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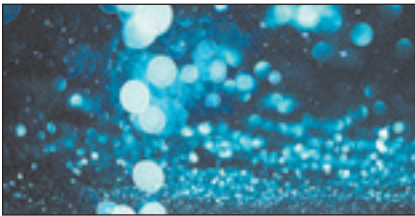
THIS WEEK on the WEB



University of Indianapolis study examines epidemic of teen substance addiction

A study conducted by University of Indianapolis researchers examining the epidemic of teenage substance abuse will be supported through a grant from the National Institute of Health/National Institute of Drug Abuse. The \$300,000 NIH/NIDA grant will support the study by the College of Applied Behavioral Sciences to address an ongoing issue impacting communities across the nation, including Indiana. The grant will fund The Teen Resilience Project, which focuses on understanding the obstacles of addiction and long-term recovery for 13- to 18-year-olds. Assistant Professor Katherine Kivisto at the University of Indianapolis will lead the study.

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2017 Gala for the Grove

Celebrating its most successful year in 2016, the Center Grove Education Foundation (CGEF) is at it again, planning the 2017 Gala for the Grove on April 21, 6 p.m. at The Crane Bay Event Center in Indianapolis.

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face to face

Q: March 30 is Vincent van Gogh's birthday.

Do you have a favorite artist, art form, or artistic piece? Why?

"I've always liked Frida Kahlo. She had an interesting way of looking at the world. She viewed herself more negatively than what the world viewed her. To see yourself worse than you really are, you always try to get better."



Paul Cloyd of Bargersville

"Picasso. I like his art style."



Madelyn Schwartz of Beech Grove

"Georgia O'Keeffe. I find her artwork inspiring and I love the vibrant colors that she uses. Her art reminds me of spring."



Doris Lake of Beech Grove

"It would definitely be Vincent van Gogh. He is really the only artist that I've worked with or really know about. In the fourth grade we had to repaint his picture of The Starry Night."



Brenda Brock-Cox, works in Perry Township

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Left, Laura navigating a log crossing. One of the perks of a walk in the woods. Right, The main street bordering the grist mill of Pioneer Village in Springmill Park. Inset, Wedding day at the top of the waterfall at McCormick's Creek Park. Photo by Rick Hinton

A walk in the woods

HAUNTS & JAUNTS

By Rick Hinton

There's nothing after a hard week of work like a walk in the woods. It becomes an escape and avenue of solitude. Hearing your breath, feeling the heartbeat in your chest as your feet navigate the inclines and the twists and turns of a narrow trail, becomes a symphony of music, if only played in your head. The wildlife may be unseen and just out of reach, but you know it's there nonetheless.

My wife Laura and I make these excursions a "we" retreat. We go when we can, often camping primitive style in tent, air mattress and Coleman stove. We have our favorite parks:

McCormick's Creek State Park in Spencer was the site of our wedding, saying our vows on the top of the waterfall as day hikers frolicked in the water below. The park's trails wind through hill and valley, through groves of beech and oak, through "I need a break" to "I've got this handled." And always the sport of creek hopping—leaping from boulder to rock while keeping your footwear dry.

Spring Mill State Park in Mitchell is one of our favorite camping destinations. The trails can be challenging with an array of dips and sways through steep ravines and sinkholes. The forest is so thick in places that the canopy fights the sun from breaking through. One trail parallels an ancient cemetery where pioneers from a different

era are buried. Laura and I always stop to examine the headstones. The trail drops from the hilltop, descending into the valley and Pioneer Village...

Pioneer Village was a living and breathing pioneer town originating in the early 1800s. Folks here etched out a living, working a community garden, hosting hogs for meat, raising children and finding a sense of satisfaction at the grist mill dominating the center of the village. The streets and buildings are as they were back in the day. The majority of the village's restoration was completed in the 1920s and 1930s. At night, after the days invasion of the park visitor, the village becomes something else. The consistent hum of the day has been replaced by a silence that is almost deafening. One hundred year old buildings seem to stare back at you. You imagine faces in the window of the grist mill as you stroll by. Shadows dart from your peripheral vision. Standing one night by the Leather Shop my wife and I heard a conversation from the back side of the building; no one was there.

