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#### **TODAY'S VERSE**

Micah 6:8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

# Meet Lena



Lena is a 2 year old female shepherd available for adoption from The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL) since 9/2/24. Lena loves going out for walks, playing in a fenced yard, and will gladly sit for treats. Lena is looking for her best friend. Could that be you? Lena is spayed, dewormed, microchipped, and up to date on all of her shots! AWL is 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!!



Here's a tip of the seed corn cap to Jessica McClamroch and all her great work with the Strawberry Festival Queen and Junior Royalty programs!



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**Hidden Costs of** 

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previous column from the first

week of December on how

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## **Butch Relates Story of Nice Boy Turned Bad**



**BUTCH DALE** 

Sheriff, I was not too concerned with enforcing minor traffic Columnist violations, although that

As a deputy

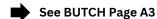
and later on as

is one aspect of the job. I thought that solving serious crimes was much more important. Those whom I arrested for felony offenses came from all walks of life. When interviewing suspects, I noticed that their criminal activity usually stemmed from poor decisions as a result of alcohol abuse, family problems or being with the wrong people at the wrong time. How can a likeable, well-adjusted person who has never been in trouble end up behind bars? Here is one example ...

Johnny was a precocious little boy who was loved by his parents. His father was strict, but not abusive. He had a very sweet teenage sister who enjoyed dressing him in handsome little suits for church and special occasions. Johnny's father owned a small grocery and the customers enjoyed talking to Johnny, who was a carefree, likeable youngster. But tragedy struck when Johnny was scarcely three years old when his mother suddenly passed away. During the funeral, Johnny disappeared and was found

sitting on a chair next to the casket, shaking his mother to try to awaken her. His mother's death affected him greatly, but his sister took over the maternal duties and provided great love and care, and the three of them attended church each week, where Johnny's dad was a deacon.

About the time that Johnny started school, his father remarried, with his new wife treating Johnny as one of her own with much love and affection. The family moved to the country, where Johnny's father took up farming. Johnny was not an exceptional student, but



policies and procedures that apply to employees of and incarcerated individuals in

local jails and state prisons." It calls upon "correctional systems to provide humane, dignified, non-discriminatory treatment of incarcerated people and personnel, including appropriate health care and access to community-based rehabilitation programs." It calls for the elimination of the practice of solitary confinement; to provide clear, safe and accessible ways to report abuse; and "to address recidivism with programs that focus on rehabilitation, education, mental health treatment, substance abuse

recovery and transitional

Such programs, the statement reads, "call for case management services to match education, behavior, job training, work, and mental health programs with the needs of incarcerated individuals; to provide sufficient psychological services, including training and evaluation." Because it helps with re-entry, the LWV believes "correctional systems should encourage family and community visitations and ways to maintain contact."

The LWV calls for the elimination of private prisons.

It doesn't name the private, for-profit services, including the communications and service contracts mentioned in parts 1 and 2 of this series.

In addition to providing monitoring, commissary fund services and communications, the nation's jails and prisons often contract with healthcare and food service providers. The contracts focus on the expertise and reduce the workload of the sheriff or commanding officer.

"It's a godsend, you know," says Montgomery County Sheriff Ryan Needham of their contract with Quality Correctional Health, which provides a nurse from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with a doctor on call



# It's The World We Live In



live in now ain't what it used to be.

The world we

A recent TIMMONS national story Two Cents supposedly

detailed the difference between Biden and Trump using the California fires and California Gov. Gavin Newsom. The writer's take was that Biden stood tall with Newsom and pledged the full weight of the federal government for assistance . . . while all Trump did was criticize.

For just a moment, let's set aside politics. The reality is that people, you know,

human beings are going through hell on the left coast and yet the story is about Biden this or Trump that.

This is what our world going forward is going to look like.

Whether you sit on the left, the right, the woke, the frustrated . . . whatever, can't the vast majority of us agree things aren't where they should be? Can't we agree that our country could be - and should be in better shape?

And can't we all agree that this continued finger pointing is getting us nowhere?

For the 10 or 12 of you who follow these scribbles, you know I'm an old sportswriter - heavy emphasis on old. In a few days my Fighting Irish from Notre Dame will take on Ohio State for the national championship of college football. The Irish squeezed by Penn State in the semifinals on a last-second field goal. All of that is cause for my celebration. It's been almost 40 years since Notre Dame was this good (a fact IU basketball fans can relate to).

But no, in this new world, that's not the story.



### TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Most back strains improve on their own in a week

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

- Don't forget that your favorite newspaper won't be published on Monday, Jan. 20 in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. We'll be back on our normal scheduled Wednesday, Jan. 22.
- Kroger and The Kroger Family of Companies are committed to raising \$1 million for families impacted by the devastating wildfires in the Los Angeles region. Kroger is making it easy for customers to support relief efforts through its "round up" opportunity, boosting purchases to the nearest dollar at checkout to help the Red Cross. Customers are also invited to donate online if that is more convenient. In addition to monetary contributions, Kroger is delivering food, water and supplies to local fire departments and evacuation centers.
- Indiana Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch has been awarded the Sentinel of the Vault for her unwavering dedication to safeguarding Indiana's financial resources and advancing economic opportunities for Hoosiers. The Sentinel of the Vault is bestowed by the Office of the Indiana Treasurer and recognizes individuals who have demonstrated exemplary stewardship of the state's assets and a steadfast commitment to fiscal responsibility.

### **TODAY'S QUOTE**

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity." Psalms 133:1

## **TODAY'S JOKE**

Overheard between two office workers: I have an inferiority complex . . . but it's not a very good one.

### **MONTGOMERY** MINUTE

Daryl Warren, Montgomery County's newest Basketball Hall of Fame member, will be at the Linden Carnegie Public Library on Saturday Jan. 25 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Richard Ward Community Room. Daryl and Coach Tom Speaker will be signing the book " The Last County Championship." The book, written by Coach Speaker, was first published in 2011 and is the story of the Linden High School Bulldog's 1971 basketball team and their victory in the last county tournament championship in Montgomery County.

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### **Renovations Under Way at** Lew Wallace Study & Museum





Photos courtesy General Lew Wallace Study & Museum

Thanks to a grant, donations and hard work, renovations have begun.

