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## THIS WEEK on the WEB



FC Singers and Electric Mayhem won big at ISSMA State Finals on March 19. (Photo courtesy of Franklin Central High School's Facebook page)

### FC choirs, band win at Heart of America, state championship

Congratulations to Franklin Central High School's performing choir department and band, Electric Mayhem, for wins at both the Heart of America competition in Nashville, Tenn. on March 5, and the

ISSMA State Finals on March 19. FC Singers won their division and overall Grand Champion with captions for best vocals and best choreography, with Electric Mayhem winning Best Band overall at HOA. FC Singers were also named ISSMA Large School Mixed Show Choir State Champion with the caption of Best Vocals, and Electric Mayhem again winning the caption of Best Band.

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Three students from Franklin College were selected as externs for TechPoint, which brings together companies, philanthropies, government, universities and talent to create opportunity. (Photo courtesy of Franklin College's Facebook page)

### Franklin College students to serve as TechPoint Xterns

Three Franklin College students have been chosen to serve as externs this summer with TechPoint, a nonprofit headquartered in Indianapolis: James Shelton, Brooke Stephens and Kylee Gaskins. TechPoint's Xtern program provides students with the opportunity to work alongside industry leaders at some of the fastest growing tech companies. TechPoint received more than 2,000 applications, and the top 147 were matched with Indiana tech companies.

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## Topics in History: History through Film

### A Southport student review of the 2016 movie *Free State of Jones*

#### FEATURE

*Topics is a course at Southport High School, taught by Kevin Sanders, which analyzes major events from United States and world history through Hollywood films that attempt to portray those events. Students investigate historical documents and other sources to determine if a film is historically accurate.*

*The goal is for students to develop deeper understandings of the historical discipline while generating questions about the way the world is around them, along with watching classical films that have graced American and international screens. This week, student Micah Smith reviews the film *Free State of Jones*.*

By Micah Smith

*Free State of Jones* is about Newt Knight, a Mississippi farmer who joins the Confederate Army as a medic in 1863. Knight, who was anti-slavery, would rather heal the injured than fight the Union. Newt comes home to Jones County when his nephew is killed in combat to protect his family, but he is soon labeled an outlaw deserter. When he is forced to leave, he seeks sanctuary in the wetlands with a gang of runaway slaves. Knight launches a revolt that will change history forever, forming an alliance with slaves and other farmers.

I'm reviewing this movie about how historically accurate it is. The impact this

movie has on Civil War history is huge. Following the war, during Radical Reconstruction (1867-1876), Knight worked for the government, assisting in the liberation of enslaved children who had not yet been released. Knight headed a unit in 1875 that attempted to safeguard African American people so that they may vote. However, the initiative failed, and decades of Black disenfranchisement followed. The movie also focuses on the formation of the Ku Klux Klan in 1868 in retaliation for the Emancipation Proclamation. Knight married a Black woman; the movie discusses how it affected his great-grandson. His great-grandson was Davis Knight, born in Jasper County, Miss. in 1925. Before the Civil Rights era, in the South if you had at least 1% of Black blood you were considered Black, so it caused Davis to be Black in court. That happened in 1948. The movie just shows the injustice of African Americans and people who supported equality for all people.

*Free State of Jones* is a very historically accurate film that used a research crew for their film and did heavy research about Newt and his legacy. They've even made a website about the movie. It has photos and letters about what happened. It just amazes me how much work the director put into this movie as accurately as possible. There are some parts of the film that did not happen, but that's just to keep the movie more suspenseful. You can find more information about their website at [freestateofjones.info](http://freestateofjones.info).

#### AROUND TOWN

### Franklin College Music Department announces spring concerts

**Open to the Public** - The Franklin College Music Department announced the dates of its April performances. The concerts will be performed in the Clarence E. & Inez R. Custer Theatre in Old Main, located at the corner of Branigin Boulevard and Monroe Street. The events are free and open to the public. The Vocal Chamber Concert will be performed on Thursday, April 14 at 7 p.m. The Instrumental Chamber Concert will be presented on Thursday, April 21, at 7 p.m. In addition, senior members of the fine arts department will present recitals throughout the spring. They include: Rachel Krodel, of Greenwood, and Natalie Wilson, of Lebanon, will perform a vocal recital on Tuesday, April 19 at 7 p.m.; Makalynn Schmidt, of Morgantown, will perform an instrumental recital on Saturday, April 23 at 2 p.m.; Dylan Campbell, of Franklin, and Eli Miller, of Martinsville, will perform a vocal recital on Tuesday, April 26 at 7 p.m.; and Camryn Allen, of Greenwood, will perform a vocal recital on Tuesday, May 3 at 7 p.m. For more information, contact the Franklin College Office of Communications at (317) 738-8185.



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(Cover) From left, Damon Thompkins, Steven Edmonds and Damonte Henderson celebrate their State Championship victory with their medals, trophy and game net. (Left) The boys varsity basketball team gathers together for a photo op after the State victory. (Photo by David Dixon) | (Right) Senior Damon Thompkins celebrates after cutting down the net. (Submitted photo)

## 'WHAT A RIDE!'

### Beech Grove Hornets boys basketball team celebrates first state championship win

#### COVER STORY

By Mark Ambrogli

For Beech Grove coach Mike Renfro, it's been quite the journey.

"What a ride. It started back in November, and I knew we had a pretty good team if I could get these guys to pull together and get them to jell together," Renfro said. "We had some losses against a few teams we shouldn't have lost to, but I think you learn the most from losses. I think we did. We pulled it together late and started jelling together. We just got a bunch of selfless kids that play together. That's what it's all about and got us where we are."

Where the Hornets were was celebrating the high school's first boys basketball state championship March 26 at Gainbridge Field-house.

Anthony Ball scored 17 points and grabbed 20 rebounds to lead Beech Grove to a 53-43 victory over Mishawaka Marian in the IHSAA Class 3A state title game. Ball, a 6-foot-6 junior, had fouled out in the fourth quarter in the Hornets' 62-58 overtime triumph over Sullivan in the semi-state at Washington.

"I just came in with the mindset to do whatever I can to help the team win," Ball said. "So that's what I came to do."

Ball said he knew he had to perform well after fouling out in the semi-state.

The Hornets (22-6) won their final 11 games. In the state final, they trailed just 22-

20 at halftime despite being hitting just 7 of 28 shots in the first half.

"I told them in the locker room, now we're facing a little adversity," Renfro said. "I told them, 'either you have to play hard defensively in the second half or it's not going to be a good game for you.' They played as hard defensively as they could in the second half."

Junior reserve Cam Brown gave the Hornets a lift by hitting three 3-pointers in the third quarter to give Beech Grove a 34-28 lead.

"I went into halftime and told my teammates to trust me that I was going to knock them down," said Brown, who finished with 13 points. "They trusted me. After I hit the first one, I was going to keep shooting. I feel when I come off the bench I can bring a lot of fire-power and energy. I can help us have great ball movement and be a leader on the floor."

Tied at 36-all in the fourth quarter, Beech Grove took control by hitting six consecutive shots.

Junior Jeremiah Tate added 12 points and a record nine steals for the Hornets. The nine steals are a tournament championship game record for all classes since the IHSAA began keeping that stat in 1977. The 43 points allowed by Beech Grove tied a record for the fewest allowed in Class 3A state final. New Castle previously allowed 43 in a victory over Jay County in 2006.

Tate said he credited the nine steals to watching a lot of film on Marian's guards.

"I got a grasp of all their moves," Tate said.

Renfro praised Tate's basketball IQ and the job Ball did defensively, too. Ball blocked three shots.

"Anthony changed a lot of shots, too," Renfro said. "Cam came in and hit shots. He also gave us some good work on the glass. Offensively, we hit our last six shots, so maybe that fourth quarter was our best."

