

➡ TODAY’S VERSE

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

Meet
Lena



Lena is a female shepherd available to foster to adopt 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?



Isn't it frustrating at fast-food drive thrus when they start asking you if you want to use their app or donate to this or that? What happened to just giving your order? I guess that went to the same place reasonable prices went.



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Butch Recalls Making of Hoosiers



BUTCH DALE
Columnist

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the filming of the movie Hoosiers, which was voted as one of the all-time



best sports movies ever made. In 1984 screenwriter Angelo Pizzo and director David Anspaugh wanted to find a small town that had an old school and gym to depict the fictional town of Hickory. They toured several towns in southern Indiana, but in March of 1985 decided that Waveland would be a great location. However, just a month later that arrangement fell through. The Ninevah school in Johnson County was chosen as Hickory high school, and the Knightstown gym in Henry county was chosen as the Hickory team's home court.

By September, there were

six towns in the running for filming locations, including Linden and New Richmond, but on September 14, it was announced that New Richmond was selected as Hickory, with filming to begin in October. The residents of the New Richmond community were very excited to have a Hollywood movie shot in their town, although there were a few people who were concerned that the movie might portray them as backward "hicks." Of course, this did not occur, and many volunteered to become extras during the filming. In fact eventually more than 80 local people got to be in the movie!

The movie crew arrived and began transforming New Richmond into a 1950s setting. The storefronts were painted and dressed up to look like a hardware store, drugstore, barbershop, etc. Byron Alexander's furniture store remained mostly unchanged, and the restaurant sported a new sign. A few things, such as electrical signs, soft drink machines, and TV antennas, had to be removed since those weren't around in those earlier days. During the filming, there were quite a few onlookers who came to New Richmond to see the famous actors, and also see if they could get a part as an extra in the movie, so the Sheriff's department and Indiana state police sent some officers there to help New Richmond town marshal Mark Clapp with security. I was a deputy

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Photo courtesy Flower Lovers Garden Club

Instead of a scarecrow, maybe this is a “friendlycrow?”

Crafter’s
Garden
Next
On Tour

Welcome to a crafters garden. Diane and Tim Fairfield have lived in this home for 18 years. They have made many changes in this time.

The bed facing the road features many colors of Hydrangeas. The entrance side is a riot of color that is always changing. Some flowers have been gifts from friends and many are just seeds that Diane has tossed into the soil. This year there are poppies, mums, phlox, moonflowers, alliums, black-eyed Susans and always some surprises here.

The back sitting porch features a new greenhouse. Diane started seeds for her large garden here in 2025.

Around the corner are

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Local LWV
Looks Into
Statement



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

Word choice matters. High school teachers know and teach the difference between connotation and denotation.

Denotation is the dictionary definition, the technical, specific meaning. Remember the d: denotation equals dictionary.

Connotation begins with the prefix con-, which can mean against or with, depending on the root to which it is added. Connotation adds all the meanings we’ve added to a word through usage, precise or imprecise. It adds the associated meanings.

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Scattershooting with Trump, Beckwith, Braun . . .



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

Scattershooting while wondering whatever happened to Charles G. Dawes . . .

OK, SO THE

scuttlebutt is that Trump is playing with the idea of a third term.

But is he really? With Donald J. Trump, who knows? I truly believe half the drivelt that comes out of his mouth he means, half is just messing with the Democrats and half is made up malarkey. What? The math doesn’t add up? Hey, neither does the math on our property taxes. Complain to Mike Braun!

On this third term, let me go on record that I would be against it. But before we get

into that, how about if we slow the roll on the screamers who are saying Trump is trying to establish a monarchy instead of a republic? First off, of the 45 men who have held the highest office in the land, only 14 have served since the establishment of the 22nd Amendment outlawing a third term. It’s not exactly like the idea of a third term is foreign to our history.

No, my opposition has nothing to do with the Trumpers or the Never-Trumpers. It’s all about him being born June 14, 1946. By the time this term ends, he’ll be 82. A third term would put him in office when he’s four years away from 90.

No thanks.

Like him, love him, hate him or don’t care – everyone watched Joe Biden mentally

and physically sink lower and lower during his term. What’s the old saying in sports? The only one undefeated is Father Time.

We’ve all seen the before / after pictures of presidents. There’s no question how much that office ages a person. I’d hate to see what it would do to someone in their mid-80s.

Oh, and one more thing for you die-hard Trump fans. Before you push too hard for allowing a third term, I have two words that ought to give you pause – Barack Obama.

THE OTHER thing that has flared up recently is Trump and due process. I swear that the national media just

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➡ TODAY’S HEALTH TIP

If you’re planning a trip overseas, make sure you contact your doctor early to see if you need to receive recommended vaccines.

Today’s health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com



➡ THREE THINGS
You Should Know

1 U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins recently announced the suspension of live cattle, horse and bison imports through U.S. ports of entry along the southern border because of the continued and rapid northward spread of New World Screwworm in Mexico, effective immediately. NWS has been recently detected in remote farms with minimal cattle movement as far north as Oaxaca and Veracruz, about 700 miles away from the U.S. border.