Have you ever wondered what the staff at the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum does over the winter months?

In an ordinary winter season, staff removes the annual exhibit, cares for the artifacts, does a deep clean of the museum and plans exhibit and programs for the coming year.

This winter, the museum and grounds are closed because they are doing an extensive renovation of the Lew Wallace Carriage House. This building was saved from demolition by the city and by dedicated volunteers more than 20 years ago. It was extensively restored and opened in 2005 as the Lew Wallace Museum Welcome Center, Lynne D. Hohlbein Education and Exhibit Display Space, office space, gift shop and artifact storage. Over the years, more than 100,000 people have come through or used the building. This attendance, combined with the other uses, caused some deterioration and structural issues.

Thanks to a grant from the Montgomery **County Community** Foundation, a number of private donations and income from the

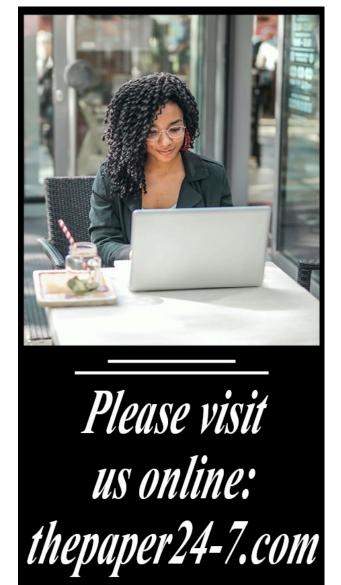
The museum and grounds are closed to the public while work continues.

TASTE of Montgomery County and the Holiday Tea, sufficient money has been raised to complete structural repairs to the building and upgrades to the paint and floor finishes. The project was designed by Ratio Architects and work is being completed by Brandt Construction. The goal is to complete the project by the end of March, but until it is completed the museum and grounds will be closed to the public. When it does reopen, the 2025 exhibit will look at the epic silent film version of Ben-Hur that was released in 1925. Often considered the first film blockbuster, the movie is given credit for saving MGM studios and changing the film landscape

In addition to the Carriage House renovation project, two of Lew Wallace's pieces of elaborate cast iron garden decoration have beer sent off for restoration over the winter. Staff plans to reinstall these features later in 2025.

forever.

For more information call Larry Paarlberg at (765) 362-5769 or email lpaarlberg@benhur.com.



## **Want Free Tickets** to Home Show?

The Paper of **Montgomery County** once again has free tickets to give away for the 2025 Indianapolis Home Show which runs from Friday, Jan. 17 through Sunday, Jan. 26 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds and Event Center.

All you have to do to win tickets (valued at \$15 each) is either send us a selfie of you and our front page (Print or Online Edition) or drop by our office at 127 E. Main St. and let Jacob take your picture!

If you send us a selfie, email it to news@the paper24-7.com and be sure to include your name, where you live (city or town, not specific home address) and a little bit about yourself. Then all you have to do is wait and watch. If you see your smiling face in The Paper - you win!

But wait, as the TV guy says, that's not all! If you come by our office - you don't have to wait at all! Jacob will get your photo and then hand you free tickets. Yes, it's that easy!

And what a year to win Home Show tickets! The Indianapolis Home Show returns for its 103rd year! An Indiana tradition, the oldest home show in North America offers the

latest in decorating landscaping, construction and remodeling ideas. Visitors to the Indianapolis Home Show can talk to hundreds of home and décor experts for advice and explore thousands of the newest home products.

The opening day of the show is special because visitors can pay honor to all our heroes! All active and retired military, police and fire personnel get FREE ADMISSION for the day, plus FREE PARKING at the State Fairgrounds. Just bring a valid ID, and come enjoy the Home Show on opening day!

And on Sunday, Jan. 19, the Home Show, as a thank you to those who help teach our little ones, is giving teachers and school staff FREE ADMISSION. Just bring a valid ID!

The show opens at 10 a.m. each day and on Monday through Wednesday closes at 7 p.m. Closing time for Thursday through Saturday is 8 p.m. and Sundays wrap up at 5 p.m.

Regular admission prices are \$15 for adults, \$3 for children ages 6-12 and free for children 5 and under.

### Sen. Deery Continues Look at Priorities



SPENCER **DEERY** Guest Columnist

my legislation to protect our water and our farms, and to reform

Last week, I

announced

the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. This week, I am announcing several proposals to strengthen our schools, support our best teachers, and prepare the next generation of Hoosiers for self-government. I have filed three education bills to address the following priorities:

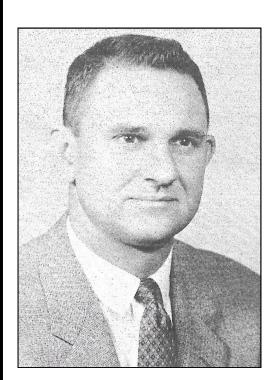
Making it easier for students studying STEM to become trained teachers. In 2022-23, Indiana issued just 17 new teaching licenses in chemistry, five in engineering, and 15 in physical science. This shortage led schools to request emergency waivers, filling positions with individuals who often lacked classroom training. For example, in chemistry, the state issued 412% more emergency permits than new licenses. To address this, my bill would create a pathway for STEM students to graduate college with a teaching certificate if they pass a subject matter test, complete nine specific education

credits, and gain field experience in the classroom.

Paying teachers in hard-to-fill positions more. Schools face challenges recruiting and retaining teachers in subjects like special education, STEM and English as a Second Language. Factors such as job stress and specialized skills contribute to this problem, but another is the unreasonable expectations from teachers' unions that

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# **Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia**



Do You Know this 1939 Alamo H.S. Grad?

HINT: He became a teacher, coach and principal ... and then later on a well-known banker.

