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TODAY'S VERSE

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

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Hey, don't forget to lose an hour of sleep Saturday . . . uh, I mean set your clocks forward for daylight savings time. Oh, and REAL Hoosiers weren't surprised with a dusting of snow this week. After all, it's sectional time

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Ask Rusty - Can I Get Extra Social Security for my Military Service?



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Dear Rusty:

Rusty

Please help. I served from 1964 to 1966 in the US Army. I have been trying to contact Social Security in order to request extra benefits for veterans. The telephone is a recording, and you never get to speak to anyone. The web site at www.ssa.gov is useless to me. I went to the SS office and there was a huge line outdoors in the freezing cold. I am disabled and cannot stand on a line in this cold. Please advise me about my options. Financially, is it worth the trouble?

Signed: Disabled American Veteran

Dear Disabled Veteran:

My profound thanks for your service to our country. FYI, the "special extra credit for military service" you refer to does not provide an incremental Social Security benefit amount for military veterans.

Rather, it adds an additional amount to your recording earnings for the years you served, which may - or may not - affect your Social Security benefit. FYI, I've written numerous articles on this topic, one of which you can read at this link: www.socialsecurityreport. org/ask-rusty-olderveteran-asks-aboutspecial-social-securitycredit-for-militaryservice/.

In your case (serving between 1964 and 1966), if you told Social Security of your military service when you applied for benefits (or gave them a copy of your DD-214), they would have added up to \$1,200 per year to your recorded military pay record (FYI, those who served after 1967 were automatically given earnings credit for their military service years).

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Three Strategies to Help Support Your Health as We "Spring" Forward

By Dr. Gary Grosel Chief Medical Officer UnitedHealthcare of Indiana

With spring nearly here, people in Indiana and across the country will contend with an annual tradition many would rather skip: The shift to daylight saving time.

The process of "springing forward" means losing an hour of sleep, which can disrupt our daily routines and may have various health implications, including an increased risk of heart attacks, mood disturbances and accidents such as car crashes.

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The Role of Blue **Light Cystoscopy**

(StatePoint) When John noticed blood in his urine, he consulted his doctor and was quickly referred to a urologist. (John is a composite character, based on the experiences of real-life patients.)

John was diagnosed with bladder cancer using White Light Cystoscopy, a simple procedure for diagnosing non-muscle invasive bladder cancer. While this is the

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The free concert is a week from Sunday, March 16 and a free-will offering goes to the Animal Welfare League.

Sweet Country Coming to Downtown C'ville

WANT To Go:

When: Sunday, March 16 Time: 4 p.m.

Where: Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church, 307 S. Washington in Crawfordsville

Who: Sweet Country and the Dog Biscuits, a fourpiece folk band that uses bass, guitar, ukelele, mandolin and keyboard to entertain with oldies, bluegrass, gospel and folk music.

Why: It's part of the ongoing Concerts on the Corner series from the good folks at Wabash Avenue Presbyterian

Concerts on the Corner welcomes Sweet Country and the Dog Biscuits to kick off its second season at Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Indiana singer and songwriter Amy Vanator leads the fourpiece folk band that uses bass, guitar, ukelele, mandolin and keyboard to entertain with oldies, bluegrass, gospel and folk music. All are welcome to the free concert Sunday, March 16 beginning at 4 p.m. A freewill offering supports the **Montgomery County Animal** Welfare League.

A spokesperson for Concerts said the attendance and success of the initial series in 2024 encouraged them to continue spreading the love of God through the joy of music and set up an exciting variety of concerts for 2025. The additional spring concerts will bring back popular Facebook sensation, dueling pianists Cameron Cody and James Kelly, May 2. Classical violinist, Ben Abel and Friends will perform June 1. Fall concerts include a surprise event with Jesse MacLeod Oct. 11.

Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church is located at 307 S. Washington in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville.

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Kindness is contagious – surround yourself with giving people.