One gets the distinct impression that some residents chose to remain behind.



Rick Hinton, a Southport resident, loves researching things that go bump in the night. His articles can be read on Facebook: Rick Hinton, Southport Paranormal Examiner. Hinton conducts paranormal investigations with his team, South Central Paranormal.

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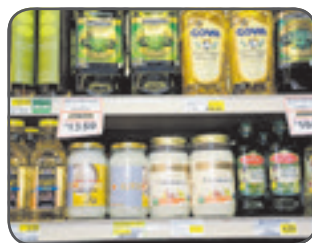
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SAFEWAY'S New way

By Nicole Davis

'New Item' tags are scattered throughout the shelves of the Safeway grocery store at 2176 Shelby St., Indianapolis. It's not only the number of items that has expanded, but the variety.

"Here, we've learned that we lacked a lot of items which we needed to carry," said Brad Cross, co-owner. "That's from the changes in the Fountain Square area. Millennials, their habits are a little different than my generation. The craft beers are fairly new but are a growing commodity. There's a number of items we've added, like the organic milk, mainly healthy stuff. We're trying to put the word out that anything people want us to carry, we can source it."

As new owners of Grace Foods, Cross and Scott Weaver are looking at ways to grow their stores and attracting the millennial generation is at the top of their list. The two purchased the five-store chain in November and have already begun implementing changes, planning a remodel and physical improvements. Utilizing their individual strengths, Cross oversees day-to-day operations while Weaver specializes on the financial side.

Cross is originally from Kokomo, Ind., growing up with relatives on each side of his family in the grocery business dating back to the Great Depression. His uncle used to own a huckster wagon and eventually he opened his own grocery store. Cross said he enjoyed visiting the store during school breaks and later working there. At 16, he got a job at a large grocery chain. After graduating from Indiana University, he went straight to work for that grocery chain and entered into management training.

"By that time, I decided I wanted to own my own grocery store," Cross said. "The only thing I have ever done is work at a grocery."

After six years, he switched to work for

Owners Brad Cross and Scott Weaver aim to transform Garfield Park/ Fountain Square Safeway grocery store

his uncle as a store manager to learn the independent side to the grocery business. Six years later, he went to work for another locally-owned grocery chain. For 26 years, the men who owned Safeway offered him a job and two years later he found himself in the position to purchase the business.

"I knew it was a good investment," Cross said. "This is a union shop. We provide (employees) with a pension, very good insurance. They are appreciative of it. They are the ones who have built the company. Over 20 people have been here 30 years or more. They're very loyal and appreciative."

Weaver, on the other hand, never imagined getting into the grocery industry. Having grown up in Indianapolis, he graduated from Greenwood Community High School, Ball State University and spent 15 years in state and local tax consulting. He was a partner in an accounting firm, leaving to become a partner in a boutique venture capital fund. In 2010, they purchased Grocers Supply, an independent grocery wholesale company. While running Grocers Supply, he met Cross.

In 2014, Weaver and another man started Heartland Markets. They purchased their first grocery store in Greentown, Indiana in April 2014. In 2015, they bought out another four-store chain out of Lafayette. In 2016, he sold Grocers Supply.

"It wasn't 30 days after I sold Grocers Supply that Brad contacted me and asked if I'd be interested in becoming his business partner in the Safeway grocery store chain," Weaver said.

Their stores include the Shelby Street location, at the 30th and Kessler, 56th and Illinois, 24th and Sherman and 16th and Emerson intersections. The company's headquarters is on the Southside, next to its store.