2 Hoosiers like to drive! According to our friends at Jason Stone Injury Lawyers (<https://stoneinjurylawyers.com>), Indiana drivers average over 15,000 miles per registered vehicle, the third-highest in the nation. Delaware racked up 21,127 miles per registered vehicle, the highest in the nation. Mississippi is next at 17,379 miles annually. That kind of mileage doesn’t come without consequences. More time on the road means faster wear and tear, higher maintenance costs, and a greater risk of breakdowns and accidents.

3 Hendricks Live! in nearby Plainfield is celebrating its one year anniversary and has additional shows this year, including Sister Hazel, Lee Rocker of The Stray Cats and Rumours ATL: A Fleetwood Mac Tribute. Of course those are in addition to The Rush Tribute Project, Tapestry, The Carole King Songbook with Suzanne O, Jimmie Vaughan & The Tilt-A-Whirl Band and others. Go to hendrickslive.org/events, <https://www.facebook.com/HendricksLiveInc>, <https://www.instagram.com/hendricksliveinc/> or <https://youtube.com/@hendricksliveinc/> for more information.

➡ TODAY’S QUOTE

"To announce that there must be no criticism of the president, or that we are to stand by the president, right or wrong, is not only unpatriotic and servile but is morally treasonable to the American public."
Theodore Roosevelt

➡ TODAY’S JOKE

Why didn’t the private eye find the missing train?
He didn’t follow the tracks!

➡ MONTGOMERY
MINUTE

The Chamber is hosting an event for you to meet the staff, board of directors, and ambassadors at an event, Biz & Brew, on Tuesday, with an open-house style from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on the fourth floor of Fusion 54 in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville. This is open to the public at no cost. Donuts and coffee will be provided by the Chamber so please register online at crawfordsvillechamber.com from the chamber calendar, email ssommer@crawfordsvillechamber.com, or call (765) 362-6800.

The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we’d like to personally thank **BETTY NORMAN** for subscribing!

Library Displays Art League Winners



Chloe Headdy



Hailey Kunz



Adah Westphal

The Mary Bishop Memorial Gallery at the Crawfordsville District Public Library would like to invite the public to view the work of the Art League of Montgomery County’s 2025 Art Awardees. This premier exhibit highlights some of the top students from Montgomery County who are choosing to pursue art-based careers.

This exhibit is currently open and will be on display during the month of May. The public is welcome to visit the gallery during CDPL’s regular hours of operation. A limited amount of art is for sale (cash only) during the exhibition through our Circulation department.

For more than fifty years, the Art League has been recognizing high school students for their artistic creativity and accomplishments. Each year they ask the three county high schools’ art teachers to select the senior that they wish to honor for their artistic achievements. On behalf of the Art League of Montgomery County, congratulations are offered to each student and a check for \$500 to encourage their pursuit of the arts. This year’s awardees are Chloe Headdy, Hailey Kunz, and Adah Westphal.

Southmont High School awardee, Chloe Headdy, has lived in Montgomery County for about four years. She has loved making art since she was very young. She spent her childhood trying different mediums, from doodling nonstop to painting detailed images, she has enjoyed it all! As a high school student, Chloe decided to explore photography and graphic design classes. She really enjoyed learning about both subjects, and has added the skills she acquired to her creative toolbox. She states, "Art and music have been a huge influence on my life and a great outlet for me when things are stressful." Chloe plans to pursue her love of art in college. In the fall, she will be attending Indiana State University (ISU) in Terre Haute focusing on digital design and photography.

North Montgomery High School awardee, Hailey Kunz was born in Albuquerque, N.M. and spent the majority of her childhood in Tomball, Texas. She is the second oldest of six children. Hailey spends most of her time submerged in her studies and participating in sports events for soccer, wrestling, and pole vaulting. She stated, "I enjoy spending time outdoors, reading, and of course drawing. Typically, I work with colored pencil,

but practice with other mediums like pen, marker, watercolor, and ceramics." She uses techniques taught by Mrs. Hinders at North Montgomery and some self-taught techniques as she continues learning more about art. She is inspired by the beautiful nature around her as well as others around her. Hailey likes creating with colored pencil because it allows her to add more details and it reminds her of when she used to practice drawing at home or at church before she had refined her skills.

Crawfordsville High School awardee, Adah Westphal has been creating art all her life. Since 2021, she has spent fifteen hours a week creating art and developing new skills. She enjoys painting with oil and acrylics, especially portraits. Adah is a member of the National Art Honor Society where she volunteers for local art related events. She is an avid reader and has been a member of the Libro Club since 2022. Academically, she has participated in the A-Team English Bowl team, the Science Bowl team, the Bridge Bust Competition at Purdue University, and was the recipient of the Margaret Morgan Mahorney writing award in 24. As a National Honor Society member, she helps raise funds for the animal shelter and works the school’s concessions. Adah has also earned a letter in diving in 23 and 24, and was the top scoring female diver in 23. She plans to attend Kenyon College to study Physics and Math. After earning her undergrad degree, Adah plans to pursue a Master’s in Architecture.