Prior to the fourth quarter, Renfro challenged his team by saying it hadn't played its best basketball yet.

"I feel like we wore them down," Brown said. "We can go 10-deep because everybody trusts everybody. We know we have no drop-off one through 10."

The Hornets shot 36 percent while holding the Knights to 37.8 percent. Beech Grove had 37-23 rebounding edge.

Marian, ranked No. 2 in Class 3A, finished with 24-4 mark. Richard Brooks led Marian with 13 points.

"It's been a fun ride, and it's been absolutely awesome for the city of Beech Grove, the school and the community," said Renfro, a 1995 Beech Grove graduate. "They needed something to be positive about, and I think these kids provided it for them. When you play hard and have fun, people come to watch you and see how much fun you're having and how good a team and how good a teammate you are, they want to keep coming back. When you start winning, that's definitely going to tell people to come back. As we kept going and kept winning, more people kept showing up."

#### SHARED VISION

Mike Renfro was an assistant to the late Matt English at Beech Grove for three years. Renfro took over for English as interim head coach in 2018-19 when English had to step down because of brain cancer. English died in December 2018.

"The toughest day of my life was telling those kids that Coach English had passed away," Renfro said. "Right there, I knew they were looking at me to try to lead them to where we are now. The vision was the same for Coach (English) and I. We're two kind of the same men. We're tough, hard-nosed guys. We're blue-collar guys. That's what I try to instill in my kids as well. The kids fight and they work together. Fighting and being a blue-collar team just won them a state championship. They're a great bunch of kids," junior Cam Brown said.

This was the fourth consecutive sectional title for the Hornets under Renfro, who was named the full-time coach after his first season.

The Hornets graduate two seniors: starter Damon Thompkins and reserve Damonte Henderson. The rest of the regulars are juniors.

"We'll be back next year, I know that for a fact," Brown said. "We're going to work hard in the offseason and summer to be ready to be on this stage again."

Renfro said one thing is certain, "We'll going to get everybody's best shot, that's for sure."



(Left) Head Coach Brie Fangman with the Beech Grove cheerleaders. | (Right) Beech Grove coaching staff pose with the State Champions trophy. | (Submitted photos)

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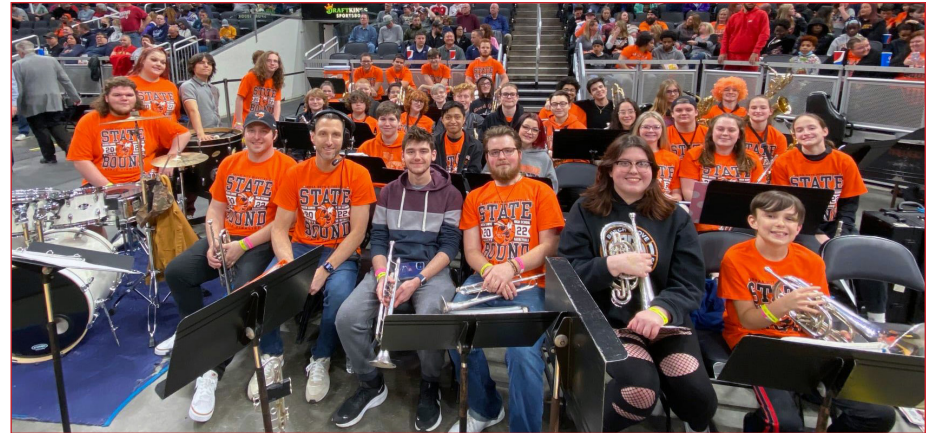


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Beech Grove City Schools Superintendent Dr. Laura Hammack, Head Coach Mike Renfro, and Beech Grove High School Principal Andy Karr. (Submitted photos)



Beech Grove Band members were excited to perform at state.



First state championship at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.

## FINAL SCORE

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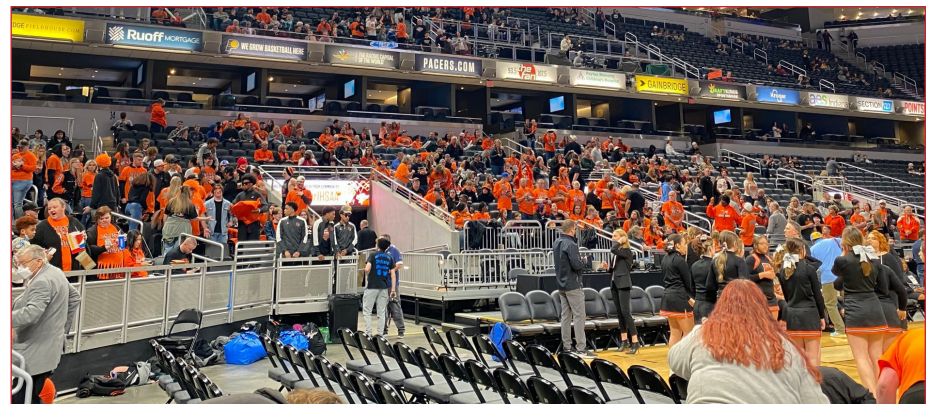
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# 43

**Marian (IN)**  
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AROUND TOWN

Home sales continue to increase on the Southside

**Real Estate** - The residential real estate markets in both Greenwood and Southport experienced a solid February. According to F.C. Tucker Company, homes in Greenwood sold one day, or 6.7% faster, and homes in Southport sold three days, or 16.7% faster than in February 2021. Home sale prices also increased compared to this time last year, with the average sale price for a Greenwood home increasing 24.8% to \$279,224, and the average sale price for a Southport home increasing 15.2% to \$229,497. The average price per square foot also increased in both Greenwood and Southport, compared to this time last year, with Greenwood experiencing a 16.3% increase and Southport seeing a 27.9% increase.

High demand, low supply leads to decreased permit numbers

**Housing** - The Builders Association of Greater Indianapolis (BAGI) has announced that in central Indiana's nine-county area, single-family building permits are down 15% over February 2021, with 669 permits issued last month compared to 818 the year prior. The association stated this is more of an ongoing and increasing supply issue and not consumer demand. In fact, demand has and continues to keep the inventory of newly built and existing homes in central Indiana at record lows. Low supply, coupled with high demand, leads central Indiana to see a 15% decrease in single-family building permits. In Johnson County, there were 172 permits from January - February 2021 and 84 at that same time in 2022. In Marion County, there were 192 permits from January to February 2021 to 196 in 2022 - a slight increase defying the statewide trend. For more information, call (317) 236-6330; or visit BAGI.com/permits/ for permits numbers from 2000-2022.

Patty Hagenmaier announces run for Perry Township Trustee

**Upcoming Election** - Long-time Perry resident Patty Hagenmaier has announced that she will run for Perry Township Trustee in the upcoming May Republican Primary. Patty has worked for Perry Township Schools for 26 years. She is currently at the Southport 6th Grade Academy as administrative assistant to the principal. Patty is a 1982 graduate of Seccina Memorial High School and attended Little Flower grade school. She received an associate degree in business administration from the University of Indianapolis in 1984. She has been a Republican Precinct Committeeman for many years and served on the Perry Township Board. She currently attends St. Jude Catholic Church. Patty can be reached at PattyHagenmaier@gmail.com.

Bob Rohman's **INDY** Athlete of the Month  
**HONDA** Jeremiah Alexander

By Mark Ambrogi

This was a dream season for junior point guard Jeremiah Alexander and his Beech Grove basketball team.

The Hornets, who never won a boys basketball regional before, captured the Class 3A state title by beating Mishawaka Marian 53-43 March 26 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.

"Winning state is just such a surreal feeling," Alexander said. "It's something not very many people get to experience in their lifetime."