> Answer on Page A3



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



## BUTCH

he loved reading all of the books he could get his hands on, and he was always immaculately dressed and had a neat and clean appearance. He was a little mischievous at times like most youngsters, but never got into any serious trouble. However, farming was not very profitable, and wanting to earn some money, as a teenager Johnny dropped out of school and began working in a veneer factory. The work was hard and entailed heavy lifting, but Johnny was strong and even helped the other workers who were less physically fit. Johnny was generous and often loaned money or gave it freely to his fellow workers who were in financial straits. Johnny liked to hike in the woods with his dog. He enjoyed hunting, but mostly just enjoyed being by himself out in nature. He also developed a fondness for the game of baseball, and joined a local team. He played second base, and eventually became the team's leading pitcher. He fell in love with a

good. Then began a downward spiral. The parents of Johnny's girlfriend did not approve of him, and they successfully ended the relationship. Heartbroken, Johnny joined the Navy, but soon tired of the military discipline, and feeling homesick, deserted and made his way back to the farm. Now 20 years old and on the rebound from his first love, he married a 16 year old girl and started hanging around with an older fellow who had served time in prison. The two men spent quite a bit of time in the local pool room, and often went on drinking bouts together, with Johnny leaving his new wife alone at home. He began to get in a few scrapes with the law and enjoyed his new

local girl and attended a

Quaker church. Life was

Late one night, after Johnny and his buddy had spent an evening of heavy drinking, on impulse they accosted a local businessman, struck him over the head and robbed the man of \$50. The two were arrested a short time later. Johnny had no recollection of what had transpired. He did not hire an attorney and was told that if he pled guilty, he would receive a light sentence of probation. Johnny's father agreed to the deal offered by the judge and prosecutor. Johnny was not yet 21 years of age, was married, came from a respectable family and had no previous criminal record . . . and the crime had been committed while he

"wild life."

was under the influence of alcohol and with an older individual. Yet when sentencing occurred, Johnny received the maximum. .. 10 to 20 years in prison. He and his father were stunned, "I just didn't have the money to hire a lawyer for my boy." The older accomplice hired a lawyer and got off easy.

This was Johnny's first

crime. It was also the turning point in his life. While in prison, his wife divorced him. He worked in the prison shirt factory and became acquainted with several other violent felons. After serving several years, Johnny was finally granted parole and decided to come back home and help his father farm. But on the day of his return, Johnny's stepmother, who he loved dearly, suffered a stroke and died. He cried tears of sorrow at her passing. Johnny tried to be neighborly to the local townspeople when he returned home, but they looked down on a convicted felon.

Times were tough. Jobs were scarce. Many people hated the banks, as families had lost their money when the banks had closed at the beginning of the economic depression. Johnny, along with the buddies he had met in prison, decided that they would get even with the banks and the law. They began a long string of robbing banks at gunpoint and making fast getaways. The gang even robbed police stations just for fun and to obtain firearms. Many people considered this gang of robbers and killers as heroes, and Johnny was the modern day Robin

In my law enforcement career, I learned that one or two silly mistakes or bad decisions, or sometimes fate . . . can change a person's life . . . . just like Johnny. When I was Sheriff, one day in 1997 I checked the crimes and backgrounds of all the jail inmates. Threefourths of them were there because of alcohol related circumstances. Today I would wager that threefourths of the inmates in jail are there because of drug related circumstances. Some change and get their life back together. Some never change. But the majority of these people do not end up like "Public Enemy Number One" in 1934 . . . John "Johnny" Dillinger.

John "Butch" Dale is a retired teacher and County Sheriff. He has also been the librarian at Darlington the past 36 years, and is a wellknown artist and author of local history.

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#### TIM From Page A1

The coaches in Notre Dame's semifinal game, Marcus Freeman and James Franklin, are minorities. Franklin is black and Freeman's mother was Korean and his father black. ESPN mentioned over and over that of 134 NCAA FBS schools, only 16 had black head coaches.

Only 16!

What ESPN didn't mention is that 16 equals about 12 percent. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, about 14 percent of this country's total is black.

The number doesn't seem so disparate now, does it?

Immediately after the game - did I mention my Irish won? - ESPN's very first question to Freeman was how it felt to be the first black coach to reach the championship game. What did you expect from ESPN? The oncegreat cable company is owned by the Walt Disney Company - the folks who reportedly vowed to make half their characters going forward representative of the LGBTQ community.

Let's not forget what movies Disney makes. Their target audience tends to go to elementary school. ESPN would do well to avoid sex education. (Heck, I'm not OK with them including cuss words in their movies.) I know, I know, I'm wrong. Today's world just can't let little kids be little kids, perfectly content with dolls, playgrounds and all the things that make up the innocence of youth.

I digress. Back to the game.

ESPN not only couldn't wait to play the race card, it did so in the most racist manner possible - it discriminated against Asian Americans.

Did they ask Freeman how it felt to be the first coach of Asian descent to reach the title game? Nope. Not a word. I guess ESPN only cares about some minorities.

And hardly mentioned by the mainstream folks in the media world was Freeman's reaction. The coach could not have handled it much better.

"I've said this before, I don't ever want to take attention away from the team," Freeman said on the podium minutes after the biggest win of his coaching career. "It is an honor and I hope all coaches - minorities, black, Asian, white, it doesn't matter, great people continue to get opportunities to lead young men like this. This ain't about me, this is about us, and we're going to celebrate what

something special."

is in his third year as

head coach at Notre

we've done, because it's Good for Freeman, who

Dame. (BTW, did you know that of the five Notre Dame coaches who have won national championships, all except for Knute Rockne won one in their

third year . . . sorry, I

This is the world we live

digress again.)

in now . . . and I hate the fact that the things many of us were taught growing up no longer matter. Hard work, honesty, fairness, manners, compassion, competition and so many other traits instilled in us by parents, teachers, coaches, clergy have been replaced.

And that old sports writer in me absolutely hates that the one place where color doesn't matter is under ESPN's assault. What? Am I forgetting Jackie Robinson and others who broke color barriers? Absolutely not! But since the white men who were in power back then got their heads out of their posteriors, sports has been about who proves themselves better on the court, the field, the arena . . . well, OK, WNBA and Caitlyn Clark haters aside.

This is the world we live in now.

Truth to tell, dear friends, we are a flawed country. Always have been. We have presidents who lie, cheat and steal - ditto members of Congress. And if one side of the aisle or the other tries to tell you the other side is worse, add them to the list of liars.

We conveniently forget facts, or worse, we make up whatever best helps our side.

It's nothing new. This crap has been going on far longer than you and I have taken up space on God's green earth.