The Art League of Montgomery County has undergone quite a few changes in its 120 plus years, but respect and appreciation for artists and art in its many forms, continues to be an essential characteristic of the organization. The Art league is always welcoming new members, artists and connoisseurs alike. If you are interested in learning more about the Art League of Montgomery County, visit them on Facebook, or pick-up one of their brochures in Adult Services on the second floor of the library.

For more information about upcoming events at CDPL, please visit our website’s calendar at crawfordsvillelibrary.in.gov. If you are an artist or a member of an artists’ group and are interested in displaying your work at the Mary Bishop Memorial Gallery in 2026, please contact the Gallery Coordinator at (765) 362-2242 for more details.



Artwork from Chloe Headdy



Artwork from Adah Westphal

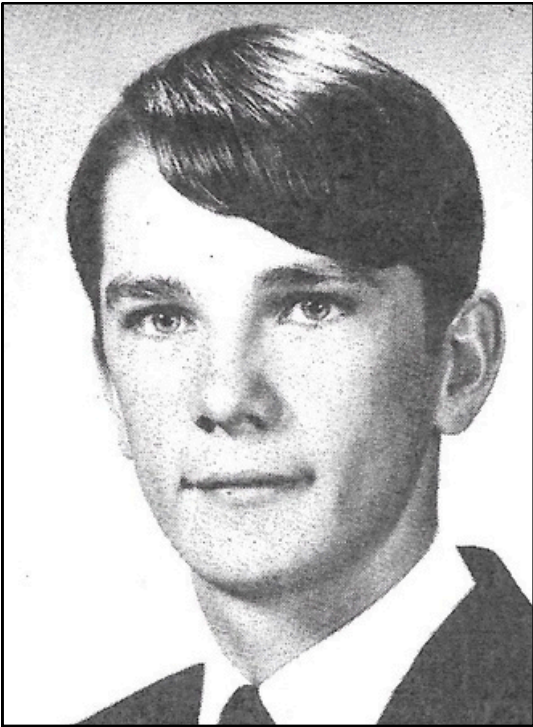


Artwork from Hailey Kunz

**Thank
You
For
Reading
The Paper**



Butch Dale’s Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize this
1969 Waveland Grad?

HINT:
He was a popular
student and second-
leading scorer on the
basketball team.

Answer on
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TIM

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looks for things to get the left riled up about. (Of course, Donald doesn’t help.)

For what it’s worth, if you have not watched the entire clip of his comments please do. I guess everyone is going to read into it what they want, but I think you’ll conclude it really wasn’t a big deal. Do I believe he meant he’s throwing out the Constitution? Absolutely not.

Look, if you ask me I would say Trump think he’s the smartest guy in the room. Maybe the world. Maybe ever. But if that’s correct, he wouldn’t be the first U.S. president or even major business CEO to think that. He’s just a lot worse at hiding it.

THERE WAS one part of that interview that made me laugh. NBC’s Kristen Welker, a fairly slanted journalist in my opinion, asked him a fair question about the economy to which Trump said in part: “I think the good parts are the Trump economy and the bad parts are the Biden economy.” To be sure, I’m taking that out of context. But it seems clear his intent was to say that most of the good numbers are his and the bad numbers are Biden’s.

Reminds me of a well-worn story that every new manager should hear AND remember.

A long-time boss is retiring. His replacement has been named and at the retirement party, the old timer pulls the young guy aside and offers some advice.

“Listen, you’ll do fine. Just remember, every business runs into problems now and then. You’re a smart guy and you’ll figure it out. Thing is, when you hit a wall, I have left three envelopes in the desk. Don’t open them now, but if you have absolutely no alternatives, remember they are there.”

Time goes by and one day comes that dilemma the old man warned about. Seeing no other alternative, the new boss opens the drawer and pulls out envelope No. 1. He opens it to find a sheet of paper that simply says, “Blame me.”

So the new boss blames the old one. Crisis passes and everyone moves on.

Later, a second crisis develops. Nothing the now not-so-new guy tries works. Then he

remembers the envelopes. He grabs No. 2 and opens it. “Blame your employees.” He does. Crisis passes.

When the third crisis blows up later, and at his wit’s end, the boss snatches envelope No. 3. He opens it and when he reads it, his heart sinks.

“Prepare three envelopes.”

Congrats, Don. You just opened No. 1.

BACK HERE at home, boy are the boobirds coming for Lt. Gov. Micah Beckwith. It almost seems Trumpesque in which every little thing is blown out of proportion. Kind of makes a guy wonder how much friendly fire Beckwith is taking? After all, he works for a governor who made no secret out of the fact that he didn’t want Beckwith on the ticket. Also, if Braun continues to shoot himself in the foot repeatedly, will Beckwith be an opponent in ’28? Hmmmm.

And lastly, whether you are pro Beckwith, Braun, Trump or Little Bo Peep, how about if we all give a little grace on minor missteps? No, I am not saying to forgive outright lies (like someone who runs on property tax reform and then about faces). But maybe we ought to let the little stuff slide and worry about the big stuff? Lord knows there’s enough of the big stuff to go around.