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

- Indiana Newspapers are having a rally day at the Indiana Statehouse on March 19 and would love for you to come along. Here's the scoop. State lawmakers are trying to take legal notices out of newspapers and put them on a government website. Not only would that be like the fox guarding the henhouse, but it will cost taxpayers more than they are currently spending. It will also hurt, perhaps severely, some Hoosier newspapers. So at 11 a.m. newspapers from all over Indiana are going to the Statehouse to show our opposition to the move - and we hope readers join us! Newspapers are a part of Indiana history and an important part of an open government. The Founding Fathers thought so and put it right there in the First Amendment. We'd love it if you would help us preserve that! We hope to see you March 19!
- Nominations for the 2025 John Arnold Award for Rural Preservation are open through Indiana Landmarks and Indiana Farm Bureau. The award recognizes the preservation and continued agricultural use of historic farms and farm buildings in Indiana. More than 30 historic farms across the state have been honored with the award. Nominations and more information can be found at indianalandmarks.org/john-arnold-award-ruralpreservation. Deadline is April 15.
- The Indiana Department of Environmental Management has extended the application/nomination deadline 2025 Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence. Applications or nominations are now due by 11:59 p.m., March 16. This marks the 32nd year the awards have been given to celebrate innovative projects with measurable environmental benefits. Nomination forms and instructions are available at idem.IN.gov/partnerships/ governors-awards-for-environmental-excellence.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"In a time of deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act." George Orwell

TODAY'S JOKE

Can February March? No, but April May.

MONTGOMERY MINUTE

We have free tickets to the **Indiana Flower & Patio Show** ready and waiting for YOU! All you have to do is take a selfie with you and our front page (print or online doesn't matter) and email it to news@ thepaper24-7.com. If we publish your picture (and we will!), you win two to four free tickets – valued at \$15 each! The Show is one of the oldest flower shows in the U.S. and goes on March 15-23 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. Don't pass up the chance for free tickets and a great day! Snap that selfie and email it to us today!

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Robert Smith

September 21, 1973 - March 2, 2025

Robert "Bobby" Brian Smith, age 51 of Crawfordsville, passed away Sunday March 2, 2025, peacefully at Franciscan Indianapolis. He was the



adoptive son of Robert L Smith and Bettie J (Hutchens) Smith Cole. He was born September 21, 1973 in Columbus Indiana.

He attended Crawfordsville Schools and made his home with his dad in Crawfordsville. He loved to sing, was always happy, had a very sweet soul and everyone loved him. He enjoyed attending Grace and Mercy Ministries and loved spending time with his family.

He is survived by his dad, Robert L. Smith of Crawfordsville; his mother, Bettie (Dave) Cole of Lafayette; a nephew, Jason Todd Lehr; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his step-mother, Anita Sue Smith and a sister Lee Anne Lehr.

A gathering of family and friends will be at Sanders Funeral Care, 315 S Washington St, in Crawfordsville on Monday, March 10, 2025 from 1:00pm till the time of the funeral service at 2:00pm with Donna Dickerson officiating. Burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery in Wingate. Share memories and condolences online at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

Free Computer Classes at Library

Do computers mystify you? Are you often lost at the keyboard? Then the Crawfordsville District Public Library and the Montgomery **County Community** Foundation may have just the thing for you.

Three programs aimed at beginners are scheduled, Word for Beginners, PowerPoint for Beginners and Computers for Beginners. The class on Word is set for March 11 and those in attendance will be shown how to create and save documents in Microsoft Word. On

March 18, the PowerPoint class will teach participants how to create slideshows and presentations with Microsoft PowerPoint. And for those not sure where to even start with a computer, the March 25 class teaches the basics on how to navigate a computer.

The laptops that are used in these classes were paid for by a grant from the Foundation. All the classes are free and begin at 6 p.m. in Meeting Room E at the Library. To register, just go to cdpl.lib.in.us

College of Health Sciences and Professions student Gabriel Zull of Crawfordsvlle,IN has been named to OHIO's Fall 2024 Dean's List.

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Sheri Bethard, President of the Master Gardeners of **Montgomery County** will be hosting a Plant Propagation class Saturday, March 29, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Exhibit Hall on the 4-H Fairgrounds. This class is FREE to all interested in learning how to propagate new plants from plants you currently have.

We will provide all the necessary supplies needed and show how to grow new plants from cuttings, along with other ways of making new plants.