Our history as a nation is that we have long tried to be better, to improve. From tossing a King's tea into the harbor to fighting a Civil War to defying an idiot governor who tried to keep a young black woman from entering a university . . . we have tried. Sometimes we failed. Sometimes we didn't. But we kept trying, and more often than not, got some things right and continued growing, improving. We're still not there yet, but until recently, we trudged on - understanding that together we are better than apart.

Sadly, a lot of folks are now trying to undo that. It's the world we live in

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.

Two cents, which is

### Baird presents Veteran, Hero John Hall Sagamore



Photo courtesy Indiana House Republicans

State Rep. Beau Baird (R-Greencastle) (fourth from right) is joined by U.S. Rep. Jim Baird (R-IN) (far right) to present John Hall (seated) with the Sagamore of the Wabash and an official Congressional Record.

State Rep. Beau Baird (R-Greencastle) recently presented a Sagamore of the Wabash to World War II and Korean Var veteran John Hall of Crawfordsville.

Baird presented the award to Hall, 99, in Crawfordsville.

"John Hall's remarkable service during both World War II and the Korean War stands as a testament to his profound commitment to our nation," Baird said. "From enduring the hardships of being a prisoner of war to earning a Bronze Star, Hall's service exemplifies the highest ideals of courage and dedication. It's an honor to recognize him with the Sagamore of the Wabash award."

Baird was joined by U.S. Rep. Jim Baird (R-IN) for the award presentation ceremony, where Congressman Baird also presented Hall

all educators with the

with an official Congressional Record.

Hall served with distinction in both World War II and the Korean War. During World War II, he fought in the Battle of the Bulge, was captured as a POW and remained in captivity until General Patton's army liberated him. After his service in World War II, he was recalled for duty during the Korean War, where he was wounded in combat. Hall was awarded a Bronze Star for his service in Korea, further demonstrating his unwavering dedication to our

Dating back to the 1940s, the Sagamore of the Wabash award was created by former Gov. Ralph Gates. It is the highest honor the governor can bestow and is presented to distinguished Hoosiers who have made significant contributions to the state of Indiana.

country.

## **DEERY** From Page A2

same experience should be paid the same. This one-size-fits-all approach doesn't reflect the realities of the job market and isn't fair to teachers or students. My bill would empower administrators to offer higher salaries to educators in shortage areas.

**Building an American** identity rooted in our founding documents through better civics and history instruction. Nationwide, only 39% of young Americans are grateful for America's founding. Over half favor writing a new constitution, and at least a third view our Founding Fathers as villains more than heroes. My bill aims to ensure history and civics education cultivate an appreciation for the universal principles enshrined in the U.S. Constitution and Declaration of Independence. It also would create a local mechanism to resolve concerns when instruction fails to meet

**Prioritizing parental** communication in bullying investigations. In 2023, I helped strengthen our laws to prevent bullying in schools, but we need to fix a major shortcoming that remains. When

schools investigate

this standard.

bullying incidents, they currently do not need to inform the parents for five days. I believe whether a child was the victim, the perpetrator or it's not yet clear, parents should know of their child's involvement so they can better meet the child's needs. My bill would require schools to make a reasonable effort to notify parents by the end of the calendar day if their child is the subject of a bullying

bills that will be posted online in coming days.

### **PASSING A** Balanced Budget

Last week, lawmakers gathered at the Statehouse for the start of the 2025 legislative session.

top priorities is to pass a balanced two-year state budget.

As always, one of my

Why it matters: Every dollar the state takes in was first earned by a hardworking Hoosier, so it's important to ensure that money is invested wisely. Passing a balanced budget allows our state government to

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## **Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia Answer:**

John Bowerman

investigation. These priorities are packaged into three different education

Notice is hereby given that the City of Crawfordsville herein referred to the Owner, will receive sealed bids for the 2024-2 Community Crossings Matching Grant – Application #13938, located in the City of Crawfordsville. nery County, Indiana

Sealed bids are invited and may be forwarded by mail, other courier service or in person to the City of Crawfordsville, Attn: Clerk Treasurer Karyn Douglas, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 until 10:00 am on January 29, 2025 Bids received after such hour will be returned unopened. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud at this time. Bids will then be taken under advisement for review by the owner and engineer.

The contract will consist of the following: 2024-2 CCMG Paving and associated work items of various streets

throughout the City of Crawfordsville. Complete sets of bidding documents may be viewed at www.hwcplanroom com. Electronic bidding documents are available for download at www. hwcplanroom.com for a non-refundable fee of \$25.00. A hard copy of the bidding documents may be ordered at www.hwcplanroom.com. The bidder will be

charged for printing and shipping costs for the hard copies. Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the Project and the name and address of Bidder. All bids must be submitted on the bid forms as identified in the Contract Documents

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable bidder's bond made payable to the Owner, in a sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid, which check or bond will be held by the Owner as evidence that the hidder will if awarded the contract, enter into the same with the Owner upon notification from him to do so within ten (10) days of said notification.

Approved performance and payment bonds guaranteeing faithful and prop-performance of the work and materials, to be executed by an acceptable surety company, will be required of the Contractor at the time he executes his contract. The bond will be in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid, or all bids, or to accept any

bid or bids, or to make such combination of bids as may seem desirable, and to waive any and all informalities in bidding. 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 sixty (60) days. 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.

Bids shall be properly and completely executed on bid forms included in

the Contract Documents. Bids shall include all information requested by Indiana Form 96 (Revised 2013) included in the Contract Documents If project is \$150,000 or more – State of Indiana requirement as of 7/2018,

Bidder is required to submit with bid a written plan for an employee drug testing program that complies with IC 4-13-18-5 and IC 4-13-18-6.

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.

Any questions shall be directed to Kevin Hay of HWC Engineering

by email only at khay@hwcengineering.com. The deadline for questions is Wednesday, January 22nd at 10:00 am. PL5012 1/8 1/15 2t hspaxlp

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS Montgomery County Highway Department 2025 Annual Bids

Notice is given that the Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County, Indiana will receive sealed Bids for the year 2025 for the following: pea gravel, sand, #8s gravel. These are to be delivered to the Commissioner's office at saint, 468 grave. These are to be derived to the Commissioner's Omerat the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row, Ste A Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933, no later than 2:00 p.m. (local time), Friday February 7, 2025 any bids received after 2:00 p.m. Friday February 7th, 2025 will be returned unopened to the bidder.