"Our store at 56th and Illinois we will be remodeling in the second quarter of this year," Weaver said. "We will add free wifi for customers. We will put in outdoor seat-

ing. We hope to do that at all of our locations and make it more of a destination. Everyone I talk to says the only way to get millennials into a business is to make it a destination."

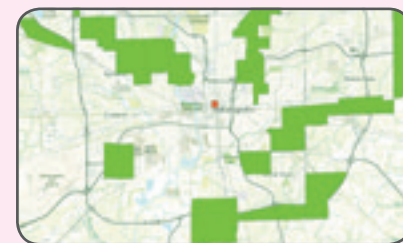
The Shelby Street store doesn't have space for outside seating, however, Weaver said they're considering putting seating inside with a coffee shop and more grab-and-go, pre-made food.

They have not only taken input from the employees, but have worked with leaders in the city to see what is needed in the areas their stores serve.

"That's the one thing I would stress is, people that live in the neighborhoods where our stores are, talk to our managers," Weaver said. "If we don't have what you're looking for, tell us. We want to sell what people want us to carry. I think you'll see more of that. We carried no organic anything until we purchased the stores last year. Our Shelby Street store, since we put in the organic produce, it's selling."

The next step is to begin signing customers up for digital communications. That communication can be tailored to sales at each store, letting everyone know about special deals and more.

"If they haven't been into a Safeway in awhile, come back in and shop us," Weaver said. "Remember that we're local. We're independent. We listen to our shoppers."



2015 food access map for Indianapolis area.

Photo courtesy of USDA Economic Research Service (ESRI)

FINDING FRESH FOOD in South Indy

The United States Department of Agriculture lists a large portion of the Southside of Indianapolis as a food desert, an urban area in need of access to affordable or high-quality fresh food.

"Indianapolis is probably the most competitive retail grocery market in the United States," said Scott Weaver, co-owner of Safeway which has a store at Shelby and Raymond Streets. "Statistics create an oxymoron, but it's true. It also has the highest number of food deserts in the U.S. when it comes to the number of people per capita in an area."

It's an issue the South Indy Quality of Life Plan, presented in December, is looking to address. The plan is divided into seven teams. One of the four main focuses of the Health and Wellness Action Team is making food more accessible, affordable and locally sourced.

"We have a lot of problems with accessibility," said Amie Wojtyna, health and wellness team co-chair. "We have major thoroughfares in this area. There is no built in infrastructure - there are no sidewalks. So even if there's a grocery store in walking distance, you can't get there safely. You have to be on a road. It's not conducive going to a grocery store."

Wojtyna said the team has several strategies to improve healthy food accessibility in the area, which include reviewing the types of foods grocery stores carry which are needed or desired by residents, cultivating relationships and programs to have more urban farming and community gardens, and finding ways to support food pantries. For these programs to succeed, there also needs to be an education component, teaching how urban farming works, or simply how to cook some of these fresh food items. Currently, the team is collecting data to aid in executing this plan.

The next health and wellness team meeting is April 5, 5:30 at Raymond F Branes School 65, 4065 Asbury St, Indianapolis, IN 46227.



Top, new organic, healthier items can be found in every aisle of the Safeway Store. Right, Brad Cross shows some of the new healthy, organic items in the Safeway store at the Shelby and Raymond Street intersection.

Photo by Nicole Davis



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PLANTING A STRONGER COMMUNITY

Orchard Park neighbors plant 300 trees to bring green back to the community

By Beth Wade

Approximately 40 Orchard Park community members and surrounding area volunteers came to plant over 300 trees within the Orchard Park neighborhood on March 25.

A hundred of the trees were donated to the community by Senator Sandlin, 100 by State Representative Behning, and the remaining bought by the Home Owners Association. Other sponsors of the project include Adrian Orchards, The Burmese American Community Institute (BACI), The Englewood Group, and Cahill's

Lawn & Landscape.