You only need to bring is a fresh cutting about 6-8 inches long with you to the class.

Best time to take the cutting is just prior to coming to class. Wrap the stem with a wet paper towel and place in a bag for transporting to class. If you are not able to take the cutting the morning of our class, you can do as above and put in the refrigerator overnight but be sure the paper towel stays moist. If you do not have a plant to take a cutting from, we will have some available to use.

Please register by emailing montco inemg@gmail.com or call (317) 563-1301 to leave a message. Space is limited.

Rehab Program for Low-Income Homeowners Announced

An informational meeting for the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program in Montgomery County is scheduled for Thursday, March 13, at 3 p.m., at the Crawfordsville District Public Library, 205 S. Washington St. Homeowners can get programming information and staff will be available to assist with applications.

Thrive West Central recently announced the launch of the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program in Montgomery County. The Office of Community and Rural Affairs has partnered with Thrive to make this opportunity possible. This \$450,000 grant is designed to provide financial assistance of up to \$25,000 for select rehabilitation activities. These funds are designed to help improve the quality of life for recipients in the county.

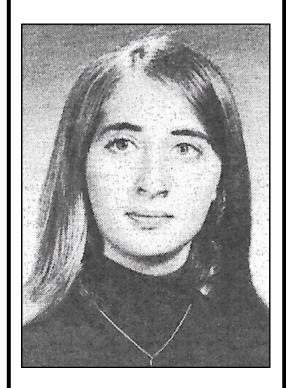
Selective rehabilitation activities include radon remediation, water heater repairs/replacements,

heating and / or cooling repairs/ replacement, roof repairs / replacements and exterior ADA accessibility (such as ramps and handrails). To be eligible for this program, individuals must live in Montgomery County, own and live in the home for which they seek funds and meet HUD low-to-moderate income limits.

Partners include the Area Agency on Aging, the Montgomery County Health Department, the Veteran's Office and county trustee offices. Applications will be available at these sites and can also be found at https://wkf.ms/ 42j5Ljc.

If you are a contractor and are interested in bidding on these projects, please register using this link, https://wkf.ms/3Cs7zvy , or visit www.thrive westcentral.com. For more information, please contact Kristine Krueger at (812) 238-1561, ext. 259, by email at kkrueger@thrive westcentral.com, or visit www.thrive westcentral.com.

Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize This 1972 North **Montgomery Grad?**

HINT: She became a whiz at banking and finances.

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phone, as well as trying to visit SSA offices without an appointment (which is why our AMAC Foundation provides this free service). SSA is now allowing in-person visits "by appointment only" and you can call the above number to schedule an in-person appointment at your local SSA office. But before you do, please consider what I've said above. And remember that your SS benefit is based on the highest earning 35 years over your entire lifetime and each year represents only 1/35th of your benefit amount. So, is it worth the trouble? That depends on whether your military earnings, including the "special extra credits for military service," are among the highest over your entire lifetime. If the answer is "yes" then it is likely worth it; if "no" then perhaps

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Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia

Answer: Vicki (Smith) Lutes

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traditional diagnostic approach in most urology offices, it has limitations that can affect patient outcomes.

With WLC, it can be difficult to detect small lesions or flat lesions, such as carcinoma in situ. These missed tumors create the potential for cancer recurrence and the need for multiple transurethral resection of bladder tumors procedures. John, like many patients who receive WLC, had residual tumors after his initial TURBT and underwent multiple procedures to remove them.

John's story is common and highlights the importance of accurate detection in early-stage bladder cancer. Fortunately, an enhanced procedure exists that significantly improves the visibility of bladder cancer lesions, especially hard-to-detect tumors like CIS. Blue Light Cystoscopy uses an FDA-approved imaging agent - not a dye that makes cancer cells glow bright pink under blue light. The BLC procedure uses both white and blue lights to help achieve the best possible detection results. When fewer tumors are missed, it reduces the need for repeat procedures, while also offering a more complete picture of the tumor situation. This information can lead to a more accurate diagnosis and inform more appropriate treatment moving forward.

Patients diagnosed with bladder cancer should be aware that BLC is not available in all hospitals and medical centers, so patients may need to do some research to find a urologist who offers this procedure.