Interested bidders with questions should contact the Montgomery County Highway Department at (765) 362-2304 or via email, highway@ montgomerycounty in gov. All bids should be submitted on Indiana State Board of

All bids MUST have a signed Contractor's Nepotism-Policy Compliance Affidavit, Agreement Addendum Requiring e-Verify Compliance, Contractor's Affidavit HEA 1005 (2012) and Public Law 21 (2012) Compliance, Non-Collusion Affidavit.

All bids will be opened at a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Commissioners that will take place Monday, February 10, 2025 at 8:00 a.m., in the Community Meeting Room of the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row, Room 103, and Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933. The Highway Director will take all bids under advisement for review The Highway Director will make his recommendation for the bids at the

Montgomery County Commissioner's Meeting on Monday February 10, 2025 The Montgomery County Commissioners reserve the right to reject all bids if it determines it is in the County's best interest to do so and to waive any informality in bidding.

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### Crawfordsville High School 24-25 Semester 1 Honor Roll

#### 9th Grade High Honor Roll

Sevren Anderson, Caroline Bowling, Taylor Bray, Devan Cram, Karen Dominguez, Gabriel Elizondo, Elizabeth Ellingwood, Aiden French, Isabel Gerdes, Silas Hartnett, Baela Hensley, Jazmine Hernandez-Zavaleta, Mabel Hoar, Addison Huber, Dario Huesca, Magnolia Joyner, Melainah Kunkel, Graeme Mason, Sami Maurer, Carter McDorman, Cameron Morgan, Hailli Omundson, Mazi Perry, Owen Pierce, Dominic Pond, Nathanial Powell, Luke Rice, Sebastian Rice, Travis Roach, Ryan Rohr, Gabriella Saidian, Braeden Schlote, Alea Seward, Abigail Sheets, Peyton Stevens, Olivia Todd, Keira Toomey, Jahir Jarron Torres, Noe Torres, Tori Truax, Lauren Warui, Abby

#### 9th Grade Honor Roll Ashlyn Adams, Jose

Santiago Avila Zapien, Elizabeth Barrera Chinchilla, Dexter Black, Mila Blackwell, Brooklynn Brandeberry, Jade Brattain, Marcus Brumett, Alan Campos-Ortiz, Olivia Coffey, Savannah Cox, Jacey Crane, Averie Davies, Lyric Denman, Laikyn Dowell, Charity Edwards, Hillarie Gonzalez, Eleanor Hesler, Jackson Hill, Phoenix Hill, Hector Huesca, Molly Hunter,

Aiden Hutchison, Rinoa Kuchler, Aundreah Lewellen, Brayden Lewellen, Juliana Luna, Ledger Lyons, Namet Macegoza, Sophia Marsh, Naomi Martinez-Bolanos, Kristine McMahan, Brayleigh McMurry, Marco Montes Diaz, Ziah Morgan, Caiden Murray, James Oakley, Kaden Parker, Ella Patton, Clayton Pennington, Braxton Powell, Payton Pruett, Alexis Ratcliff, Ariah Richards, Anthony Rock, Rafael Rojas-Jacome, Victor Sanchez, Ian Sanders, Jencarlos Sarceno Torres, MacKenzie Scudder, Johnovan Smith, Jack Sweet, Trenton Tucker, Hunter Villines, Steven Vo, Emma Whiles-Gerold, Jayden Wray

#### Roll Elliot Baker, RaeAnn

10th Grade High Honor

Baker, Henry Bannon, Hannah Barnes, Camila Bellorin Lopez, Lauren Brosman, Olivia Brown, Siddalee Cotten, Brooklyn Crew, Kadyn Crowder, Zechariah Dolph, Emma Dominguez Munoz, Shawna Dowell, Sydney Elizondo, Edwin Fernandez, Serenity Fishero, Dio Freeze, Rebekah Fullenwider, Frankie Gaston, Landon Gerold, Crystal Gonzalez, Henry Hoar, Jude Hurt, Addison

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

IN THE MONTGOMERY SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY) CAUSE NO: 54D01-2410-MF-001247

Planet Home Lending, LLC Lacey N. Blanton, et al Defendants.

Plaintiff

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned: You are notified that you have been sued in the Cour above named. The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint on Note and for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described real estate:

LOTS NUMBERED 28 AND 29 AS THE SAME ARE KNOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE RECORDED PLAT OF STOW S. DETCHON'S SEVENTH ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF NEW RICHMOND, AND THE 10-FOOT ALLEY NORTH OF AND ADJOINING SAID LOTS 28 AND 29; AND THE WEST HALF OF THE ALLEY LYING EAST OF AND ADJOINING LOT 28; AND THE EAST HALF OF PRAIRIE STREET LYING WEST OF AND ADJOINING LOT 29, AS PER PLAT RECORDED AS PLAT BOOK 71, PAGI 157, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, More commonly known as: 106 W Detchon Street, New Richmond, IN

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This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are known to me. None

This Summons by Publication is also specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are unknown to me: The Unknown Heirs at Law of Lacey N. Blanton
In addition to the above-named Defendants being served by this Summons

there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit. 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.

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

will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded. SOTTILE & BARILE, LLC

By: /s/ Zarksis V. Daroga Dennis V. Ferguson (8474-49) Joel F. Bornkamp (27410-49) Zarksis V. Daroga (17288-49) Attorney for Plaintiff ATTEST:

Clerk of the Montgomery Superior Court PL5<u>017 1/8 1/15 1/22 3t hspaxlp</u>

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners of Montgomery County will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 8:00 am in the Community Room of the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row, CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN 47933 to hear amendment to Chapter 159, Article 21 Carbon Sequestration of Montgomery County Code. The amendment is available for viewing in the Building and Zoning office

at 1580 Constitution Row, CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN 47933 (765-364- 6490); office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, weekdays except holidays. The public is invited to attend the hearing to comment on the proposed amendments. Oral comments concerning the amendments will be heard.

Written comments and objections to the proposed amendments may also be submitted to The Montgomery County Commissioners at 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 or by email at (tom.klein@montgomerycounty.in.gov). 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 Montgomery County Commissioners office at 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 (765-361-2623).