"One of the things we are trying to do," said Tony Adrian, "is bring trees back into this area so that years down the road this is a very green community."

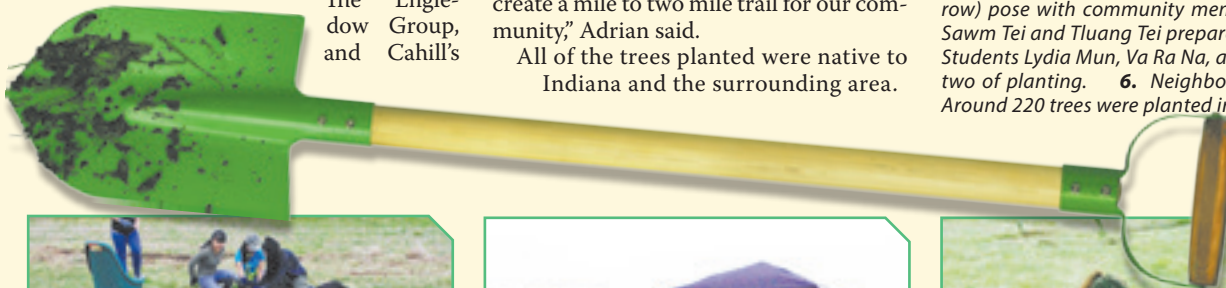
The HOA looks to add two soccer fields and possibly a volleyball or basketball court to the area surrounded by the new seedlings in the coming years. They also plan to create walking path for joggers and walkers extending from the pond and through the 300 trees planted. "We plan to place a crushed limestone path winding through the trees and around the pond to create a mile to two mile trail for our community," Adrian said.

All of the trees planted were native to Indiana and the surrounding area.



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1. Senator Sandlin (middle back row) and Representative Behning (kneeling on left end of the front row) pose with community members in support of the project. 2. Melony gathers worms while Sawm Tei and Tluang Tei prepare the hole. 3. Volunteers work to finish planting before lunch. 4. Students Lydia Mun, Va Ra Na, and Chay Short. 5. Community members eat before starting phase two of planting. 6. Neighborhood members Hannah and Becky add mulch to their hole. 7. Around 220 trees were planted in a perimeter surrounding a clearing. Photos by Beth Wade



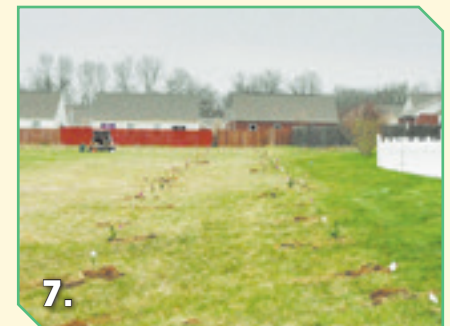
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Southside News Quiz

How well do you know your Southside community? Test your current event knowledge each week with a little Q&A!

1 Agape Performing Arts will perform *Les Miserables* beginning April 6 in Indianapolis. Which church is this youth theater based out of?

- A. Central Catholic
 B. Holy Name
 C. Our Lady of the Greenwood
 D. Lutheran

2 April is Autism Awareness Month. What is one symptom Fountain Square resident Katie White said she first noticed in her son which indicated that he had autism?

- A. Loss of eye contact
 B. Change in voice
 C. Speech delay
 D. Word repetition

3 Christopher Hawkins recently coached Crispus Attucks Class 3A boys basketball team to victory at the state championship. Where did Hawkins play basketball while he was in high school?

- A. Beech Grove
 B. Center Grove
 C. Crispus Attucks
 D. Southport

4 How many trees did the Orchard Park community plant on March 25?

- A. Fifty
 B. Two hundred fifty
 C. Three hundred
 D. Five hundred

5 The Safeway grocery store on Shelby Street has added many new products, including healthy, organic foods and craft beers, to change to the area and attract more _____.