BLC also requires the administration of the imaging agent, which means patients must arrive at least one hour before the procedure to be prepped.

After John's experiences with WLC, he reached out to a urologist who offers the BLC enhanced detection option. Using BLC, his urologist identified additional tumors, and the resulting more-precise diagnosis improved his follow-up care and required fewer surgeries down the line. As John learned, BLC at the outset could have limited his cycle of missed tumors and repeated surgeries.

According to medical experts, patients should not have to wait until their second or third TURBT to receive the BLC enhanced detection option. Better tumor detection has the potential to provide better data to drive more accurate diagnosis. The sooner a patient is properly diagnosed, the sooner the best possible treatment can be administered.

While WLC remains a valuable tool, incorporating BLC enhances the process and, as a result, can lead to improved detection that can drive improved outcomes for bladder cancer patients.

Given the many advantages of Blue Light Cystoscopy in detecting NMIBC tumors, patients should consider exploring this option and speaking with their urologist about it. To find a list of locations that offer BLC, visit: rebrand.ly/Locations-For-BLC.

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Here are three strategies to consider:

Modify and optimize your sleep routine. During the days before the time change (this year on March 9), aim to shift your bedtime 15 minutes earlier each night. Doing this may help minimize the potential of feeling tired after the change, reducing the impact of losing an hour of sleep all at once. Furthermore, taking

steps to optimize your sleep routine may prove beneficial amid the shift to daylight savings time and yearround. Potential tactics can include adding a sleep mask (or blackout curtains) to minimize night-time exposure to light, which studies show may contribute chronic conditions such as diabetes and weight gain. Also, skip consuming caffeine and alcohol during the evening, and stop eating food about three hours before shuteye, as digesting food may disrupt sleep quality.

Get active earlier in the day. One benefit of the move to daylight saving time is the potential for additional sun exposure, which is a crucial source of vitamin D and helps regulate our

wake/sleep cycles. However, while research shows sunlight exposure during the morning can help promote sleep, too much light exposure - including artificial sources such as TVs, smartphones and tablets - late in the day and evening may suppress melatonin and reduce sleepiness. On the Sunday after the time change, make it a point to get outside early in the day for at least 30 to 60 minutes, ideally for some exercise such as a walk, run or bike ride.

adolescents. During the days after the time change, 55% of people report experiencing tiredness. That posttime-change grogginess may be why one study found the risk of fatal car crashes increased by 6%. For teenagers, another study found during the days after the time change that students were sleepier, had slower reaction times and were less focused. With the twice-a-year time change a reality for now, considering these tips may ease the

transition during the

spring and fall and

support your well-

being all year.

Exercise caution while

driving, especially



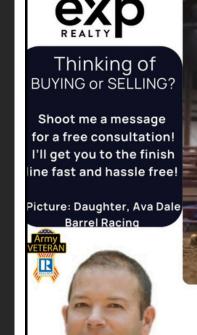
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Records Made to be Broken . . . Maybe Not These



as an unbreakable record but some THOMPSON standards Columnist are more out of reach than others.

There's really

no such thing

In Major League Baseball there's Cy Young's 511 victories and Joe DiMaggio's 56game hitting streak. Wilt Chamberlain's 100point game hasn't been approached by another NBA player. No NFL team has come close to the 73 points the Chicago Bears scored in the 1940 championship game against Washington.

Three long-standing Purdue men's basketball records - ranging from 44 to 54 years - have been eclipsed in the past two seasons by two-time National Player of the Year Zach Edey (career points/rebounds) and junior point guard Braden Smith (career assists). But there are plenty of others that it's safe to say will remain unbroken in our lifetimes. Here's 10 "unbreakable" Purdue men's basketball records.

Rick Mount's career scoring average

In a mere 72 games from 1967 to 1970, Mount averaged 32.2 points a game. "The Rocket" shattered Dave Schellhase's record of 28.8 points per game from 1964-66.

No Boilermaker since has come close to Mount's standard. Glenn Robinson averaged 27.5 points a game in his two seasons at Purdue.