Alexander averaged nine points and four assists a game for the Hornets (22-6).

"Alexander is a really good kid on and off the floor," Hornets coach Mike Renfro said. "He's kind of the glue on the floor when things are going all crazy. He's the one that calms us down. He's made some big shots."

One of them came in the state championship game when Alexander hit a 3-pointer in the fourth quarter to give the Hornets a 43-38 lead.

"I think that 3-pointer did definitely help seal the deal," Alexander said.

"Cam Brown came in and hit some big shots and got our momentum going really good (in the third quarter). Then I hit a couple of shots in a row, and it had us rolling from there."

Alexander led the Indiana Crossroads Conference in assists.

"He's a guy who can get his own shot, but he can create shots for others as well," Renfro said.

Alexander said having Anthony Ball this season made a big difference. The 6-foot-6 Southport High School transfer had 17 points and 20 rebounds in the championship game. Prior to the final, Ball averaged 15.1 points and 8.5 rebounds.

"Ant (Ball) takes a lot of pressure off us guards because he draws a lot of attention in the post," Alexander said. "When he draws that attention, he allows us to have more space and get open shots off the back side. Knowing we had to lock in and focus on the bigger picture helped us with our success."

Alexander said the team is close with several members playing together since middle school.

"We had time to build our chemistry,"

*Jeremiah Alexander was a key contributor as starting point guard on Beech Grove's state championship team. (Photo courtesy of Mike Renfro)*



he said. "Having Ant coming over this year, it took a minute to get our chemistry together because he was newer to us. We had to find our niche."

With losing just two seniors in the 10-man rotation, Alexander said the tournament experience and success will help the Hornets next season.

Personally, Alexander said he has made the most improvement in shot selection and decision making.

"Last year I was very green," he said. "I've developed on being smarter on the court. I'm understanding mismatches on the offensive and defensive end and figuring out what we have to do to win."

In addition to basketball, Alexander is a left fielder on the Hornets baseball team.

"Growing up baseball was my favorite until I started playing basketball more and I fell in love with the game," said Alexander, who is seeking to play basketball in college.

THE ALEXANDER FILE

**NAME:** Jeremiah Alexander **fielder in baseball**  
**SCHOOL:** Beech Grove **FAVORITE ATHLETES:** Stephen Curry, Kevin Durant, Kobe Bryant and LeBron James  
**CLASS:** Junior **FAVORITE MUSIC:** Older rhythm and blues  
**HEIGHT:** 6-foot-3 **FAVORITE TV SHOW:** "Stranger Things"  
**AGE:** 17 **FAVORITE SUBJECT:** English  
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Participants in the Young Adult Connection program at Autism Community Connection give thanks to those who support the program. (Submitted photos)



A group from Autism Community Connection's Young Adult Connection program plays card games together.



Donna Jones, pictured on the right, drops off a collection box for the Be the Change for Autism fundraiser to Abby Jackson, owner of Abby's Closet in Greenwood.



The Young Adult Connection meets regularly, helping adults over 18 years old who have autism maintain social skills, long-lasting friendships and more.

## Be the Change for Autism

Leadership Johnson County group creates fundraising campaign for Autism Community Connection

FEATURE

By Nicole Davis

One Leadership Johnson County (LJC) group is celebrating Autism Awareness & Acceptance Month the entire month of April by helping raise money for Autism Community Connection (ACC).

The fundraiser, Be the Change for Autism, was developed by the LJC Class of 2022 group, Connect 6 for Autism. The group's five members - Donna Jones, Amy Key, Chris Kolderup, Lindsey Turner and Cyndi Wesley - have lined up 45 businesses around Johnson County which will participate by putting out a donation box. Restaurants will also be given coasters with QR codes on them, leading customers to the fundraiser's website where donations can also be made online.

"It's more than a fundraiser," Jones said. "We're taking all of the boxes, all of the businesses, and we're putting all of this material together into a marketing program for Autism Community Connection so they can repeat it next year."

All funds will go to ACC, a nonprofit headquartered in the Center Grove area. ACC serves individuals with autism and their families in and around Johnson County. The Be the Change for Autism fundraiser will specifically benefit Young Adult Connection, a program which helps young adults with autism, age 18 and older, maintain friendships and a healthy social life. Currently there are three small groups which meet through this program.

"I happen to be really good friends with a family whose daughter has autism," Jones said. "She's 24 years old and very dear to me. I've known Katie since she was 8, 10. I've watched her grow into a lovely young lady but I also know she has severe limitations. Katie made all these friends in high school, as do all young adults. But once they're out of high school they lose all those social connections and life skill opportunities. That's where Autism Community Connection comes in. They help Johnson County families continue to grow socially,

emotionally and with their life skills. Employment is a big issue. They do even more with them from an employment perspective. This really touched my heart."

So Jones shared what she knew of the nonprofit with her LJC group. LJC is an adult community leadership training program at Franklin College. Class participants are divided into groups and work on projects which address opportunities and challenges in the community. They ultimately chose to take on fundraising for ACC as their project. Be the Change 4 Autism is based and expanding on the fundraiser that was done for ACC in 2021. Main & Madison Cafe in Franklin does a generosity jar that they leave out for an entire month. Last year in July, the shop raised the most money they ever have - \$11,000 - for ACC.

"For a small nonprofit, that was a game changer to us," said Kelli Higgins, ACC executive director.

In addition to those funds, the Johnson County Community Foundation awarded ACC a grant for its Young Adult Connection. This allowed ACC to hire a program coordinator and a program assistant.

"The program is slowly growing the way we'd like it to grow," Higgins said. "There is a lot of potential to raise some good money through this (Be the Change for Autism fundraiser). Not only that, it's bringing awareness to the community and bringing our name out there. There is potential for a lot of funds that can help this organization with our reach in the community, not only for Johnson County but for surrounding counties. We have a lot of ideas and a lot of vision for this organization and this will be very helpful."

To view which businesses are participating or to donate, visit [autismcc-in.org/be-the-change-for-autism](http://autismcc-in.org/be-the-change-for-autism).

"It's been a rewarding experience," Jones said. "If we can be the change for these young adults and give them the quality of life that they deserve, then let's do it."



(Top left) Bonnie Wooten. | (Bottom left) From left, Regent Patricia Moy and Bill Ciriello. | (Right) Jack Selby  
(Submitted photos)

## Samuel Bryan Chapter remembers Vietnam vets

### FEATURE

By Samuel Bryan Chapter of DAR

To remember the 50th Anniversary of National Vietnam War Veterans Day, the Beech Grove chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and Hornet Park Community Center partnered to host a “Soup-er Veterans Appreciation Event” on March 26 for Beech Grove’s super veterans.

Bonnie Wooten, DAR State vice-chair of the Service for Veterans committee, represented the Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Inc. which is joined with the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs to gift each Indiana Vietnam veteran with a special appreciation gift that includes a 160-page hardcover book, “A Time to Honor,” and an interactive eBook, and the DVD documentary, “The Journey Home.” In addition, pictures were taken of each veteran that received those gifts.

Sharon Manifold, Samuel Bryan Chapter’s chair of the Service for Veterans committee, also presented all veterans with a certificate of appreciation from the Daughters of the American Revolution, each signed by chapter Regent Patricia Moy.

Other gifts of gardening starter kits, playing cards, and miscellaneous fishing gear were provided from the Samuel Bryan Chapter. In addition, the Knights of Columbus of Indiana donated 3 x 5 American flags, and

The Gideons International donated “camo” pocket Bibles. Several veterans won door prizes. Army veteran Jack Selby won the Navy pillow, and he asked the DAR for help to find an old friend. Samuel Bryan Chapter Registrar Kim Shepherd stepped up and found his long lost friend, retired Rear Admiral Jack Mamuw residing in Chicago. Selby gifted the Navy pillow to his friend from one “Army Jack to Navy Jack.”