This Notice Dated. January 10, 2025 Marc Bonwell

Building/Zoning Administrator
Montgomery County, IN

PL5022 1/15 1t hspaxlp The Town of New Ross will hold town meetings the second Thursday of

each month at the Town Hall at 5:30 pm/ Here is the list of the meeting dates for 2025. These are subject to change and will provide notification of those changes January 9, 2025 February 13, 2025 March 13, 2025 April 10, 2025

May 8, 2025 June 12, 2025 July 10, 2025 August 14, 2025 September 11, 2025 October 9, 2025 November 13, 2025 December 11, 2025

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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. 54C01-2408-MF-000939, wherein PNC Bank, National Association was Plaintiff, and Michelle L. Oakley was a Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree, with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highes bidder on the 12th day of February, 2025, 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 4, as the same is known and designated on the recorded plat of Cap Subdivision to Montgomery County, Indiana, as the same appears of office of Montgomery County, Indiana, as the same appears of the South More commonly known as 4 Gladiator Dr, Waynetown, IN 47990-8023

Parcel No. 54-05-14-443-039.004-037 Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be

nade without relief from valuation or appraisement laws

/s/ Matthew S. Love MATTHEW S. LOVE, Plaintiff Attorney Attorney # 18762-29 FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.

Refried L& HAINION, P.C. 8415 Allison Pointe Blvd., Suite 400 Indianapolis, IN 46250 (317) 237-2727 Ryan Needham, Sheriff Wayne Township

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

SERVICE DIRECTED TO: Michelle L. Oakley PO Box 472 Waynetown, IN 47990-0472

Service Type: Serve By Certified Mail NOTICE

FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C., IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.

#### 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 uperior Court of Montgomery County, Indiana, in Cause No. 54D02-2206 MF-000449, wherein Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper was Plaintiff, and Michael Reinken, et al., were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree, with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder on the 12th day of February, 2025, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, 600 Memorial Dr., Crawfordsville, IN 47933, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Montgomery County, Indiana:

LOTS 42 & 43, AS THE SAME ARE KNOWN AND DESIGNATED

ON THE RECORDED PLAT OF SHERWOOD FOREST, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INDIANA, AS THE SAME APPEARS OF RECORD IN DEED RECORD 182 PAGE 413 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INDIANA

More Commonly known as: 2946 W Shore Dr, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 Parcel No. 11-35-222-060.000-025

Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.

"Subject to all lines, encumbrances and easement of record not otherwise

extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause 54D02-2206-MF-000449 in the Superior Court of Montgomery County, Indiana," Plaintiff Attorney: C. Wesley Pagles

ATTORNEY NO. 37185-49 LOGS Legal Group LLP 4805 Montgomery Road, Suite 320 Norwood, OH 45212 (513) 396-8100 Fax: (847) 627-8805 cwpagles@logs.com Sheriff of Montgomery County Union Township 2946 W Shore Dr Crawfordsville, IN 47933 Street Address
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Vogel, Evan Watson,

Savanah Wethington-

Stout, Thomas Woods,

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## Southmont High School Honor Roll 2024-2025 Semester 1

### Grade 9 High Honor

Roll: Annie Alesi, Zoee Arthur, Jasmine Ashment, Owen Ball, Ella Barry, Madisen Bensen, Ava Bradshaw, Paxton Burris, Brita Cleek, Daxton Cottrell, Bethany Cregger, Jenna Evans, Ella France, Creed Gardner, Maggie Gilliland, Gavyn Gleason, Lakynn Hart, Quentin Hartman, Hannah Hester Madison Hester, Makinzie Highland, Judah Hoenshell, Emberlyn Hoskins-Sprague, Ethan Hutchison, Katarina Jennings, Bryor Johnson, Rebekah Johnson, Roslyn Keck, Margaret Klein, McKiah Lairson, Ella Largent, Haiden Leslie, Sophia Lockard, David Long, Claire McCutchan, Caden Miller, Ziva Moody, Arlon Musick, Lillie Otenburg, Carter Pattengale, Rhys Pearson, Kaycee Perez, Camryn Priebe, Keelyn Pruitt, Astrid Rabeyrin, Marin Rhoads, Amy Roeder, Damien Severe, Lane Slavens, Liam Trautwein, Allison Turner, Kaylee Turner,

Grade 9 Regular Honor Roll: Ava Arthur, Jackson Brown, Isabella

Kaylee Wallace, Ava

Wells.

Cade, Emily Campbell, Kooper Charles, Graci Cornelius, Hayden Cornelius, Reva Douglas, Ezekiel Endicott, Jasper Evans, Kaleb Frazier, Jackson Fruits, Emma Gleason, Aubrey Hall, Vivyan Haltom, Hayden Harkrider, Jayden Johnson, Makenzie Lacy, Marli Lawrence, Mariah Luera, Paul Malone, Lucas Mitchell, Zachary Roach, Kaelynn

Sanburn, Lukas Scott,

Drake Severe, Malcom

Simpson, Molly Slavens, Abigail Smith, Khloe Spencer, Espen Sutton, Hunter Thompson, Caden White, Brooklynn Willhite, Jasmin Wilson, Lillian Zimmerman.

Grade 10 High Honor Roll: Lino Aguiar, Indeya Albertson, Alizabeth Brown, Lily Bushong, Roarie Bushong, Bronson Clark, Makenzie Clate, Tyler Cregger, Samantha Crosby, Landon Dagley, Lillian Davis, Emmalie Dexter, Jacea Edwards, Paxton Gentry, Jaiden Golladay, Layla Gomez, Landon Grimes, Eden Hernandez, Kimber Hill, Addison Kendricks, Claire Kessler, Kalee Knox, Emerie Lieske, Dean McGaughey, Samaya Morton, Hayden Overfelt, Luke Parker, Trent Reeves, Natalie Rhoads, Addilynn Riggen, Amarah Shannon, Layla Shaw, Daniel Simpson, Hunter Slavens, Rhianah Smith, Lauren Snider, Jessica Starnes, William Stumph, Layla Testerman, Marlena Trautwein, Alexis Weiler, Makinzie Wood, Lennon Woods.