- A. Business professionals
 B. Millennials
 C. School teachers
 D. Baby Boomers



Southside in STEAMWORKS

Perry Meridian Cyber Blue wins FIRST Robotics district event; three Southside teams advance to State

By Nicole Davis

Southside residents had the opportunity to watch FIRST Robotics teams in action without venturing far from home on March 23 to 25 at Perry Meridian High School.

All three Southside high school teams competing - Perry Meridian, Southport and Center Grove - have advanced to state. Perry Meridian's Cyber Blue came out on top as one of three champions at its home event and is now ranked number one in the state.

"It's great because one, we set up the field and get everything ready," said Cyber Blue's head mentor, Chris Foltz, about hosting the event. "All of the students are involved. It's much easier for family and friends, our sponsors and the students' classmates to get here and a plus from that perspective."

In order to win, teams were required to face nearly 40 other teams from across Indiana in a series of qualification matches. The game this year, FIRST STEAMWORKS, creates three-team alliances who compete to score points in various ways.

Team 1501 - Team THRUST from Huntington, Ind. was captain of the number two seeded alliance. From this position they picked 234 - Cyber Blue and 2197 - Las Pumas from New Carlisle, Ind. as alliance partners.

Cyber Blue team leader, Gage Barton, said part of their success was due to their robot, named Jeter after the man who created the term Steampunk.

"It's really fast," Barton said. "We definitely focused on the right parts of the game to build the robot around that. Our strategy worked out."

Twenty-nine teams qualified for the State Championship April 7 and 8 in Huntington, Ind. The top 10 teams in the state will qualify for the FIRST Championship in St. Louis, Mo. in late April.

From top, clockwise. From left, Perry Meridian's Katie Boyce, Ryan Herrington, Gage Barton, Phillip Rowland and Adam Crozier. Perry Meridian fans cheer on Cyber Blue. Southport fans watch in anticipation as the Cyber Cards compete. Center Grove's Red Alert has advanced to the state competition. CJ Wood with the Southport Cybercards communicates with his team.

Photos by Nicole Davis

ANSWERS ON PAGE 21

'BBQ Connoisseur's Paradise'

Calvary Christian School prepares for third annual CCSFest, with proceeds benefitting students and teachers

By Nicole Davis

Calvary Christian School teacher, Mrs. Sandy Johnston has used her new document camera nearly every day in her classroom since receiving it. With the camera projecting onto the whiteboard, the students are able to show off their artwork to classmates or display a book under it and read aloud.

The camera is courtesy of funds raised from last year's CCSFest.

"It's a great tool," Johnston said. "With it being a private school, if we have things we want to update, a fundraiser like this is a great way to do it."

In the past two years, the festival and BBQ competition, organized by a leadership team from the Parent Teacher Council, has used its funds to purchase a sign for the front of the school and contributed money for teachers to purchase items needed or desired in the classroom.

"CCS Fest has benefitted our school in a lot of ways, primarily because our teachers and classes are involved in some

part of the festival," said principal, Rev. Charles M. Barcus. "They're working towards some percentage of the profit. They can use the profit in some way that will benefit the kids in their class. Though it's a lot of work, it's uniting for a common purpose and that's a big, tangible benefit from CCS Fest."

The festival will take place, rain or shine, for the third year on April 8, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the school, 3639 S. Keystone Ave., Indianapolis. The event includes a professional Kansas City Barbeque Society competition, massive kids zone, car/bike show, artisan fair, live music, 25 food trucks, a fast-pitch competition and more. WIBC will broadcast at CCSFest, live.

New this year, sponsor All Star Roof, Siding and More purchased a replica Cubs World Series trophy and ring, which will be available for guests to pose for a selfie with for a \$5 charge. CCS will have its own food booth this year where its pit masters Aaron McCreery and Mike McFarland will smoke pork and sell a pulled pork plate



Sandy Johnston's class uses its document camera everyday for school lessons.