HVAF of Indiana was also on hand to give any needed assistance. HVAF’s mission is to improve the lives of homeless veterans by providing supportive housing, employment, food, clothing, plus other veteran needs.

Veterans with their wives and family members gathered for an afternoon meal of hearty soups and stews provided by the Hornet Park Community Center. Beech Grove’s mayor, Dennis Buckley, and his wife, Patty, also attended and spoke and shook hands with many veterans. One noted veteran, Bill Ciriello, was remembering his 74th anniversary to the day that he was discharged from the US Navy, serving in World War II on the USS Dayton.

The Samuel Bryan Chapter is also coordinating the Military Banner program of Beech Grove as a fundraiser for the chapter. Banners can be seen posted along Main Street in their first year of the banner program. Preparations have already started for next year’s 2023 Military Banners program. For more information, email samuelbryanchapterdar@gmail.com.

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## Southside Educator OF THE Month



### Compiled by Nicole Davis

The last Thursday of each month, we recognize staff of Southside schools recommended by other staff members, students and parents. Do you know an educator that deserves to be recognized? Please email their name, grade or subject they teach, school name and reason(s) for nomination to [nicole@icontimes.com](mailto:nicole@icontimes.com). Congratulations to this month's nominated educators of the month: **Kathy Nalley-Schembra**, Roncalli High School, **Danielle Burch**, Greenwood Christian Academy, **Kara Muckherheide**, William Henry Burkhart Elementary School.



### Kathy Nalley-Schembra

RONCALLI HIGH SCHOOL  
TEACHER AND COACH

For 50 years, Kathy Nalley-Schembra has served Roncalli in exemplary fashion as a teacher and coach. From 1972 to 2007, she was the head volleyball coach at Roncalli and had a record of 911-328 and won three state titles in 1981, 1998 and 2006. In 2008, she was inducted into the ICGSA Volleyball Hall of Fame. In addition to her success on the court, Kathy continues to be a master teacher at Roncalli in the Health and Physical Education Department serving as the department chairperson and teaching health and childhood development. Her love for the school, content, and students is on display on a daily basis at Roncalli!

*\*Nominated by Roncalli High School*



### Danielle Burch

GREENWOOD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY  
TEACHER

Mrs. Danielle Burch goes above and beyond both inside and outside of the classroom when working with students, families, and colleagues to ensure student success in her science classes. She recently worked to obtain her license to teach dual credit biology through Vincennes University, which will help to expand course offerings at GCA for the benefit of its high school students.

*\*Nominated by Greenwood Christian Academy*



### Kara Muckherheide

WILLIAM HENRY BURKHART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
FOURTH GRADE  
TEACHER

Mrs. Muckherheide is an educator whose passion for growing students and giving them the best possible

education is priority number one. Mrs. Muckerheide is great at finding ways to push her students to do exceptional things! She is always on the search for ways to enhance the educational experience for her fourth grade students. This year Mrs. Muckerheide developed hands-on lessons featuring edible simple machines and a pollution demonstration. She also improved upon a geography unit in which the students created flyers and salt dough maps and added a tri-fold presentation board activity to enhance student Wax Museum projects. Mrs. Muckerheide also organized a pumpkin drop activity with a local Perry Township Fire Department in which students engineered ways to protect the pumpkin from splitting open once it hit the ground. Beyond her incredible teaching prowess, it is important to note that Mrs. Muckerheide ensures her students feel supported and valued each day. She sets high expectations for each one of her students, and they know she believes in them and their ability to succeed. She emphasizes the importance of growth, not perfection, to her students. The relationships Mrs. Muckerheide builds and her love of teaching inspires her students every day!

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## Jumpstart your health with spring wellness tips

By Robert Gonzalez, M.D.  
Pediatrician  
Eskenazi Health

Now that spring has arrived, it's time to finally step outside and enjoy fresh warm air, watch the grass and other plant life turn green and relish the opportunity to envelop ourselves in spring wellness activities.

Old man winter is dead and gone and the COVID-19 pandemic that has intruded on our lives, now in its third year, is showing signs of waning. So now is the time to go outside and enjoy many of our favorite activities for the first time in way too long. Here's some tips that will help you get the most out of the spring wellness season.

To begin, with the weather getting warmer, now is the perfect time to get outside and start walking more. Walking is the perfect low-impact exercise that boosts your cardiovascular health without leaving you sore and out of breath. Plus, it's easy to fit in more steps every day, such as choosing the stairs or walking to nearby errands rather than driving. Walking will help you lose weight and fire up your moribund metabolism, and it will help you become the best version of yourself. Walking is also a great way to relieve stress and put you in a great mood.

One of the best spring wellness tips is for you to find your favorite way to stay moving, and spring is the ideal time to begin a new fitness regimen. Find something you enjoy doing, whether it's softball, tennis, golf, jogging, swimming, yoga or anything else that keeps you active. Try to do it whenever you can and have fun with it as well.

To feel even better now that spring has sprung, consider spring-cleaning your body by cutting out heavier comfort foods

and trying more fresh fruits and vegetables. You'll naturally eliminate toxins and start to get your weight back in check for warmer weather, and you'll likely feel better, too.

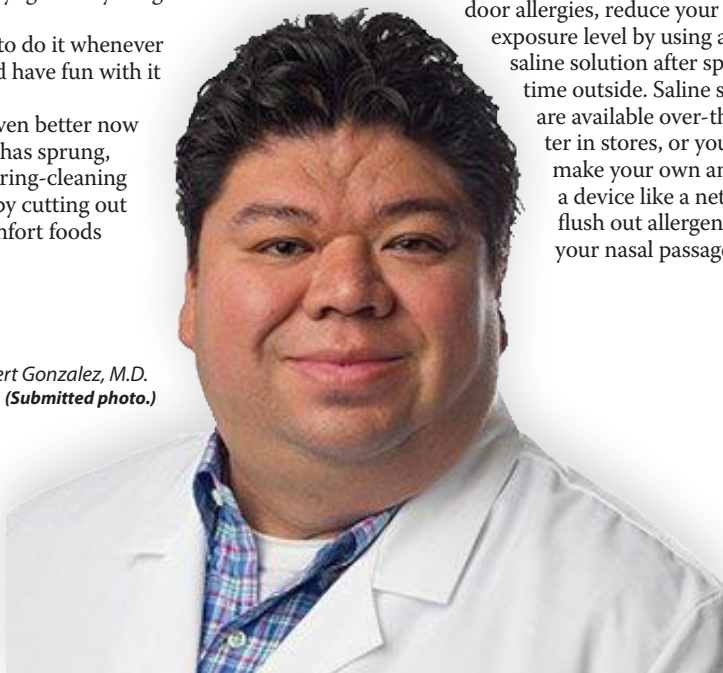
Consider finding fulfillment by enjoying nature and the great outdoors as often as you can. Many believe breaking away from indoor barriers leads to an improved attention span that may give you a boost in serotonin (the feel-good neurotransmitter) and increase brain activity.

Don't forget that too much sunshine during the spring season can be exceedingly harmful. In addition to spending time in the shade, your best bet to protect your skin is to use sunscreen or wear protective clothing when you're outside. In the continental U.S., destructive UV rays tend to be strongest from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

As you become more active outside when the temperatures rise, be mindful that you're likely to sweat more than you have in months, and dehydration can pose serious health risks if it's unchecked.