Mount also owns the single-season scoring average record of 35.4, set in just 20 games during the 1969-70 season.

Minutes played in a

Don Beck, Dennis Blind, Joe Sexson and Dan Thornburg were true iron men on the night of Jan. 29, 1955, playing all 70 minutes of Purdue's 59-56, six-overtime loss at Minnesota.

The score was deadlocked at 47 to begin the first overtime. Beck won the tipoff and the Boilermakers held the ball against Minnesota's zone defense the entire fiveminute period. Blind missed a long jump shot in the final seconds. Rinse and repeat in the second overtime, this time with Beck missing a jumper before the buzzer.

Purdue held the ball again in the third overtime, with Thornburg missing a shot in the final seconds. Minnesota won the fourth overtime tipoff and held the ball for all but 18 seconds. Sexson stole a deflected pass but he too missed a chance to end the game.

The scoring drought ended in the fifth overtime thanks to Sexson's layup 35

seconds into the fiveminute period. Minnesota tied the game at 49 with 2:45 to play, and Purdue once again held the ball for the last shot. Journal and Courier sports editor Gordon Graham wrote that the Gophers seemed to have committed goaltending on Sexson's final shot but the referee did not make the call.

Purdue won the tip for the sixth overtime and took a 52-49 lead on three Blind free throws. Purdue center Ted Dunn fouled out after playing 66 minutes and the Boilermakers leading 54-51. The Gophers closed the game on an

Mount's 61 vs. Iowa

The senior guard set three records on Feb. 28, 1970, reaching that point total on 27 of 47 shooting from the field. Years later, it was revealed that had the 3-point shot been available, Mount would have scored 74.

Overshadowing that memorable performance was the outcome. Iowa came away with a 108-107 victory to dethrone the Boilermakers as Big Ten champions. The Hawkeyes were aided by a technical foul called on the Purdue fans for throwing a wad of paper onto the court. Journal and Courier sports editor Bruce Ramey wrote that some Purdue people claimed the paper came from the lowa fan section.

Only three players in Purdue history have scored 50 or more in a game: Mount did it three times, Terry Dischinger twice and Schellhase once.

Mount's 61 points came in the midst of a hot streak that saw him score 40 against Illinois and 42 against Minnesota in the previous games before Iowa. Needless to say, Mount owns the records for points in consecutive games (103) and three consecutive games

Single-game rebounding

The oldest Purdue basketball record recently celebrated its 74th birthday.

On Feb. 19, 1951, Carl McNulty played his greatest game as a Boilermaker. Not only did he set the singlegame scoring record with 34 points in an 81-78 victory against Minnesota, the future Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame coach collected 27 rebounds. The 6-3 McNulty was barely outrebounded by the Gophers, who collected 29.

McNulty also set the single-season scoring record that night with 314 points over 20 games.

To put McNulty's record in perspective,

the career bests of two

of Purdue's greatest rebounders - Zach Edey and Caleb Swanigan - was 22. The longtime career rebounding recordholder, Joe Barry Carroll, never had a 20-rebound game. Terry Dischinger came close twice with 26 against Wisconsin in 1960 and 24 against Illinois in 1962.

Consecutive made field goals

I could give Purdue fans young and old 20 guesses and most likely they would not come up with the answer.

George Faerber, better known to a generation of TV viewers as Mr. Bee Window, was successful on 15 consecutive shots over three games from March 9-21, 1971. Faerber was 12 of 12 against Iowa on March 13, another record which stands to this

Usually the fourth offensive option after Bob Ford, Larry Weatherford and William Franklin, Faerber scored a game-high 26 points in a 110-84 romp that closed the regular season.

Free throws made in a

Zach Edey wasn't the first Purdue big man who could draw fouls in bunches.

On the night of Feb. 27, 1961, Terry Dischinger single-handedly fouled out four Iowa players in a 73-62 victory at Iowa City. The 6-7 Dischinger sank a record 21 of his 24 free throws and finished with a game-high 35

Officials called 59 fouls, 31 on the Hawkeyes, which resulted in 84 free throw attempts. Purdue was 30 of 43 to offset 27 percent field goal shooting.