Honor Roll: Teddy Bacchus, Isaac Becerril, Andrew Blaydes,

Grade 10 Regular

Savannah Bradley, Edwin Burris, Gabryel Cheesman, Brayden Cochran, Jayden Conrad, Kyler Coudret, McCallister Dalton, Kayden Davis, Marley Dillon, Damian Douglas, Alicia France, Jaycee Geralds, Gavin Gray, Zeke Higgins, Josiah Lacy, Camden Laney, Emily Link, Davis Mason, Olivia Phelps, Abel Prado, Madelyn

Roberts, Michael

Schindler, Cooper

Scott, Jaycee Todd,

Thomas Veach, Molly Williams.

### **Grade 11 High Honor**

**Roll:** Christopher Anthony Badillo, Spencer Cass, Cale Chadd, Konner Conkright, Elijah Cornett, Darby Cottrell, Caroline Cox, McKennah Dalton, Taylan Dinius, Isabella Elless, James Elliot, Karley Fisher, Tyler Godwin, Camden Haile, Collin Hall . Havlee Hall Jolie Hoenshell, Rileigh Hoopert, Jameson Keough, Myah Knox, Mallory Liffick, Ginevra Mancusi, Owen McCutchan, Kolie Murphy, Natalie Nelson, Flora Nunes DeCarvalho, Kadee Plank, Carson Powell, Tovi Powell, Kendyll Priebe, Luc Rabeyrin, Sophia Shannon, Ethan Smith, Ian Snook, Avery Stokes, Heath Tolliver, Tyler Walls, Emilee Wethington.

### Roll: Isabella Alarcon,

Grade 11 Regular Honor

David Allen, Brooklyn Bensen, Cloe Blankenship, Andrew Bliss, Cohen Bradley, Savannah Chesser, Parker Church, Jaysa Crull, Mackenzie Douglas, Gavin Downey, Gabriel Faulk, Austin Foley, Davis Fulford, Kyleigh Johnson, Jozee Jones, Ethan Keck, Kevin Keller, Chazz Long, Milton Malone, Brayden Mason, Madison Minor, Jaysa Moulton, Kate Myers, Audrey Patterson, Maxwell Rivers, Chloey Ross, Emma Scott, Gunnar Shirk, John Smaltz, Darrell Starcher, Blake Stark, Griffin Troy, Taylor Wolverton, Robert Braedon Woods.

#### Grade 12 High Honor Roll: Zoe Albertson,

Caden Allen, Clayton

Allen, Delayne Bertram

Gabe Brenda, Makayla

Brown, Kendyll

Bullerdick, Jackson

Heath Chesser, Aaliyah Cousin, McCayden Dalton, Tyler Davis, Gary Faulk, Megan Fox,

Elijah Freeland, Jenna Grino, Logan Hardin, Dylan Howell, Micah Kiger, Hunter McArthur, Noah Myers, Payton Robbins, Clair Simpson, Aubrey Snow, Adriana Thornburg, Ally Wallace, Tanner Woods.



### LWV

24/7. These professionals put protocols in place and ensure that staff are trained to dispense medication.

"She's not my employee," said Needham. "I'm not a doctor. I have no business supervising a nurse, you know?" His predecessor, Mark Casteel, had previously supervised health professionals. "I know when Mark was sheriff, the nurse was a county employee, and Mark was responsible for her. And he was like, 'I am a police officer. How am I supposed to know?""

Casteel and Needham both kept in-house food service, along with commissary.

"Our kitchen goes well above and beyond," said Needham. "Our menus are approved yearly by a licensed dietician, and I believe we exceed the recommended calorie intake on every meal. I know several facilities have begun outsourcing their kitchen and meals but we have not. I have no doubt that some facilities probably do cut corners but this is not something we do. Our food is very good, and I believe most of the inmates would agree with this."

Casteel was the first sheriff to set up any contract, the one with the communications that now gives inmates access to tablets, including the free libraries, and the fee-based texting, music and video services.

Outsourcing these services in prisons tracks with trends across other industries. Outsourcing allows prisons – like hospitals – to focus on their mission. Still, it reveals some of the vulnerabilities in achieving the best outcomes, those called upon by the LWV and other prison policy reform groups.

Consider the experience of Paul (introduced in Part 1 of the series). whose experience was typical.

"The county jail here is a much easier jail than a lot of other Maryland jails," said Paul. "Still my first week was 100 percent the hardest time you could ever imagine. And not even having to deal with other inmates, just mentally getting acclimated to it." He spent his first day in holding, the first stop after arrest. It's the long wait where the charges, mug shots and figuring out where to put a new prisoner are sorted. "So you spend your first whole day just kind of shuffling around the system and not knowing what to expect."

"The way my county jail works is they have a quarantine system." This is a new step since COVID. It remains policy in eastern Maryland, where the population is more dense. It could be three to five days and ensures a new prisoner won't be introducing a serious communicable disease to a close community.

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"Because I was detoxing off of alcohol, I got a 14day quarantine with supervision. And then also got the privilege of spending some time in the segregation or solitary unit, because they thought I was suicidal."

It's not unusual.

"Statistically speaking, I mean, if you are going to harm yourself over being distraught or being arrested, the humiliation and all that, if you're going to attempt suicide, you are going to do that within the first 48 hours," said Needham, explaining the isolation.

Locally, Needham says intake may be shorter, depending on how busy it is. It may also be lengthened if an inmate is under the influence.

"We have two padded cells that are full every day," said Needham. "Whether you're violent, whether you're suicidal, whether you're having a mental breakdown. It's not right, but there's nowhere else to put them."

"That is probably one of the top five biggest aggravators in my law enforcement career, especially the last 10 years. We talk and talk about mental health, and nothing's done. It's a catchphrase, but I don't think we're any better off today than we were five years ago."

Needham noted that there is nowhere to take people with complex mental health issues.

"The last place they need to be is here, but this was the only place," Needham said. "Coast to coast, we're all fighting that issue. We have mental health as part of our medical contract, but it's minimal. I mean, we have it. But if you're truly having a mental breakdown or mental issues that need chronic care, you're not going to get them in jail."