CHARLES G. Dawes was the 30th vice president of the United States, serving from 1925-29 under Calvin Coolidge. Give yourself a gold star in history if you knew that. And if you knew he was descended from William Dawes give yourself an A-PLUS, PLUS, PLUS! You are the star of the class if you knew that William Dawes actually did more on that famous midnight ride than his cohort Paul Revere. William was just a pretty quiet guy about it and Paul was, well, let’s just say he was pretty good at self-promoting!

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

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GARDEN

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Photos courtesy Flower Lovers Garden Club

Diane and Tim Fairfield have poppies, mums, phlox, moonflowers, alliums, black-eyed Susans and some surprises



Is it a yellow submarine, or something else? Visitors on the Tour can decide.

WHO: Flower Lovers Garden Club
WHAT: 17th Annual Garden & Arts Tour
WHEN: Sunday June 29 11-5 (Rain or Shine)
WHERE: There are 8 different gardens on the tour and the addresses are listed on the tickets along with a map
COST: This is a ticketed event and tickets are \$12, 12 and under free – tickets available NOW at following locations and would be a great Mother's Day gift.

ProGreen Garden Center
Davidson's Greenhouse
Ryan's Flowers
Country Hearts & Flowers
Just Because
Milligan's Flowers
Crawfordsville Library

Tickets will also be available the day of the tour at Pike Place from 11-2

garden mums that return every year.

In the middle of the five acres is the canner's garden. Perennial here is asparagus and blueberry bushes. They also grow corn, green beans, tomatoes and a lot of peppers for preserving. They also have apple trees, grapes and hibiscus in the back. Behind the garage is a whimsical yellow submarine!

All of the garden

ornaments were thrifted and refurbished by Diane in the winter. As you leave hopefully the Fairfield's flock of canaries will sing to you by the entrance side porch window! The featured artist at the Fairfield garden is Margie Colgan of Margie's Glass Creations. She has been working with glass for 25 years. Margie will offer glass and metal garden décor. Cash or check only.

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BUTCH

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sheriff at the time, but I worked the night shift and unfortunately never had a chance to see any of the filming.

Many of the movie scenes were filmed at various locations in Indiana, but people will always remember New Richmond as Hickory, and the town still has visitors who stop to see the town and have their photo taken. It was truly an exciting time, and one that will always be remembered by those who experienced it. The movie was released in 1986 and was a huge hit. I have watched Hoosiers many, many times. My grandkids have asked me if

basketball and life back then, as depicted in the movie, was really like that. I smile and tell them, "Yes, it was a great time to be a kid and play basketball for a small school . . . a special time in my life that I will always hold dear to my heart."

I miss those days . . . don't you?

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 well-known artist and author of local history.

Shannondale Cemetery

Dedicates Marker

A historic cemetery just inside the Montgomery County line will get a new marker soon.

Shannondale Cemetery, which was established in 1829, organized on Aug. 5, 1897 and incorporated in October of 1978 has a new marker and it is being dedicated on Saturday June 7 at 2 p.m. thanks to the Shannondale Cemetery Association, Inc. The Association’s officers and board conduct business and tend to the care of the cemetery. Bill Mikesell president, Adrain McClain vice president, Kenetta Mikesell secretary and Bill Wathen treasurer.

Secretary Mikesell expressed the Association’s deep appreciation to Tanya Wilhoite of Crawfordsville Monument Co. who generously donated the granite marker, as well as to the LaFollette family for a donation for the base in remembrance of the family being buried in the cemetery.

According to a document from the

1978 incorporation, the “pioneer ancestors in the Shannondale area selected a site just west of the new village on a knoll on the south side of the Crawfordsville-Noblesville turnpike as a burial site for their deceased. Many of the earlier graves were marked with marble markers. As in other cemeteries of comparable antiquity, the elements and the passage of time have left their regrettable marks of deterioration so characteristic of marble stone.”

The document went on to say that “assurance that our cemetery will continue to be well maintained perpetually, obviates that a very substantial increase accrue to our ‘perpetual endowment funds,’ and that in the near future.”

It was signed by L. Henry Jackman, the president at that time.

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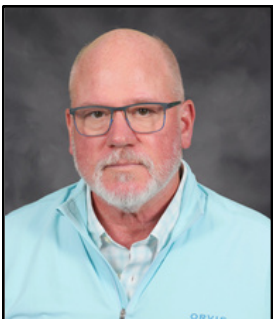
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Butch Dale’s Flashback Trivia

Answer: Steve Wheeler

South Teacher Honored for Excellence

Southmont High School teacher Brian Turner has been named the 2025 recipient of the President’s Award for Excellence in Dual Credit Instruction by Ivy Tech Community College–Lafayette.



Brian Turner

Ivy Tech,” Turner said. “It’s incredibly rewarding to help our students earn college credit through dual credit engineering courses.”

Southmont High School’s partnership with Ivy Tech enables students to take college-level courses at no cost while still in high school. These dual credit classes count toward both high school graduation and college degrees, giving students a valuable head start on their futures.