When it's warmer outside and your physical activity increases, your body can lose more moisture through sweating than it has in months, even if you don't feel yourself perspiring. Dehydration can pose serious health risks if severe – and even if you're just mildly dehydrated, it can cause fatigue, low energy and headaches. To prevent dehydration, it's important to take proactive steps to drink enough water throughout the day, so keeping a water bottle handy at all times, especially when you're working out, is a good idea.

If you experience springtime outdoor allergies, reduce your effective exposure level by using a nasal saline solution after spending time outside. Saline sprays are available over-the-counter in stores, or you can make your own and use a device like a neti pot to flush out allergens from your nasal passages.



Robert Gonzalez, M.D.  
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### AROUND TOWN

#### Kroger participates in 'Test to Treat' COVID-19 program

**Antiviral** - Kroger Health, the healthcare division of The Kroger Co., announced its support of the Biden Administration's "Test to Treat" initiative for patients exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. The service is available at all 225 locations of The Little Clinic in Arizona, Colorado, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio and Virginia. Following a positive test and if otherwise clinically appropriate, at The Little Clinic, patients will receive their antiviral prescription which can now be filled at a Kroger pharmacy. Patients may schedule a test at [kroger.com/health/clinic](https://kroger.com/health/clinic) and select, "COVID Viral Test (Test Active Infection)" as the reason for their visit. The US COVID-19 Therapeutic Locator provides additional information here: [covid-19-therapeutics-locator-dhhs.hub.arcgis.com](https://covid-19-therapeutics-locator-dhhs.hub.arcgis.com)

#### March is National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

**Franciscan Health** - Colorectal cancer screening can detect precancerous growths, or polyps and allow them to be removed before they have a chance to transform into cancer. Polyps and even cancers can grow silently and cause no symptoms which is why screening is encouraged even if you are symptom-free. Among cancers that affect both men and women, colorectal cancer (cancer of the colon or rectum) is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States. "Colon cancer screening with colonoscopy is a potentially life-saving procedure that should be performed on any person age 45 or older, regardless of whether or not they have symptoms or problems. It is the only procedure in which polyps can be both detected and removed," said Dipen Maun, MD, a surgeon with Franciscan Physician Network Indiana Colon & Rectal Specialists Mooresville. "This should be done at a younger age if there is a family history of colon polyps or cancer. Please consult your doctor to determine the best age to start screening." The American Cancer Society also recommends screenings starting at age 45. In 2020, a new Indiana law required insurance companies to cover colonoscopies at that age instead of the previously recommended 50. For additional information and to schedule a colonoscopy or take a colon risk assessment, go online at [FranciscanHealth.org/ColonCare](https://FranciscanHealth.org/ColonCare).

## PHOTO of the WEEK



Perry Kiwanis member Kevin Wheeler, leader of the club's Read Aloud Program, recently visited Homecroft Elementary School to read to Jane Fletcher's second-grade class. Read Aloud is one of several community service programs conducted by the club during the year. Others include cooking breakfast for Ronald McDonald House residents, conducting a bicycle safety rodeo, and organizing the distribution of coats, shoes and food for local families in need. In addition, Kiwanis supports several community organizations including Hunger Inc., Perry Senior Services and Riley Hospital for Children among others, and awards post-high school scholarships. Support for these programs is obtained through various fundraisers including a concession stand operated during Baxter YMCA spring and fall youth athletic league games starting April 23 and a golf outing set for June 23. For more information about the club, visit its Facebook page, [facebook.com/KiwanisOfPerryTownship](https://www.facebook.com/KiwanisOfPerryTownship). (Submitted photo)

## HUMOR



## Top 10 suggestions for summer jobs for kids - 2022

By Torry Stiles

10. Internet newspaper route
9. Academy Awards ceremony security guard
8. Mask monitor
7. Brussels sprouts taste tester
6. Beech Grove basketball trophy polisher
5. Top 10 list proofreader
4. Highway bridge inspector
3. UIndy crossing guard
2. Indiana Pacers coach
1. Joe Biden interpreter



## BELIEVE IT!

**Our nation has all sorts of arcane, nonsensical laws on the books. Each week, we'll share one with you ...**

In Blythe, Calif., you are not permitted to wear cowboy boots unless you already own at least two cows.

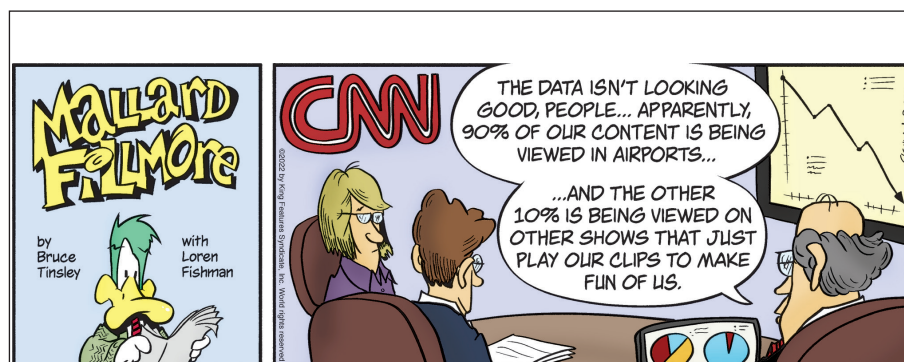
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## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"I can accept failure. Everyone fails at something. But I can't accept not trying."*

- Michael Jordan

## CARTOON





# NIGHT & DAY

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### BEECH GROVE

**Build Your Own Movie Machine with Jeremy South** • Discover the magic of animation by creating your own zoetrope! A forerunner to the modern movie, a zoetrope creates the illusion of motion from a series of individual pictures. Program is for ages 8 and up. | When: April 9, 10 - 11 a.m. | Where: Beech Grove Branch library, 1102 Main St. | Info: indypl.org

### CENTER GROVE

**Code Ninjas First Birthday** • Code Ninjas, the kids' computer coding dojo, turned 1 year old on March 22. The official celebration will include a ceremonial ribbon cutting, snacks, prizes, and fun and learning through STEM. | When: April 5, 4 p.m. | Where: 1259 N. State Road 135, Suite B, Greenwood. | Info: codeninjas.com/indianapolis

**Small Pet Adoption Meet & Greet** • EARPS Animal Rescue will have adoptable small pets, such as guinea pigs, rabbits, rats, and hamsters for this family program. | When: April 9, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Where: White River Branch library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org

### GARFIELD PARK

**Herb Gardening with Kids** • Join the Central Indiana Herb Society this spring for an introduction to herbs and starting an herb garden. Registration required. \$6 per person, for kids ages 6 to 13. | When: April 2, 10 - 11:30 a.m. | Where: Garfield Gardens Conservatory, 2505 Conservatory Dr., Indianapolis. | Info: garfieldgardensconservatory.org

**Opening Reception | Through the Lens Photography Exhibit XV: heART of Photography** • Join on the First Friday of every month for the opening reception of our latest exhibition. Mingle with local artists in the exhibition and peruse the artwork reflecting each month's theme. | When: April 1, 7 - 9 p.m. | Where: Garfield Park Arts Center, 2432 Conservatory Dr., Indianapolis. | Info: gpacarts.org/events

**Herbal Gifts** • Join the Herb Society of Central Indiana for a workshop on making herbal gifts for Mother's Day or any day. Make sachets, tussie-mussies from fresh herbs and among other items. There will be handouts, recipes, and herbal goodies to sample. Registration required. | When: April 2, 10 - 11:30 a.m. | Where: Garfield Gardens Conservatory, 2505 Conservatory Dr., Indianapolis. | Info: garfieldgardensconservatory.org

**Bonsai 101** • Join instructors from the Indianapolis Bonsai Club and dive into the basics of bonsai. This workshop will cover the basics of this unique form of art. Trees and supplies will be available for purchase. | When: April 9, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | Where: Garfield Gardens Conservatory, 2505 Conservatory Dr., Indianapolis. | Info: garfieldgardensconservatory.org

