelope containing the Bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the OWNER at (300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933). Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting located at the City of Crawfordsville, City Hall – City Council Chambers, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 on October 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. (Local Time). Any bids received after the above specified time and date will be returned to the bidders unopened.

A voluntary pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. (Local Time) on October 1, 2024 at the City of Crawfordsville, City Hall – City Council Chambers, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933. All prime contractors, subcontractors, small, minority or women owned enterprises, and other interested parties are invited to attend.

The CONTRACT BID DOCUMENTS, consisting of, but not, necessarily limited to, the: Advertisement for Bids, Information for Bidders, Bid, Bid Bond, Agreement, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, Payment Bond, Performance Bond, Employee Drug Testing Program (as required pursuant to Indiana Code Sections 36-1-12-24 and 4-13-18-6), E Verify Program Compliance Affidavit, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Change Orders (if any), Drawings, Specifications and Addenda, may be examined at the following locations:

- Midwestern Engineers, Inc., 6809 Corporate Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46278
- City of Crawfordsville Wastewater Treatment Plant – 515 Bluff St., Crawfordsville, IN 47933

Plans and Specifications are available at the office of Midwestern Engineers, Inc. The service charge for Contractors to purchase the plans for preparing their bid is as follows: 1) Purchasing by digital download at <https://app.midwesterneng.com/planroom> - \$100.00 per Division and 2) Purchasing by paper-bound plans and specifications - \$300.00 per Division. All service charges for purchasing are non-refundable.

Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the Project and the name and address of the Bidder. All bids must be submitted on the proposal forms identified in the specifications.

The bidder must file with their sealed bid a certified check or a bid bond in the amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the highest aggregate proposal, payable to the Owner. The above check or bond is to insure the execution of the contract on which such bids are made.

Bids shall be properly and completely executed on proposal forms included in the Specifications. Bids shall include all information requested by Indiana Form 96 (Revised 2013) included with the Specifications. Under Section III of Form 96, the Bidder shall submit a financial statement. The Owner may make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform the work and the Bidder shall furnish to the Owner all such information and data for this purpose as the Owner may request. The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such Bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Agreement and to complete the work contemplated therein.

Each Bidder is responsible for inspecting the Project site(s) and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the Contract Documents and Specifications. The failure or omission of any Bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation with respect to its Bid.

A conditional or qualified Bid will not be accepted. All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the project throughout.

The work to be performed and the bid to be submitted shall include sufficient and proper sums for all general construction, mechanical installation, labor, materials, permits, licenses, insurance, and so forth incidental to and required for the construction of the facilities.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any formalities. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least ninety (90) days.

Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder.

The contractor(s) to whom the work is awarded will be required to furnish, before commencing work, a performance and payment bond in an amount equal to the bid price of the contract awarded to said contractor and certification of all insurance required in the specifications. All bonds and liability insurance shall remain in effect for the period listed in the specifications following completion and acceptance of local and federal agencies.

Mayor Todd Barton
City of Crawfordsville

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-5, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the North Montgomery Community School Corporation has preliminarily determined to issue bonds in one or more series in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to fund the proposed renovation of and improvements to facilities throughout the School Corporation, including site improvements and the purchase of equipment and technology.

Dated: September 25, 2024

/s/ Secretary, Board of School Trustees
North Montgomery Community School Corporation
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Baird's Bill Passes U.S. House

Congressman Jim Baird's (IN-04) Mathematical and Statistical Modeling Education Act passed the U.S. House of Representatives this week.

Baird is the Republican lead on the bipartisan legislation, which was introduced by Representative Chrissy Houlahan (PA-06). The Mathematical and Statistical Modeling Education Act modernizes math curricula to make it more applicable to real-world scenarios and improves science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education in K-12 schools.

"As a PhD scientist, I know the impact STEM education has on American innovation, and we must ensure students have the mathematical problem-solving skills necessary to succeed," Baird said. "I am grateful to work with Representative Houlahan on this important bill to update school curricula to better equip our students with the STEM education they need to tackle the challenges of our modern world. I am proud to see this bill pass the full U.S. House, and I hope to work with the Senate to get this legislation signed into law soon."