Turner teaches dual credit engineering courses at Southmont, which can lead to a technical certificate in Computer-Aided Design through Ivy Tech.

“Mr. Turner’s background as a former engineer has allowed him to create a hands-on, experience-based curriculum for our students,” South Principal Ashley Hammond said. “His real-world perspective helps prepare students for both college and careers.”

“I’m honored to receive this recognition from

Back in the Day with Butch Dale

Shown above is Company E, 151st Infantry . . . members of the Darlington National Guard unit in the summer of 1941. Little did they know then that just a few months later they would be sent to fight in the Pacific Theater when WWII started in December of that year.

Smorgasbord at the Library? Of course!

SUSANNA HOWARD
Guest Columnist

Food is a constant in our lives. It’s a basic need like oxygen, but not one we fulfill without thought or opinion. The type of food we eat, the people we share it with, all of this occupies a huge place in our experience of the world. Naturally, restaurants are a popular element in stories of all kinds.

At the library, we have romances from saccharine to bittersweet. “A Dash of Salt and Pepper” by Kosoko Jackson (FIC Jac) has all the right ingredients: a chef down on his luck returns to his hometown, only to clash with his hot new boss. In T.J. Alexander’s “Chef’s Choice” (FIC Alexander), a young

man and his fake girlfriend must perfect his family’s recipes to inherit his grandfather’s culinary fortune. A separated couple reunites as they negotiate the future of their children and their restaurant in “Before I Let Go” by Kennedy Ryan (FIC Rya).

Perhaps you prefer a satisfying mystery. The chefs at “The Restaurant of Lost Recipes” by Hisashi Kashiwai (FIC Kashiwai) investigate meals from their customers’ pasts, reuniting hungry people with the flavors they never thought they’d taste again. A teacher at a culinary school must clear his name in Orlando Murrin’s “Knife Skills for Beginners” (FIC Murrin Paul v.1). In “The Family Chao” by Lan Samantha Chang (FIC Cha), the family behind a beloved local

restaurant feels the town turn on them when their father is murdered.

Looking for something with a kick? “A History of Violence” (DVD FIC His) pits a diner owner against the mob, who may have more reason to target him than he’s let on. In “The Menu” (DVD FIC Men) a renowned chef invites a small group to a remote island to partake in an elaborate meal. Horror stories as told by a group of chefs are richly illustrated in “Anthony Bourdain’s Hungry Ghosts” (GN FIC Bou).

For a how-to that gets into the crunchy details, try “Catering: A Guide to Managing a Successful Business Operation” by Bruce Mattel (642.4 Mat). Michael Cecchi-Azzolina’s memoir “Your Table Is Ready: Tales of a New

York City Maître D” (921 Ceccchi-Azzolina, M.) takes you behind closed doors at some of the most sought-after restaurants in town. The documentary “Jiro Dreams of Sushi” (DVD 641.5092 Jir JAP) follows the world’s oldest living Michelin star chef, Jiro Ono, who will be 100 this year.

You can find all of these and more currently on display on the second floor of the library through the end of the month. The library is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Susanna Howard is a Library Assistant in the Adult Services Department at the Crawfordsville District Public Library.

PUBLIC NOTICES

**TOWN OF NEW RICHMOND, INDIANA
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The Town of New Richmond will hold a public hearing on June 4, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the New Richmond Fire Department, 215 S. Prairie Street, New Richmond, Indiana 47967. The Public Notice will discuss Trash Ordinance 2023-2.

PL5095 5/14 1t hspaxlp

On Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., at 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, the Montgomery County Drainage Board will open sealed bids on the reconstruction of the Edward Berry #593 regulated drain. Notice is hereby given that the Montgomery County Surveyor will be receiving sealed bids for the reconstruction of the Edward Berry #593 until 9:00 am on Wednesday, May 21, 2025. The project is located Ripley and Wayne Township(s) in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Edward Berry #593
T19N, R5W, Section 31; T19N, R6W, Section 36
T18N, R5W, Sections 5 & 6; T18N, R6W, Section 1
Install 2,000 feet of 15” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 2,979 feet of 12” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 116 feet of 10” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 710 feet of 8” smooth-corr HDPE pipe

PL5098 5/14 1t hspaxlp

On Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., at 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, the Montgomery County Drainage Board will open sealed bids on the reconstruction of the Roy Harper #592 regulated drain. Notice is hereby given that the Montgomery County Surveyor will be receiving sealed bids for the reconstruction of the Roy Harper #592 until 9:00 am on Wednesday, May 21, 2025. The project is located Union-South Township in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Roy Harper #592
T19N, R4W, Sections 23 & 24
Install 700 feet of 15” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 1,400 feet of 12” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 911 feet of 10” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Destroy 3,011 feet of existing tile.