Blocked shots in a

Joe Barry Carroll completed the first and most unusual triple-double in Boilermaker history during his sophomore season with 11 blocked shots.

Carroll added 16 points and 16 rebounds to help Purdue hold off host Arizona 80-78.

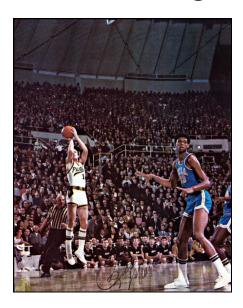
No other Boilermaker has reached doubledigit blocked shots in a

Career rebounding average The three best single-

season rebounding averages belong to Dischinger, including his 14.3 total as a sophomore in 1960. The Terre Haute native collected 348 rebounds in 23 games.

Dischinger averaged 13.4 rebounds a game as a junior and a senior to conclude a career that saw him record 54 double-doubles.

Season free throw



Photos courtesy Purdue Athletics

The Rocket from Lebanon still holds several records.

Terry Dischinger fouled out four players in one game.

percentage

No radio announcer could jinx Henry Ebershoff at the free throw line during the 1965-66 season.

The former standout from Lafayette Central Catholic shot 90.7 percent at the line during George King's first season as Purdue coach. Ebershoff was 88 of 97 to become the first of only two Boilermakers to shoot 90 percent from the free throw line for a season.

Consecutive free throws made

The other is Robbie Hummel, who shot 90.2 percent during the 2009-10 season.

The foundation of that success rate was a school record 36 consecutive made free throws. The Purdue media guide does not list any other players in that category.

Honorable mention

Other noteworthy records that just miss falling into the

unbreakable designation: Bruce Parkinson's 18 assists vs. Minnesota in 1975; Ricky Hall's eight steals in 1983 against Louisville; Glenn Robinson's 1,030 points during the 1993-94 season; Stephen Scheffler's singleseason (.708) and career field goal percentage (.685); Brian Walker's 88 steals in 1979; Joe Barry Carroll's season (105 in 1978) and career (349) blocked shots; Terry Dischinger's 13.7 career rebounding average and 713 free throws made in 70 games; Jerry Sichting's .867 free throw percentage (273 of 315) from 1976-79; Chris Kramer's 274 career steals from 2007-10 and Bruce Parkinson's 112 consecutive games started from 1973-77. Parkinson, by the way, started every game of his Purdue career.

Footnote

In a recent column I recalled the story of baseball commissioner Ford Frick's unofficial ruling in 1961 that the

record book should list Roger Maris as the 162-game home run champion and Babe Ruth as the 154-game record-holder.

The 2024-25 Purdue men's basketball media guide breaks down the Boilermaker career scoring records by one-, two-, threeand four-year players.

Kyle Macy scored 373 points during the 1975-76 season before transferring to Kentucky. Glenn Robinson's 1,706 points is the two-year standard. Rick Mount's 2,323 points is unchallenged as the three-year record, and Zach Edey is the overall scoring champion with 2,516.

Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.



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Sen. Deery Shares Update

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Assembly reached its halftime point for session last week, which **Guest Columnist** means bills

must have passed out of their original chamber to continue through the legislative process.

This year, 156 of the 521 introduced Senate bills passed out of the Senate and moved on to the House of Representatives.

Nearly half of the Senate bills passed with unanimous support and more than 90% passed with bipartisan support.

On Monday, March 3, the Senate will reconvene and begin considering the 178 bills approved by the House of Representatives, including the state's next two-year budget.

As always, I encourage you to reach out to me with any questions or comments you may have. I can be reached by filling out a "Contact Me" form online at www.Indiana SenateRepublicans. com/Deery or by phone at 800-382-9467.

THANK YOU TO THE

Vermillion County Chamber of Commerce for the invite to be the keynote at their annual dinner in Clinton on Tuesday.

I would also like to recognize the newest member of the General Assembly, State Representative Tim Yocum, for joining the business and community leaders in

attendance.

Follow me on Facebook to stay informed about my travels around the Senate District.

SHADELAND

Awarded Grant to Improve Water Quality

The town of Shadeland has been recognized by Indiana's Office of Community and Rural Affairs with \$150,000 in grant funding to improve community safety.