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**LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
MONTGOMERY COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT ORDINANCE 2024-01 AMENDING THE
DISTRICT'S SCHEDULE OF RATES FOR SEWAGE TREATMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the Montgomery County Regional Sewer District will conduct a public hearing regarding the above-captioned ordinance at the Montgomery County Government Building, 1580 Constitution Row, Community Meeting Room, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, beginning at 4:00pm local time on Wednesday, October 9, 2024. The proposed rates and charges are as follows:

	Current	Proposed New Rate
Residential Metered Users		
Base Charge		
Monthly Residential Base Charge	\$22.35	\$28.38
Flow Charge		
Rate per 1,000 Gallons	\$12.23	\$15.53
Unmetered Users	Rate per Unit	Rate per Unit
Bar (without food service)	\$3.81	\$4.84 per seat
Beauty salon or barber shop	\$14.00	\$17.78 per customer
Bowling Alley		
With bar and/or food	\$50.88	"\$64.62 per lane \$38.77 per lane"
Without food service	\$30.53	\$38.77 per lane
Church		
With Kitchen	\$2.55	\$3.24 per sanctuary
Without kitchen	\$1.28	\$1.63 per sanctuary
Day care center	\$7.64	\$9.70 per person
Dentist		
Per Chair, Plus	\$82.68	\$105.00 per chair, plus
Per employee	\$30.53	\$38.77 per employee
Food Service Operators		
Cocktail Lounge	\$14.00	\$17.78 per seat
Restaurant (not 24 hours)	\$14.00	\$17.78 Per seat
Restaurant (24 hours)	\$20.36	\$25.86 per seat
Curb Service (drive-in)	\$20.36	\$25.86 per car space
Hospital, medical facility	\$82.68	\$105.00 per bed
Hotel/Motel	\$40.71	\$51.70 per bed
Nursing Home	\$40.71	\$51.70 per bed
Office building without showers	\$7.64	\$9.70 per employee
Outpatient surgical center	\$20.36	\$25.86 per patient
Manufacturing Facility		
With Showers	\$14.00	\$17.78 per employee
Without Showers	\$7.64	\$9.70 per employee
Mobile Home Park	\$82.68	\$105.00 per lot
Service Station with only 2 restrooms	\$164.09	\$208.39 per restroom
Recreational campground with individual sewer connection	\$40.71	\$51.70 per campsite
Retail	\$7.64	\$9.70 per employee
School (elementary)	\$6.36	\$8.08 per pupil/staff
Residential		
Single Family Residence	\$77.40	\$98.30 per dwelling
One-Bedroom apartment	\$50.31	\$63.89 per dwelling
Two-Bedroom apartment	\$75.08	\$95.35 per dwelling
Each additional bedroom	\$12.39	\$15.74 per room
Theater		
Inside Building	\$2.55	\$3.24 per seat
Excessive Strength Surcharges		
BOD (in excess of 200 mg/L)	\$0.35	\$0.35
SS (in excess of 250 mg/L)	\$0.30	\$0.30
N113 (in excess of 30 mg/L)	\$0.95	\$0.95
Capacity Fee (one-time fee at connection)	\$1,500/EDU	\$2,000/EDU

This hearing is open to the public, and users, property owners of property served by the utility, and other interested persons will have the opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed rates and charges. The District Board will vote on the proposed rates and charges immediately following the public hearing.

If an accommodation is required to allow an individual with disability to participate, please contact the county's ADA coordinator (765-361-2623) at least 48 hours in advance of this hearing.

Dan Guard, President
Date: September 12, 2024

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AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

**Sheriff Sale File number:
Date & Time of Sale:
Sale Location: 600 Memorial Drive, Crawfordsville, IN 47933
Judgment to be Satisfied: \$43,512.69
Cause Number: 54D01-2403-MF-000284
Plaintiff: THE NORTH SALEM STATE BANK
Defendant: Joseph E. Martin, a/k/a Joe Martin AND the Unknown**

Occupants of 107 E. State Street, New Ross, Indiana 47968

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me, directed from the Clerk of Superior/Circuit Court of Boone County Indiana, 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 at the date, time and location listed above, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate, a certain tract or parcel of land described as follows:

Lot Numbered Eleven (11) and the West half of Lot Numbered Nine (9) on the Plat of the Town of Valley City, now known as New Ross, as per plat thereof recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Montgomery County, Indiana.