### GREENWOOD

**Social Reception** • Interested in joining the Greenwood Rotary Club? Ask questions and socialize with members at this gathering. Cost: \$10 for current members, includes light snacks, no cost for prospective members. Beer and wine purchased separately. | When: April 5, 4 - 6 p.m. | Where: SmockTown Brewery, 223 W. Main St., Greenwood. | Info: greenwoodrotary.org

**Spring Lawn Care** • Proper planning and actions this spring will add great benefits to your lawn for the whole year. Learn about fertilizer, weeds, aeration, and more. Presented by Richard Huber, Master Gardener. | When: April 7, 6 - 7:30 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St., Greenwood. | Info: Register at greenwood-library.us or call (317) 881-1953

**Breakfast with the Bunny** • The Easter bunny is making his way to Greenwood. Reserve your table and join for some Easter festivities. A breakfast will be served, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt and photos with the Easter Bunny. Tables are limited. Price is \$40 per table of up to six people. Children under the age of two do not count in the total. | When: April 9, starting at 8:30 a.m. for the first session and 10 a.m. for the second session. | Where: Community Center 100 Surina Way. | Info: greenwood.in.gov

**Spring Concert** • Greater Greenwood Community Band is kicking off 2022 with a concert titled «Springtime Soundscape.» Blossoming with a powerful presentation of music to motivate through uplifting marches, melodies, and springtime ballads, this is a concert to immerse you in a soundscape for celebrating the beauty of Spring. | When: April 10, 2 p.m. | Where: Greenwood High School auditorium. | Info: GreenwoodBand.org

**Bids 4 Kids Auction and Spring Sing** • Proceeds from the auction will be used for the purchase of instruments for the Music Program at Northeast Elementary School, as well as other kid-focused programs in the Greenwood area. | When: April 11, 5:30 p.m. | Where: Greenwood High School auditorium. | Info: Facebook: GreenwoodRotaryClub

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## AN OPTION

### Rise & Shine Breakfast House

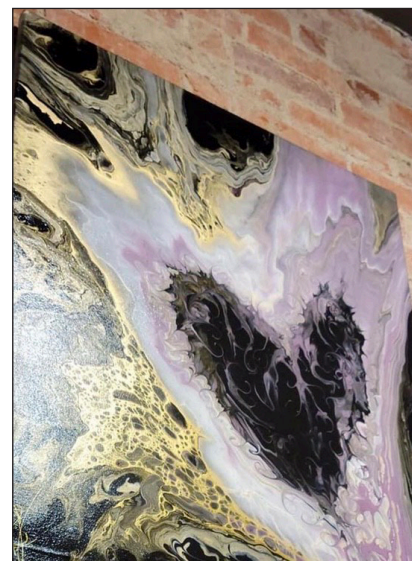
There's something about starting the day in a small, family-owned restaurant for breakfast. Your server knows your name, how you like your eggs cooked and you never have to ask for refills on coffee. "Save yourself from a mediocre chain restaurant and just go here," advised a Google reviewer. "The food was hot, fresh and absolutely delicious. Portions were huge. Prices were fair. Best food, service and environment I've had in a long time." Customers of Rise and Shine enjoy sausage gravy over eggs and toast with home fries, the variety of pancakes (including cinnamon swirl), Philly steak skillet, the French toast sandwich with scrambled eggs and bacon, breakfast burritos, crepes, honey chicken with waffles, hot chocolate and white chocolate cappuccinos.



No fruit is off limits on your pancake order. (Photo courtesy of Rise & Shine Breakfast House's Facebook page)

Hours are 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday. For more information, go to riseandshinebreakfasthouse.com or call (317) 974-9400.

## SPOTLIGHT



"I'm Coming Back Stronger," painted 2021' with acrylic on canvas. (Art by Paula Jessup)

### One-Artist-Show: Paula Jessup

As a young person, Paula Jessup was always interested in art, and loved drawing as a teenager. After purchasing her first digital camera in her 20's, she taught herself to use computer programs with the help of her father. Editing her minimalistic photos with Adobe and Photoshop led to an interest in fluid art in 2021. Drawing inspiration from nature, Jessup's paintings are dictated by either the color or composition, both working together to make a cohesive piece. Like many people over the last few years, she found herself with extra time and the need for something positive and beautiful in her everyday life. She became obsessed with color combinations, and the consistency, texture, and fluid movement of the paint. Capturing that moment in time is absolutely magical. Her artwork will be displayed at Southside Art League Off Broadway Gallery, 299 E. Broadway St., Greenwood, from April 6-30. Visit the gallery during regular hours, Wed. - Sat. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Meet the artist at the SALI Open House, Friday April 8, 6-8 p.m. For more information, call SALI (317) 882-5562



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## Titane

A disgusting story of family and a beautiful tale of transformation

### MOVIE REVIEW

By Bradley Lane

Julia Ducournau made me a fan with her debut feature film, *Raw*, which deftly balanced an emotionally complex coming-of-age story with a cannibal horror film. It is no secret that Ducournau finds tenderness in the most extreme of subjects. In some ways her approach to extreme topics can be traced back to the early 2000s French New Extremity movement, but what Ducournau has accomplished with her newest feature, *Titane*, is nothing short of a metamorphosis of that transgressive approach to filmmaking. The film has two poles of emotion that the audience is pulled between, and what makes it so incredible is that one could not work without the other.

Alexia is a dancer working as a car show girl, who has accumulated a small following of raving male fans for her salacious routines. The audience can tell immediate-

ly from this ferocious, almost violent dance routine, that Alexia has an idiosyncratic intensity about her. What isn't so clear until later in the runtime, is that Alexia has a compulsion to kill, and finds a sick twisted pleasure in inflicting pain onto others and even herself. However, the true hook of *Titane* only reveals itself after Alexia becomes desperate to escape police capture for her crimes and attempts to disguise herself in a horrible lie.

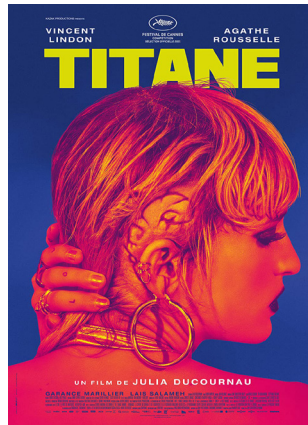
I will admit up front, I have a personal bias towards abrasive films and particularly the style of filmmaking Ducournau is drawing on in many instances of *Titane*. Filmmakers like Claire Denis, Gaspar Noe, and Pascal Laugier utilize extreme forms of sexuality and violence to transform their typical

associations with shock value into complex thematic richness through endowing their extreme content with a confrontational approach rather than a voyeuristic one. *Titane* continues this tradition but takes it a step further to mutate this with a tenderness and warmth typically reserved for intimate dramas, not quasi-horror films.

Alexia's character arc begins at violent murder and ends in holistic transformation. Along the way the film explores the beauty of found family, the malleability of sexuality and gender, transhumanism and the necessity to trust people enough to care for us. This last idea is what I couldn't shake most after the credits rolled on *Titane's* roller coaster of a runtime. The film's final moments represent this idea won-

derfully, and it is as touching a moment as it is brutal. This juxtaposition serves as an encapsulation of Ducournau's control over her craft.

It would take a thesis worth of research and interpretation to fully dissect the film's meaning, but like all great art, each person will leave with their own personal truth. To adapt a quote from another European provocateur Micheal Haneke, "if 300 people are in a cinema watching it, they will all see a different film, so in a way there are thousands of different versions of [*Titane*]." In my opinion, Julia Ducournau has made the must-see film of last year and a must see for anyone interested in film. *Titane* is currently available to stream on Hulu.