Photo by Nicole Davis

with two sides and a drink for \$10. Dr. Lindel M Anderson CCS' music director, dean of music at Indiana Bible College and Music Minister at Calvary Tabernacle is heading up the all-day live music schedule where more than 20 groups, choirs, soloists and musicians will perform.

"To me, what's fun is to see this little sea of people come together in our parking lot," Barcus said. "It comes together in a day and a half or so. The professional

cooks show up. The vendors show up. It's this beehive of people that come together for a couple of hours and then it's gone."

Barcus referred to CCSFest as a 'BBQ connoisseur's paradise,' between the professional competition and vendors which will sell bbq.

The festival raised \$10,000 for the school in 2015 and \$15,000 in 2016. The goal this year is \$20,000. For more information, visit ccsfest.com.

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Clockwise from bottom left, Cosette, played by Christina Canaday, and Marius, played by John Paul Plummer. "To Arms!" Cosette, played by Christina Canaday. Youth actors perform Do You Hear the People Sing. Agape students perform at the Indianapolis Arts Garden. Olivia Ortmann, who plays Eponine, performs On My Own at the Arts Garden. Grantaire, played by Chris Golab, teases Marius, played by John Paul Plummer, at Circle Center performance.

Submitted photos

Acting on demand

Greenwood's Dr. Kathy Phipps passes down her love of theater to area youth through Agape Performing Arts Company

By Cleveland Dietz II

After 30 years of directing theater, Greenwood resident Dr. Kathy Phipps embarked on the most challenging production of her career last year. Next week, it takes the stage.

Les Miserables will be Agape Performing Arts Company's third production.

Phipps, who has a doctorate in theater, founded the nonprofit theater company after her experience at Center Grove Fine Arts Academy at Center Grove Church. She staged several musicals theater productions there. Each time, Phipps said, more young people auditioned.

Thirty youth were in the academy's first production—*Godspell*. The numbers ballooned and between 140 and 150 people auditioned for the fourth show. Phipps said it was clear to her that there was enough demand for another theater company, so she thought about starting one.

After Father Mike Keucher, of Our Lady of the Greenwood Church, saw Phipps' production of *Mulan*, the two decided to partner. Agape found a home.

Phipps said Keucher suggested the company do *Les Miserables*. Work on the production began in mid-November.

More than 90 people from 10 counties auditioned in January.

Phipps wanted to keep the show's cast between 45 and 50 people. That did not happen.

"There was so much talent, it was very hard turning that many gifted people away, so we took a cast of 70," she said. There are also 15 crew members and 20 volunteers.

Performers range in age from 7 to 19 years old.

Phipps started performing on stage when she took a small part in her high school's production of *Night of January 16th*.

She grew up around theater in the Chicago area. Her mom was a

singer and, after retiring as an elementary school music teacher, became an actress.

Phipps, now a mother of four, shifted her focus in theater to young people about 8 to 10 years ago when her children became old enough to participate.

"I'd enjoyed theater so much as a young person, I wanted to make sure that my children had the opportunity, should they show interest in theater," she said.

Olivia Ortmann, 16, will play Eonine in *Les Miserables*. This will be her third production with Phipps.

"She cares so much about every person in the show that she really has that one-on-one connection and helps everybody grow," Ortmann said.

Ortmann said she cannot draw from personal experience for the role, so learning how to perform it has been a challenge. The vocal parts are also difficult, she said, so working with musical director David Turner has helped her develop as a singer.

"(Eponine's) life has been anything short of easy," Ortmann said. "It's crazy to have to jump into a character's shoes like that. It's really fun, though."

Alex Bast, 18, plays Enjolras. Though he has only been involved in theater for a short time, performing has helped Bast grow in confidence.

"It does teach me how to be more forward and outgoing," he said.

Phipps said that is at the heart of why she works with young people.