Paul's account concurs. "One of my biggest issues with the jail system, even being in one of the easier jails in Maryland is that they do nothing for mental stability. They have a counselor or a therapist there. You go in and see her and her whole objective is to figure it out or not, whether you're going to kill yourself. And that's it. They offer you no therapy. They offer you no guidance, especially somebody that's not ever dealt with the prison system before."

"And there's no kind of structure for that. They do this five-minute interview with you and they say, oh, suicidal. They take your clothes; they take everything you have. They put you in what we call the turtle suit, but it's a big giant Velcro suit thing. And you get to sit alone in the cell with nothing for a week and a half."

Paul's local jail had three levels. "Initially you're on level three, which means they come and check on

you every hour. You get

nothing. That's my biggest problem with having to deal with all of this. And I understand they have to cover their butts on things like that. But I also think they could offer some sort of mental structure for people who are going through it. Because that's a trauma that just builds on everything else that I think is not needed."

Compounding psychological stress, isolation from positive social networks - church and family – and sequestering inmates with others in similar situations often have the undesirable effect of increasing recidivism. It cuts inmates off from resources that will help them reintegrate without repeated arrests.

Prisoners with long sentences spend their first weeks in a local jail before being transferred to a state prison. The transfer includes a stop in a facility not unlike Paul's intake.

Zach (from part 2 of the series) was sent to the transfer facility a week before Christmas. His mother Trudy received no warning because jails don't communicate with families and inmates in the facility do not have tablets, visits, texts or phone calls. Only able to write letters, Zach wrote of being in lockdown 23 hours a day, of a lack of fruits and vegetables, of bologna as a constant meat source. He will remain there indefinitely until the state determines where to place him.

Zach's experience can be somewhat understood by watching the Netflix documentary Unlocked, in which an Arkansas sheriff experiments with ending similar 23-hour lockdowns, encouraging self-governance in a unit and allowing all calls to be free. Such experiments aim to build skills that better prepare inmates for a more successful life outside of prison and to achieve "correction."

Final note: The Indiana Department of Corrections (IDOC) did not respond to a request for an interview, nor did it provide responses to questions about contracts, kickbacks, health and food concerns as well as the impact on families. They did provide the following statement via email:

The Indiana Department of Correction contracts with ViaPath (also known as Global Tel Link(GTL) for incarcerated individual communications services, Aramark for food services to the population, and Centurion for medical services. Money collected from the IDOC's contractual partners is allocated in a variety of ways that include funding rehabilitative programming for the incarcerated population. These contracts are available for public viewing on the Indiana

Transparency Portal at

in.gov/itp/. The IDOC

# Back in the Day with Butch Dale



One of Crawfordsville's most famous citizens was Will Hays, Jr. He was an attorney, Hollywood TV script writer, best-selling novelist and served as Crawfordsville mayor from 1964 to 1971.

holds each contractual partner accountable for these agreements. If the standards agreed upon in the contract are not maintained, the IDOC will terminate the agreement within the agreed upon terms of the contract. Visitor lists for each incarcerated individual are maintained to ensure continued safety and security within the facility and to the general public.

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, multiissue political organization which encourages informed and active participation in government. For information about the League, visit the website www.lwv montcoin.org; or, visit the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County, Indiana Facebook



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#### North Montgomery Middle School Semester 1 Honor Roll

#### All A Honor Roll

#### 6th

Meya Bauer, Ada Bonwell, Caroline Brooks, Hunter Burge, Kaybrie Carpenter, Nolan Catlin, Hunter Delp, Corah Edwards, Ethan Fruits, Jaxson Hayes, Easton Horton, Kaybree Hughes, Matthew Hunsberger, Alaina Hunter, Jozlyn Hyams, Leston Jones, Christian Lagunes Gonzalez, Kalisa McComas, Alexander Nielsen, Charles Powell, Jessica Riehle, Aaron Welch, Lucas Woolwine.

Harper Allen, Santiago Amigon, Luke Arthur, Easton Barker, Cash Cole, Westin Craig, Will Dark, EmmaRae Davis, Kinley Deener, Brynlynn Fitch, Easton Fried, Danielle Fulford, Reese Fultz, Mason Grimes, Maranda Higgins, Trevor Hintz, Madison Horton, Nolan Jeffery, Ethan King, Haleigh King, Lorelei Leaming, Carson Neal, Olivia Nuppnau, Kayden Page, Savanah Ratcliff, Strom Schenck, Ellie Shirar, Addison Stephens, Graham Swyers, Alice Templeman, Aidan Todd

#### 8th

Dawson Bell, Abigail Cain, Austin Campbell, Preslee Claycomb, Colee Cunningham, Reagan Hernandez, D'Let Herrera, Annie Hess, Garrett Hudson, Addison Johnson, Bridgette Laws, Danielle Martin, Kinley McCoy, Erin McKinney, Gracelyn Neal, Mary Katharine Patterson, Hattie Patton, Kendra Pulley, Jetta Rexing, Delilah Stone, Haydee Viveros, Nolan Warren.

### A/B Honor Roll

6th Autumn Blythe, Skyler Bolgren, Rachelle Brackman, Ora Brooke, Christian Brown, Qwinton Carey, Paola Carrion, Adalyn Caswell, Jaxon Cohee, Hunter Conkright, Hunter Cook, Gavin Cope, Treycin Cope, Alexander Cordoba Hueto, Harper Crawford, Tyler Dutton, Drake Elliott, Londyn Gayler, Jordyn Greenlee, Liam Hall, Rachel Hess, Colter Jenkins, Zara Johnson, Nolan Kelp, Chloie Kinnett, Hudson Lewis, Dixon Lutes, Audrey Maish, Kinzie McElheny, Giavanni Minick, Tiona Mitchell, Daniel

Murdock, Matthew Myers, Naomi Neal, Oliver Neese, Kyran Oppy, Eloise Osborne, Annabelle Paschke, Mackenna Peebles, Brooklynn Pierce, Haddey Rice, Alexis Sanders, Archer Schmitt, Shiloh Seymour, Asher Simpkins, Madison Skinner, Madalynn Sparks, Bryson Stephens, Brody Temple, Kamden Tyler, Julian Veach, Edgar Viveros, Scarlett Webb, Zayne West, Boston Wheeldon, Allayna Wilbur, Monroe Wilcox, Addilynn Wood

#### 7th

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