Bradley is a Beech Grove High School alumnus and has been enamored by film for as long as he can remember. He recently graduated from IUPUI, with a degree in Media and Public Affairs with a minor in Film. Bradley can be contacted at [blane2214@gmail.com](mailto:blane2214@gmail.com).

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### INDIANAPOLIS

**Hello Dolly!** • Hello Dolly!, is the romantic and comic exploits of Dolly Gallagher-Levi, turn-of-the-century matchmaker who is ready to make a match for herself. | When: March 31 - May 15. See times online. | Where: 9301 Michigan Road, Indianapolis. | [beefandboards.com](http://beefandboards.com)

**Paint Your Pet Fundraiser** • This pet painting event will benefit Footlite Musicals. Tickets are \$45 person and are required. | When: April 9, 11:30 - 2:30 p.m., or 3 - 6 p.m. | Where: Footlite Musicals, 1847 Alabama St., Indianapolis. | Info: Facebook: Footlite

### PERRY TOWNSHIP

**UIndy All-Ages Jazz Jam Session** • This free jazz show is put on by University of Indianapolis Jazz Band members. | When: April 3, 5 - 8 p.m. | Where: Books & Brew South Indy, 3808 Shelby St., Indianapolis. | Info: [booksnbrews.com/south-indy](http://booksnbrews.com/south-indy)

**Seed Starting** • Bethany Community Gardens presents free classes for beginner and experienced gardeners, led by gardening expert, Ginny Roberts. | When: April 5, 6 - 7:30 p.m. | Where: Bethany Community Gardens, 4702 S. East St., Indianapolis | Info: [facebook.com/bethanycommunitygardens](https://facebook.com/bethanycommunitygardens)

**Easter Egg Hunt** • Calvary Lutheran Church and School is hosting a free Easter Egg Hunt. There will

be a petting zoo, bounce houses, puppet skits, crafts, and free food. Holy Week Services include: Palm Sunday Weekend (4/9) 6:30 p.m. and (4/10) 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; Maundy Thursday (4/14) 3:45 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Good Friday (4/15) 6:30 p.m.; Easter Vigil (4/16) 6:30 p.m.; Easter Sunday (4/17) 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. | When: April 9, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Where: 6111 Shelby St., Indianapolis. | Info: [clcs.org](http://clcs.org)

### SOUTHPORT

**Easter Egg Hunt** • Bring your own basket. All ages welcome for this egg hunt in the park. Free cookies, punch and crafts will also be provided. | When: April 9, 11 a.m. | Where: 6901 Derbyshire Road, Southport. | Info: [southport.in.gov](http://southport.in.gov)

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## Placeholder names for every Tom, Dick and Harry

### GRAMMAR GUY

By Curtis Honeycutt

You probably know about placeholder names even if you don't know that's what they're called. That's the whole point; whether you're intentionally or unintentionally being nonspecific about something, chances are you're using a placeholder name.

Take names, for example. You know when you just can't put your finger on someone's name? We fill in the blank with Suzy Q. or whatshername. In marketing and legal documents, you might see John or Jane Doe, or perhaps their second cousin in Joe Schmoe. My favorite person placeholder name is what's-his-head.

Let's take a moment to talk business. When it comes to placeholder names relating to business and products, we can list a whole slew of them. It doesn't matter if your company makes gadgets, gizmos, widgets or thingamajigs – they make doo-hickeys or whatchamacallits over there.

You know what's-his-head – he works over at Acme making doodads.

We find placeholder names in the world of living things. For instance, "bug" is a catch-all term for any insect. Similarly, "critter" is a ubiquitous word for an animal. If that animal becomes unruly or starts knocking over your trash cans, it might classify as a "varmint."

Let's not leave out everyone's favorite animal, humans. When we refer to someone generically, we're using a placeholder name. From formal terms like Sir, Madam, Mr. and Ms. to colloquial phrases like bro, babe, honey or amigo, we use placeholder names instead of someone's actual name.

For me, there's a certain type of guy who will always use diminutive placeholder names instead of your real name: buddy, chief, sport, pal or my man. To the guy who refers to me in those terms, I'd like to say this: I am none of those things to you.

The world of computer programming has its own language around placeholder names. A metasyntactic variable is a placeholder term that doesn't otherwise violate the language the code or sequence

is written in. Common metasyntactic variables include foo, bar, baz, waldo, fred and thud. The names don't matter and will be replaced later.

It's about time we discussed placeholder names for time. For instance, the eleventh hour refers to the latest possible time. It doesn't matter what time it was – it was in the eleventh hour. Similarly, the crack of dawn is the earliest possible time you can wake up in the morning. What time is it when you want to go get drinks with friends? Either wine o'clock or beer thirty, depending on your drink of choice.

Placeholder names are everywhere, whether you live in Anytown, USA or out in the sticks, just north of the boondocks. Thanks for reading, pal.



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### Puzzle Time Answers

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Beech Grove Mayor Dennis Buckley, Clerk-Treasurer Jim Coffman and IMPO Executive Director Anna Gremling. (Submitted photo)

**Beech Grove receives ceremonial \$1.89 million check for Hornet Greenway pedestrian enhancements**

**Infrastructure Funding** - Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (IMPO) Executive Director Anna Gremling delivered an oversized check representing \$1,898,811 in federal funds to Beech Grove Mayor Dennis Buckley on March 22 at the Beech Grove Town Hall. The funding, which will help pay for pedestrian enhancements on the Hornet Greenway, will be available in 2024. As part of an annual funding process, Beech Grove planners submitted projects for consideration by the IMPO, which is responsible for planning and programming federal transportation funds in the eight-county Central Indiana region. Projects are judged based on such criteria as impacts to air quality, improvements to congestion, safety, pavement quality and more. "It's always a very competitive process, and this year there were 72 proposed projects. Beech Grove's project was among 30 that rose to the top," Gremling said. "Building and maintaining infrastructure is one of local governments' biggest challenges, and one of the ways they make a critical contribution to regional and state economies." Beech Grove was one of 15 communities and agencies in the region selected to receive federal funds. The total project cost is \$2,373,514, with 80% - \$1,898,811 - of it coming from federal funding through the IMPO.



(Top) Students show their love for St. Patrick's Day with plenty of green. | (Bottom left) A student wears a green bow for the holiday. | (Bottom right) A staff member dyed his beard for the occasion. (Photos courtesy of Beech Grove City Schools Facebook page)

**Beech Grove City Schools celebrate St. Patrick's Day**

**St. Patrick's** - BGCS students and staff were up to St. Patrick's Day shenanigans at school recently. Orange and black are still their favorite colors, but ... don't they look great in green?

**Beech Grove to break ground for new police station**

**Public Safety** - The city of Beech Grove will break ground for a new police station on Friday, April 1 at 11 a.m. The new police station will be located at the corner of Emerson Ave. and Main St., a key corridor along Emerson Ave. and a major gateway into the city. The entire parcel where the station will be built encompasses a footprint of a city block. The new, state-of-the-art facility will replace Beech Grove's current station at 340 E. Churchman Ave., which was built in 1973 and operates with original equipment. The new police station will be named in honor of longtime Beech Grove Mayor J. Warner Wiley, who served as police chief from 1968-1978. His family continues to live in Beech Grove, and will give remarks during the groundbreaking.