"So often, when young people find their niche in the theater, I've just seen so many relationships bloom," she said. "Young people who didn't have confidence before becoming more confident. It's more work to direct young people than to direct college students, but it is definitely worth it."

Les Miserables runs April 6 – 9 at the Knights of Columbus' McGowan Hall, 1305 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.



GETTING TO KNOW DR. KATHY PHIPPS



HOBBIES:

In addition to sewing, I like to knit and my family likes to camp. We've traveled to 48 states in camping. We go to the national parks... My husband and I—it will be our 25th anniversary in June and we're going to Alaska.

OTHER INTERESTS:

"I'm active at church. I love to sing and being the mother of four children and the wife of my husband. That keeps me busy."

FAVORITE BOOK:

The Brothers Karamazov
by Fyodor Dostoevsky

FAVORITE MOVIE:

Field of Dreams

FAVORITE TV SHOW:

Timeless and *Designated Survivor*



The Crispus Attucks boys basketball team won the Class 3A state championship on March 25 under head coach Christopher Hawkins. Submitted photo

Show of support

Southport grad Christopher Hawkins leads Crispus Attucks to victory at state basketball championship

By Nicole Davis

When Southport alumnus Christopher Hawkins took the job as varsity boys head basketball coach with Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet School on the Eastside of Indianapolis, he had dreams of someday making it to the state championships.

The last time the school won state was 1959. “When I got the job, I felt if we could get to that high mountain top, we would need players like Oscar Robertson,” Hawkins said. Robertson was a Crispus Attucks point guard who helped the school earn state championships in 1955 and again, undefeated, in ‘56. “He’s a legend, a Hall of Famer. He’s the person that understood where people needed to be, made people better, had great leadership skills.”

Hawkins’ players proved that they had those skills. On March 25, they took home the Class 3A state championship with a 73-71 score against Twin Lakes High School in Monticello, Ind. The legendary Robertson not only came in before the game to give a pep talk, but afterwards to congratulate the champions.

“It was a real cool moment,” Hawkins said. “It’s crazy. I didn’t think we would do it. I thought next year would be the year. We won 15 straight games. We lost the city finals to Manual. After we lost the last-second shot that game, the kids understood what we needed to do. We came together as a unit, as a family. We actually won the state championship. It was surreal.”

Growing up in Indianapolis, Hawkins attended Clinton Young Elementary and then Southport Middle School. His freshman year, under coach Bill Springer, he decided to concentrate on basketball only. The team won the sectionals in 2000. It lost the sectional match in 2001.



Christopher Hawkins. Submitted photos

Hawkins graduated from Southport in 2001. He earned a degree from Indiana University. He began coaching with Southport in 2004 and continued through 2012.

He coached at Shortridge Magnet High School from 2012 to 2014, then moved to Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School from 2014 to 2016. This was his first year as head basketball coach at Crispus Attucks.

“I knew the kids,” he said. “I coached against them a couple of times when I was at Brebeuf. I felt the system I could bring in would mesh well with their talents. I felt it was the place I could make a difference.”

That system included an increased concentration on defense and communication. There were also lessons he brought back from his time playing and coaching at Southport.

“Being a student athlete was the biggest thing the coaches stressed when I was there,” he said. “I stressed it at Attucks. If you take care of things off the court and in the classroom, it makes it easier to play.”

If he ever needs guidance, he said he knows the door is always open at Southport. As a show of support, not only did his former coach Springer attend the semi-state and state championship games, so did many other people from his Southport past.

“I just really want to say I appreciate the support from the Southport community,” he said. “If I wasn’t able to respond to a message, I got it. I appreciate the support throughout the whole tournament. I’m a cardinal, through and through.”

With the state championship win under his belt, Hawkins said he’s looking to help his students finish out the year, then will prepare to defend the title in 2018.

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FROM THE EDITOR



Looking forward to fresh food

"Growing your own food is like printing your own money!"