PL5097 5/14 1t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF HEARING

Montgomery County Drainage Board
Drain Reconstruction hearing

On the Joseph Conway #700 on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 9:30 am
Montgomery County Government Center
1580 Constitution Row
Crawfordsville, IN 47933
Attention: all affected landowners

PL5099 5/14 1t hspaxlp

On Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., at 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, the Montgomery County Drainage Board will open sealed bids on the reconstruction of the Samuel Humphrey #526 regulated drain. Notice is hereby given that the Montgomery County Surveyor will be receiving sealed bids for the reconstruction of the Samuel Humphrey #526 until 9:00 am on Wednesday, May 21, 2025. The project is located Wayne and Coal Creek Township(s) in Montgomery County, Indiana.

Samuel Humphrey #526
T19N, R5W, Sec. 6; T20N, R5W, Sec. 31
Install 2,834 feet of 18” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 1,390 feet of 15” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 1,243 feet of 12” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 1,473 feet of 10” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Install 1,362 feet of 8” smooth-corr HDPE pipe
Destroy 8,189 feet of existing tile.

PL5096 5/14 1t hspaxlp

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LWV

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In its position statement on voting rights, the League of Women Voters chose to say:

The League of Women Voters of the United States believes that voting is a fundamental citizen right that must be guaranteed.

They could have written the statement as **The League of Women Voters of the United States believes that voting is a fundamental citizen right that must be protected.**

What’s the difference? Think about what you feel when you hear “protected.” What do you picture? Big shielding small? Strong looking out for the vulnerable? AI search results say the connotation of protected implies “safety, security, and freedom from harm. It suggests a state of being shielded from danger, injury, or loss.” Merriam-Webster’s gives three definitions of protected. One: to cover or shield from exposure, injury, damage, or destruction: guard. Two: to maintain the status or integrity of, especially through financial or legal guarantees. Three: defend.

What do you feel when you hear “guaranteed?” What do you picture? Another search says, “The word ‘guaranteed’ carries a positive connotation, suggesting certainty and assurance. It implies that something is definite, certain or promised to happen or be true. Its denotations are one: assured with a guarantee; protected or promised by a guarantee; two: certain to have a specified result or effect.

Protected focuses on something that has a safety risk and needs a defender. Guaranteed focuses on certainty and assurance.

Since its inception, the LWV has educated citizens about their right to vote and advocated to provide that certainty to use that right and responsibility.

In recent years, state and federal leaders have proposed and passed legislation claiming that our elections need defense from unsafe, insecure, at-risk systems. In making an appeal to the feeling of danger, they appeal to a feeling of sanctity, to the sacred obligation or right for Americans. Only. It’s the purity of the group that they seek to protect. It’s a moral imperative for some to propose and pass legislation like this year’s SAVE Act (H.B. 22), which will add extra expense, time and paperwork to allow voters who move, who change political parties, who have different names on their licenses than their birth certificates – this includes an estimated 69 million women who’ve changed their last names when they

were married and millions more who’ve changed their names legally. Because it’s a moral imperative for the party championing this legislation, which happens to be conservative, the paperwork, cost and time are inconveniences worth the effort in order to vote.

Those who opposed the SAVE Act point out that these added burdens are unfair, especially to many previously or currently marginalized outgroups.

The word choices we make in defending or proposing such legislation aim at our moral ways of seeing the world.

Social psychologists Jonathan Haidt and Jesse Graham proposed in 2007 that conservatives tend to base their political and moral leanings equally on all five of the basic foundations in their moral foundation theory: (1) harm / care, (2) fairness / reciprocity, (3) ingroup / loyalty, (4) authority / respect, and (5) purity / sanctity. In contrast, “liberals tend to use a narrower range” (Colin Prince, Seattle University Law Review) – at least in their rhetorical arguments.

“Haidt suggests that it is this discontinuity between the foundations that liberals consider and the foundations that conservatives consider that leads to moral polarization and intractable arguments. As Professor Haidt puts it, when conservatives express concerns based on the ingroup / loyalty, authority / respect and purity / sanctity foundations, liberals hear only “theta-waves” – that is, nonsense,” writes Prince.

The first two moral foundations, harm / care and fairness / reciprocity, focus on reducing suffering and fostering cooperation between all groups, respectively, and make up the bulk of political and moral appeals from liberals. These are the *individualizing approach*; they teach people to respect the rights of others. The latter three are the *binding* forces that bind people to roles, traditions and institutions that help constrain selfish, imperfect human nature.

In short, the latter three are based on the premise that, given too much freedom, people will turn plain self-interest into selfishness and devious, exploitative behavior. Thus, the need to protect rather than guarantee. The underlying assumption of voter protection acts is that even if there is little-to-no evidence of voter fraud, without vigilant guarding through regulations and procedures, some deviant will opportunize.

Haidt’s Moral Foundations Theory includes the theories on how each of the moral foundations evolved with human culture, and accounts for variations in

which of the foundations is valued across cultures. There’s a kind of neutrality in the “rightness or wrongness” of these foundations and their valuation. What’s important to note is the polarization that happens when groups value or appeal to different moral foundations. Ignoring those who matter to the “other side” or the people who seem intractably entrenched in their views is to kneecap the ability to communicate effectively and appeal successfully to them.