UPCOMING BEECH GROVE MEETINGS & EVENTS

**Board of Sanitation Meeting** • Meetings are open to the public. Board of Public Works & Safety meeting will follow. | When: April 4, 6 p.m. | Where: City Hall Council Chambers. | Info: beechgrove.com

**Beech Grove Common Council Meeting** • Meetings are open to the public. | When: April 4, 7 p.m. | Where: City Hall Council Chambers. | Info: beechgrove.com

**Board of Zoning Appeals** • Meetings are open to the public. | When: April 6, 1 p.m. | Where: City Hall Council Chambers. | Info: beechgrove.com

**Build Your Own Movie Machine with Jeremy South** • Discover the magic of animation by creating your own zoetrope! A forerunner to the modern movie, a zoetrope creates the illusion of motion from a series of individual pictures. Program is for ages 8 and up. | When: April 9, 10 - 11 a.m. | Where: Beech Grove Branch library, 1102 Main St. | Info: indypl.org

**Board of Parks and Recreation Meeting** • Meetings are open to the public. |

When: April 13, 7 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center. | Info: beechgrove.com

**April Networking Luncheon** • Strengthen business connections with the Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce. Speaking will be Robert Vane with Veteran's Strategies. | When: April 14, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center. | Info: BeechGroveChamber.org

**Franciscan Trail Ribbon Cutting** • Celebrate the Franciscan Trail, a greenway running through the city of Beech Grove. | When: April 15, 1 p.m. | Where: Sarah T. Bolton Park, 15th and Main Street. | Info: beechgrove.com

**Board of Sanitation Meeting** • Meetings are open to the public. Board of Public Works & Safety meeting will follow. | When: April 18, 6 p.m. | Where: City Hall Council Chambers. | Info: beechgrove.com

**Afterhours at WALA with Katsumi's Kitchen** • Join the Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce's Networking Afterhours, catered by Katsumi's Kitchen. | When: April

19, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. | Where: Wala on Main St., 616 Main St., Beech Grove. | Info: BeechGroveChamber.org

**Redevelopment Commission Meeting** • Meetings are open to the public. | When: April 21, 7 p.m. | Where: City Hall Council Chambers. | Info: beechgrove.com

**Going Green in the Grove** • Join for free trees and plants, activities for all ages, demonstrations, educational booths, collaborative art, art contest, raffle and silent auction and free electronics recycling. | When: April 30, 12 - 4 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center, 5245 Hornet Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: hornetparkcommunitycenter.com

**Celebrating the Roots of Our Food** • Join Marion County Public Health Department Nutrition Services as they explore the history of 18th century spice trade around the world and how cooks from Africa, South America and Cuba still influence foods in the US today. | When: May 4, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. | Where: Beech Grove Branch library, 1102 Main St. | Info: indypl.org

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**Richard D. Batts**

Richard D. Batts, 64, Indianapolis, died March 24, 2022. Survivors include his wife, Candy; children, Nicholas Bryant, Tracy (Nate) Flannery and Shannon Batts (Marsell Smith); 12 grandchildren; and three siblings. Visitation will be Saturday, April 2, 11 a.m. until service at 2 p.m. at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

**Dennis Lee Beach**

Dennis Lee Beach died March 23, 2022. He is survived by his children, Daniel Beach, Danielle Beach, Sean Lucas, Travis Lucas and Mikala Lucas; and 10 grandchildren. Memorial gathering: Tuesday, April 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Forest Lawn Funeral Home. Burial at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

**John T. Biggers**

John T. Biggers, 93, Indianapolis, died March 24, 2022. Survivors include his wife, Z. Edna; daughters, Carolyn Via and Shirley (Rick) Haggard; and 25 grandchildren. Services held March 30 at Indianapolis Baptist Temple. He was buried at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens. G.H. Herrmann handled the arrangements.

**John Robert Gafford**

John Robert Gafford, 52, of Bloomington, Ind., passed away on March 23, 2022. Arrangements have been entrusted to The Cremation Society of Indiana, 4115 Shelby St.

**Thomas "Tom" Nelson Gary**

Thomas "Tom" Nelson Gary, 76, Indianapolis, died March 21, 2022. Services held March 30 at Center United Methodist Church. Burial at Mount Pleasant Greenwood Cemetery. G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home handled arrangements.

**Travis Scott Key**

Travis Scott Key, 52, Morgantown, Ind., died March 20, 2022. Preceded in death: grandson, Aiden Yeary. Survivors: wife, Melissa Key; children, Lacey Beard, Amber Moore, Tommy Key, Ashley Yeary, Jonathon Yeary, Makayla Yeary; 10 grandsons; granddaughter; sister; brother-in-law; several nieces and nephews. No funeral services. Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

**Barbara Jean Mattingly**

Barbara J. Mattingly, 89, of Indianapolis, died March 23, 2022. Preceded in death: sons, Michael Mattingly and Mark Mattingly; grandchild, Gabriella Johnson. Survivors: children, Doug Mattingly, Brenda Rooney, Tim Mattingly, Deborah Butler and daughter-in-law, Debra Mattingly; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren. Funeral service on March 30 at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

**Bonnie Darlene Miller**

Bonnie Darlene Miller, 86, died March 27, 2022. Survivors: husband, David L. Miller; children, Bryan, Mark and Rebecca Miller, Diane Pennycuff; six grandchildren. Visitation: 11 a.m. until service, 1 p.m. Friday, April 1 at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home, 1605 S. State Road 135, Greenwood. Burial: Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

**Ralph "Bud" Monteith**

Ralph "Bud" Monteith, 86, of Indianapolis, Indiana, passed away on March 28, 2022. Bud is survived by wife, Carol of 66 years; Randy, and wife, Maureen, Ron and wife, Jan; sister, Nancy Talley and multiple grandchildren. Bud was predeceased by parents, Ralph and Lucille Monteith, and sister, Barbara Roberts. Celebration of Life, TBD.

**Richard Martin Norman**

Richard Martin Norman, 99, Indianapolis, died March 24, 2022. Preceded in death by wife, Ruby Norman. Survivors include son, Tony Norman, and daughter, Donna Moran; five grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Services: March 29 at G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

**Caleb James Treloar**

Caleb James Treloar, 27, Indianapolis, died March 23, 2022. Preceded in death: brother, Christian Treloar. Survivors: parents, Anita Treloar, Jay Treloar; son, Jet Treloar; sister, Alli Biszantz; brother, Nick Hinton; fiancé, Emily Johnson. Visitation: Saturday, April 2, 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. service, G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

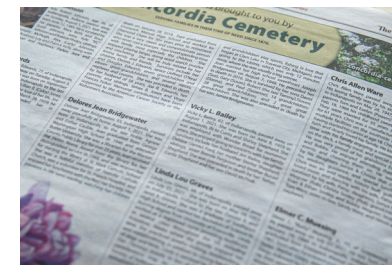
**Albert Freeman Turner**

Albert F. Turner, 77, Indianapolis, died March 18, 2022. Preceded in death: children, Carol (Burk), Donna (Hight) and Janet (Turner); three siblings. Survivors: wife, Beverly Turner; children, Melinda (Gary) Minardo, John (Lori) Hagan, Robert Hagan; 11 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; three siblings. Services held March 24 at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

**Ruth Ann Wodarcy**

Ruth Ann (McCormick) Wodarcy, Indianapolis, died March 15, 2022. Survivors: husband, Robert Wodarcy; son, Kyle Stout; daughter, Kelli Stout; stepchildren, BJ Wodarcy, Chris Wodarcy, Christina Isaacs; eight grandchildren; brother, Steven Joseph (Rita); McCormick; sister, Lisa Houze; and her sister-in-law, Joyce McCormick. Services held March 22 at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

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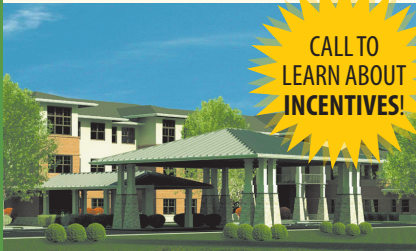
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