The funding will help to demolish two deteriorated buildings to eliminate hazards and promote revitalization.

I am pleased to see our community awarded with this funding and look forward to seeing the improvements.

INDIANA

Recreation Guide Now Available

The 2025 Indiana Recreation Guide is now available online. The recreation guide is a great source for information on state parks, reservoirs, state park inns, fish and wildlife areas, state forests and other properties overseen by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Recreation guides are available at DNR properties across the

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.

Franciscan Helping Employers With Healthcare Solutions

Franciscan WorkingWell is hosting a free, daylong symposium at the Golf Club of Indiana in Lebanon on Tuesday, April 29. The symposium is aimed at helping employers find healthcare solutions.

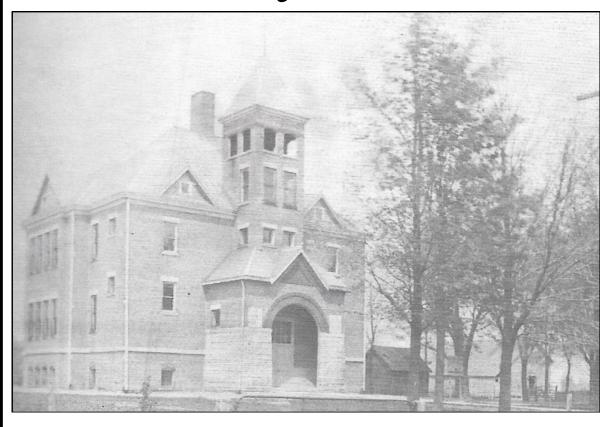
The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and breakfast and lunch will be served.

Entitled: "Today's **Healthcare Solutions** for Employers," the symposium will highlight expert speakers from WorkingWell addressing a variety of diverse topics in the workplace. Expert panels featuring employers, broker and industry leaders will discuss trends and strategies in employersponsored clinics, detail the benefits of corporate wellness programs and share local success stories. Onsite/near site clinic discussions will offer insights from

Larry Boress, executive director of National Worksite Health Centers. A panel focusing on workers compensation with insurance professionals and medical experts, will feature Dr. Charles Mok, Jr. from Franciscan Physician Network. A discussion on wellness initiatives for the modern-day workforce with mental health experts, will be led by Linda Passmore, CEO of Complete Wellness Solutions. Tim Ross, director of Employer Solutions at Franciscan Health, will be part of the symposium, offering his expert insight on a variety of topics.

The event is free, but registration is required by April 14. For more details, email WWClient Relations@ FranciscanAlliance. org

Back in the Day with Butch Dale



Many people are not aware that Whitesville had a school. It was built in 1903 . . . and met its demise in 1954. But at least Whitesville still has a church.

Rep. Genda Shares Update



MARK Guest Columnist which

House Republicans passed their proposed state budget for the next **GENDA** biennium,

Indiana

protects taxpayers while funding critical priorities including education and public safety.

House Republicans have worked for over a decade to reduce Hoosiers' tax burden, cutting taxes every year and saving taxpayers over \$20 billion since 2013. The proposed budget allows the state to continue cutting the income tax rate to 2.95% next year and to 2.9% in 2027.

The proposed budget would also increase K-12 education funding by \$560 million, or a more than 4% increase over the biennium. The remaining income limit for the Indiana Choice Scholarship Program would be removed to expand school choice to all Hoosier families, and funding would be allocated for Career Scholarship Accounts to expand work-based learning opportunities and Education Scholarship Accounts to support students with special needs.

To enhance public

safety, the proposed budget would create a public prosecution fund to provide needed financial support for county prosecutors (House Republican priority bill, HB 1006) and support the state's High-Tech Crime Unit and the Commission on Improving the Status of Children.

To support and grow Hoosier communities, the Residential Housing Infrastructure Assistance Program would receive \$25 million each year over the next two years to help local governments pay for infrastructure projects for new housing (House Republican priority bill, HB 1005). Key economic development programs like the 21st Century Research and Technology Fund and Manufacturing Readiness Grants would be funded and new tax credits would be enacted to support capital investments in rural areas and upskill more Hoosier workers.