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Parcel No. 09-36-222-047.000-034

Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, this sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. In accordance to the requirements of IC 32-29-7-3, this Notice shall also represent service of Notice of Sale of this real estate upon the owners.

* An entire Sheriff's Sale may be cancelled due to inclement weather or other county emergencies. If the entire Sheriff's Sale is cancelled, each parcel will be cancelled. Each parcel will be assigned to the next available sale (normally 2 months from original sale). This will allow compliance with Indiana Code concerning posting, publication, and serving time frames. Also, new Sheriff's Sale fees will be assessed and the parcels will be automatically re-advertised. The plaintiff will be responsible for the new fees and advertising costs.

Cynthia P. Helfrich, Plaintiff's Attorney
Attorney No. 20914-49
Helfrich Law Offices
18 East Main Street
Suite 206
Greenfield, IN 46140
(317) 456-5315
Ryan Needham, Sheriff
By: SRI
Phone: 800-858-5292

The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the commonly known address published herein.

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Joseph E. Martin
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Lebanon, IN 46052
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107 E. State Street, New Ross, IN 47968
Road, Lebanon, Indiana

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FOR THE RECORD

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION

AGENDA
 WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 4:00 PM
 MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER COMMUNITY ROOM
 1580 CONSTITUTION ROW
 CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN 47933

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of August 2024 meeting minutes
- III. Reports:
- IV. Agenda Modifications
- V. New Business:
 RZ2024-1 – Public Hearing - Rezone of agricultural zoned property to R-2 (residential subdivision)
 SD2024-4 – Public Hearing - Preliminary Plat for The Heritage Group.
- VI. Old Business
- VII. Other Business:
 Rescheduling October Meeting date: Moving October meeting date to October 16, 2024 at 4:00 pm
- VIII. Adjournment

*Next regularly scheduled meeting Wednesday October 23, 2024

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION

MINUTES
 WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28, 2024
 The Montgomery County Plan Commission met on Wednesday August 28, 2024. Plan Commission members present were Steve Canfield, Steve Loy, John Frey, Bob Campbell, Tricia Herr, Jordan Burkett and Tom McClamroch. Staff members present were Marc Bonwell and Dan Taylor.
 Bob Campbell made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Tom McClamroch. Motion carried 7-0.
 Agenda Modifications: Bob Campbell made a motion to move approval of the Bobcat drainage to the September meeting. Steve Canfield seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.
 SD2024-2: Secondary Approval
 Bob Campbell made a motion to approve SD2024-2 with the condition that the Plan Commission Drainage is approved. The motion was seconded by Jordan Burkett. Motion carried 7-0.
 Dan Taylor stated that the zoning code edits would hopefully be ready for review by the next meeting.
 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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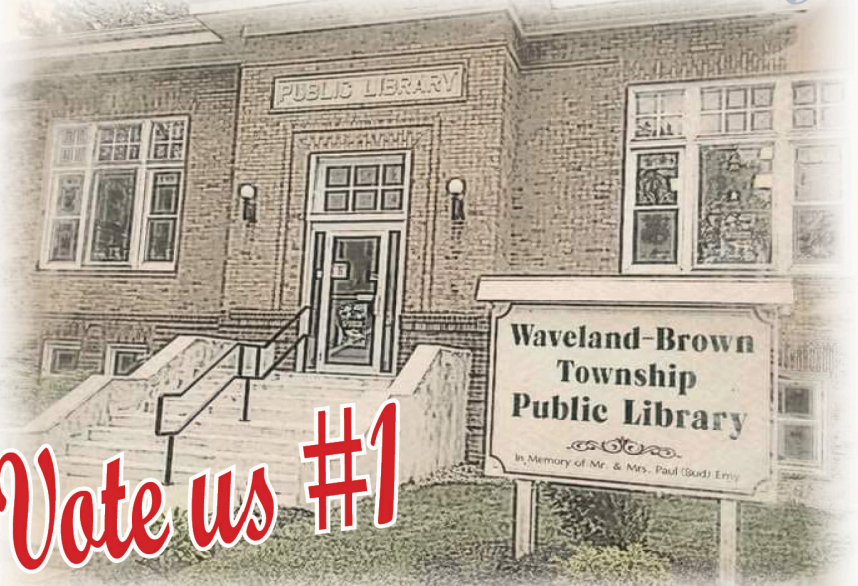
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