Using the verb guarantee, as the LWV does, focuses on providing all Americans fair, just and equitable access to voting. It’s been based on the evidence that, at present, voting fraud happens so infrequently, because of rigorous systems monitored by state and local election officials, that we don’t need more protection. We need more enfranchising. We overcame the past threat to voting, poll taxes and voter intimidation, now we can maintain a level of vigilance to avoid regressing back into that kind of intentional intimidation and disenfranchisement. (Can we talk about how disenfranchisement doesn’t sound like cheating or breaking the law? It has been that and it can be again.)

These new voter laws, LWV and others argue, are attempting to legalize ways to erect hurdles, barriers, and impracticalities to voting that people give up in exasperation. Anyone who has volunteered to work the polls or be a poll watcher would note this exasperation is already present. Last November, poll watchers took a seat next to the table where voters filled out forms for change of address or provisional ballots, thereby having a first-row seat to voters who thought they could just vote in Montgomery County since they’d changed the address on their driver’s license. They didn’t realize they needed to change their registration. When they learned they’d need their marriage license or birth certificate, they looked despairingly at anyone in eyeshot.

How? How much would it cost? They didn’t have that in their tight budgets; they didn’t know when they’d be able to ask off work to contact or get to the courthouse in the county and state where they were born or married.

It’s why Senator Lisa McClain’s response to such questions from a Politico reporter in April, which offered to them at the time they realized they wouldn’t be able to vote, would smack of casual elitism. “McClain says, “You know when voting day is, can you prepare for that? I would think one is smart enough to prepare for that. At some point in time, you have to take a little bit of responsibility too.”

Hoosiers take personal responsibility to heart. Don’t accuse them of not caring. But life happens at an astounding rate and a person votes once a year, at most. Then there’s the financial calculus to obtain those documents. Politico reports that “A U.S. passport book for an adult costs \$130 to \$236.46. The fee to obtain a Certificate of Citizenship is \$1,385. Changing a name on a birth certificate generally requires a court order and involves court fees, which can range from \$100 to \$400, depending on the state.”

So, when the LWV chooses the positively connotated “guarantees” and speaks of disenfranchisement rather than defending access to the ballot box, one is left to wonder. Should we match the moral imperative in the messaging? It can feel like a change in moral focus, but if it persuades our conservative neighbors to join us in protecting our guarantees to the right to vote, we build bridges.

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

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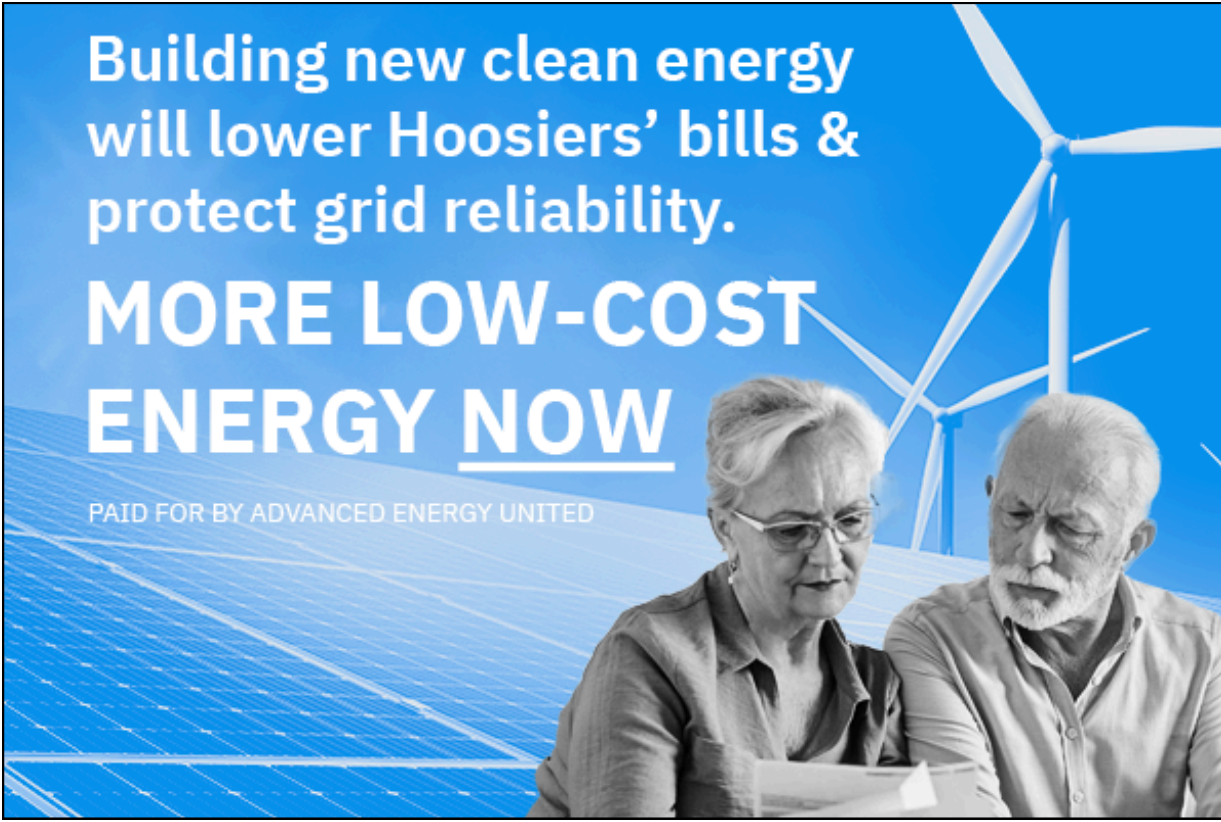
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MONTGOMERY COUNTY REGIONAL WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION
May 14, 2025
4:15 p.m.
Montgomery County Government Center
1580 Constitution Row -Room E109 – Crawfordsville, Indiana
Notice is hereby given that the Montgomery County Regional Water & Sewer District will hold an Executive Session for the following purposes:
x 1. For discussion of strategy with respect to the initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. [I.C. §5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B)].

CRAWFORDSVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Board of Education - Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.
Crawfordsville Administration Building
3 West Athenian Dr.
AGENDA
I. Roll Call
II. Pledge of Allegiance
III. Spotlight on Excellence - Student Artwork: Veronica Dominguez Munoz, Marjorie Noriega, Payton Barker, Burklee Davis, Archer Selig, Wyatt Perry, Josephine Hesler, Lanie Light, Mabel Hoar, Amelia Wilkinson, Alexia Keeling, Adah Westphal, Zari Freeze; Mascot: Hutton Haas
IV. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes, Construction Accounts Payable Claims, Vouchers, Register of Accounts Payable Vouchers, and Surplus Items
V. Old Business a. Consider Policy 4420 Law Enforcement Relations - Second Reading
VII. New Business
a. Consider 25-26 School Calendar Revision
b. Consider Selection of Food Service Management Company
c. Consider Property and Casualty Insurance Broker
d. Consider Resolution for Scholarships/Awards
e. Consider Resolution for Transfer of Funds
f. Consider K-5 Reading Curriculum Adoption
VIII. Personnel
Retirements
a. Consider Brian Miller Retirement - AVA Electives & CHS Alternative Teacher
b. Consider Stephanie Totheroh Retirement - CHS Family & Consumer Science Teacher
c. Consider Kathy Tobias Retirement - CARA Director
Resignations
d. Consider Christina Jeffers Resignation - CHS English Teacher
e. Consider Chase Justus Resignation - CTE Work-Based Learning Coordinator
f. Consider Elizabeth (Perkl) Ehrendreich Resignation - SLP WCISSC
g. Consider Mary Ann Conley Resignation - CMS Teacher's Assistant
h. Consider Brett Abramczyk Resignation - CTE Construction Trades Instructor
Hirings
i. Recommend Lindsey Raines - Preschool Aide at Hose
j. Recommend Michele Jett - Willson Administrative Assistant
k. Recommend Kaitlynn Stout - Hose Teacher's Aide
Change of Position (No motion needed)
l. Megan Wilson - Admin Assistant at Willson to Admin Assistant for AVA
IX. Business Manager Report
X. Assistant Superintendent Report
XI. Superintendent Report
XII. Other
XIII. Board Member Communication
XIV. Patron Comments
XV. Adjournment



Home Food Preservation: Canning



MONICA NAGELE
Guest Columnist

Are you planning to put out a garden this year? I do and I will be spending some time dusting off the canner to pickle my favorite, beets, this summer! Home food preservation is a fantastic way to preserve it now and enjoy it later. But, before I start, I must stop and ask myself, "What methods are safe?"

If you have never preserved food before, and want to learn how, I would encourage you to join me for my home food preservation workshops on Thursday May 29th, I will be sharing step by step instructions for pressure canning and boiling water bath. You can register for this series, by contacting the extension office. Class is from noon to 5:00 PM at the 4-H Building and cost is \$30. Participants will practice the guidelines

and take-home preserved foods.

If you're looking to "can" produce from your garden, there are only two safe methods: boiling water bath canning and pressure canning. Boiling water bath canning is safe to use when canning high-acid foods, which are the majority of your fruits and pickled foods. Pressure canning is required when canning low-acid foods, which includes most vegetables and meats.

Low acid home canned foods are associated with Clostridium Botulinum. It has an 8% fatality rate and patients require hospitalization. Botulism toxin is a neurotoxin; it attacks nerve cells and paralyzes them. Symptoms appear 4 to 8 hours after eating contaminated food and begin at the head and work slowly downward. The danger of Clostridium Botulinum is the number one risk to our home canned foods, and why we must ensure proper canning

techniques are being used.

In order to create a vacuum seal, you must submerge jars in a boiling water bath or pressure canner. Canned foods should also only be made using USDA approved recipes. You can find these recipes from the National Center for Home Food Preservation, So Easy to Preserve and the USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning.

Reminder: pressure canner dial gauges should be tested for accuracy each year. This can be done at the Montgomery County Extension office. Contact me at 765-364-6363 to ensure I am here when you bring your canner lid in for testing. Do not hesitate to call at any time with canning questions. It is better to be safe than sick.

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