Visit iga.in.gov to follow the legislative session, which must conclude by April 29.

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

Jim Baird Liked Trump's **Joint Address to Congress**

Congressman Jim Baird (IN-04) enthusiastically backed President Donald J. Trump's Joint Address to Congress earlier this week.

"For four years, Hoosiers were buckling under the numerous crises caused by President Biden and Congressional Democrats' failed leadership," Baird said. "President Trump laid out his bold agenda to renew the American dream and restore American excellence. President Trump has been working at a rapid pace to deliver on his successful America First agenda. The president is already reclaiming our leadership on the world stage and will restore peace in the Middle East and Eastern Europe. This is a far cry from President Biden's failed foreign policy of appeasement."

The Hoosier Congressman represents Indiana's 4th Congressional District, which includes Montgomery County.

"In his first month in office, the President took executive action to secure our southern border and sign the *Laken Riley* Act into law," Baird continued. "As a result, we have seen the lowest number of monthly illegal border crossings on record. The Trump Administration is also taking historic action to unleash American energy dominance, rescind burdensome regulations, drive investment in American industries, root out waste, fraud, and abuse in our federal government, and lower costs for Hoosiers to ensure the American Dream is more achievable than ever. President Trump's Joint Address made it clear: under President Trump and House and Senate Republicans' leadership, this is truly the beginning of the Golden Age of America, and we will work hard to make the American Dream

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF **COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025

1580 Constitution Row -Room E109

Crawfordsville, IN 47933 CALL TO ORDER Board President Dan Guard

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CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: AP & Payroll

Minutes: February 24, 2025

Acknowledge Receipt of 2024 Annual Financial

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Lane Closure on Nucor Road for

Watermain Project **ORDINANCES**

2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-6 Creating the 2025 OCRA Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation

Program Fund -\$450,000 2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-9 Amending

Rules and Procedures **RESOLUTION**

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Next Commissioner Meeting -Monday, March 24, 2025 @ 8:00 am

MONTGOMERY COUNTY VISITORS & CONVENTION COMMISSION

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025

Montgomery County Government Center 1580 Constitution Row - Suite E

Crawfordsville, IN 47933

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BOARD TRAINING OFFICER REPORTS

Treasurer Report

Visitor's Bureau Report - Heather Shirk

MONEY MATTERS

Approve Claims OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Katie Viers, Mark Casteel Honored at F.C. Tucker



Katie Viers

F.C. Tucker West Central is proud to recognize its January 2025 Agents of the Month: Katie Viers and Mark Casteel. Their dedication, hard work and exceptional service to their clients and the community have set them apart as top performers.

Viers was named Sales Agent of the Month for her outstanding work helping buyers find their perfect homes. A Crawfordsville transplant, she understands what it takes to navigate the buying and selling process. With over five years of experience in real estate, she is



Mark Casteel

passionate about helping her clients find a place to call home. Viers and husband Tim have three children, and in her spare time, she enjoys outdoor activities with family and friends. She continuously educates herself on market trends to better serve her clients. If you are looking to buy or sell, contact Katie at (219) 776-5120 or visit TalkToTucker.com/

Casteel has been named Listing Agent of the Month for his exceptional efforts in marketing and selling homes in West Central Indiana. He brings a

Katie.Viers.

strong background in leadership and public service, having spent 24 years with the **Montgomery County** Sheriff's Office, including eight years as the elected Sheriff. His ability to remain patient, detailoriented, and proactive translates seamlessly into real estate, where he advocates tirelessly for his clients. A lifelong Montgomery County resident, Casteel lives in Ladoga with his wife Kimberly, a nurse practitioner with IU Health. They have two children, Sydney and Toby. Outside of work, he enjoys traveling, camping and fishing with his family. His deep community ties and strong negotiation skills make him a trusted real estate professional. Reach Mark at (765) 307-8348 or visit TalkToTucker. com/Mark.Casteel.

"Katie and Mark

exemplify the level of service, commitment, and market expertise that make our office stand out," said John Downey, co-owner at F.C. Tucker West Central. "Their dedication to their clients and our community is truly remarkable, and we are proud to have them on our team."

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