- RON FINLEY

There's also the fresh air, the hard work and a sense of accomplishment at the end of the day that goes along with gardening which has been proven to be a great stress reliever and good for one's health. The growing season is fast approaching, and we're pleased to see opportunities arising to not only educate Southside residents about gardening, but even give the space to do it.

For those who want to venture into gardening but are short on ground space, the Garfield Park Conservatory has announced its Family Garden Club. Registration begins April 1, indy.gov/parks, for this "gardening experience for the whole family." Families who want to grow their own vegetable garden can join every other Tuesday, May 9 to Aug. 29, 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. at the Conservatory. The fee is \$75 for a 4X4 space.

For those who'd rather skip the work and go straight to the fresh food, we'll be sure to announce news of the farmers markets as the season approaches. Garfield Park Farmers Market is already gearing up for its second year with a fundraiser on April 23, 6 - 8 p.m. at 608 Massachusetts Ave., Indianapolis. Stella and Neal Brown will host the event to showcase their newly-opened restaurant and the some of the market vendors. Visit garfieldparkfarmersmarket.com for more information.

The Southside Times welcomes letters to the editor in good taste.

All submissions are subject to editing. Please send to news@ss-times.com. All letters must be signed. Please include a daytime phone number for verification purposes only.



STARS & STRIKES ON THE SOUTHSIDE

The Southside Times is all about people and our community. What do you like in your neighborhood? What don't you like? Who has done something nice, no matter how small and should be recog-

nized? Email your "Stars and Strikes" to news@ss-times.com. Julie Lockwood of Beech Grove and Martin Lyles of Perry Township contributed to this week's Stars and Strikes.

★ **Stars:** To the American Red Cross and other volunteers for doing a smoke detector blitz Saturday, March 25. Smoke detectors were provided for anyone that needed them.

★ **Stars:** To Perry Township Schools for starting Personal Finance Classes at Southport and Perry Meridian High schools in January this year. Every one could benefit from these classes!

★ **Stars:** To the University of Indianapolis which received one of the largest single gifts in University history yesterday. The R.B. Annis Educational Foundation gifted \$5 million to the Uni-

versity's R.B. Annis School of Engineering, in the Shaheen College of Arts and Sciences, providing an interdisciplinary approach to filling today's workforce development needs. Learn more: bit.ly/uindyengineering.

★ **Stars:** To everyone driving safely in construction zones this spring season. Road blocks are everywhere we go. Be vigilant!

★ **Stars:** To Indian Creek Christian Church volunteers who helped with the workday on the Garfield Park baseball field with Garfield RBI on March 22.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If more of us valued food and cheer and song above hoarded gold, it would be a merrier world."

~ J.R.R. Tolkien

HUMOR



TOP TEN SIGNS YOU MIGHT BE HAVING A HEART ATTACK

By Torry Stiles

(Dear readers - April 10 will mark the fourth anniversary of my first heart attack and subsequent bypass operation. A friend of mine recently had his own flirtation with death. This week's list is provided as a public service to help others out there.)

10. **CHEST PAIN OR BURNING SENSATION IN THE CHEST.** Kind of like the time in school when you went jogging right after Taco Tuesday dinner.
9. **TIGHTNESS OR HEAVINESS IN THE CHEST.** Remember that one extra-large cousin who used to beat you up every Thanksgiving? Yeah. Imagine him sitting on your chest again.
8. **PAIN IN THE ARM, NECK AND/OR JAW.** Just like that time when your date fell asleep on you on the couch and you spent four hours cramping because you thought that this was what romance was all about.
7. **SWEATING.** Not a good kind of sweat but more of a have-to-go-to-the-potty-but-there's-another-hour-left-in-this-exam kind of sweat.
6. **ANXIETY.** You aren't sure what's going to happen but you know it could only be bad. Rather like the feeling when you drive Dad's Buick into the neighbor's swimming pool.
5. **LIGHT-HEADEDNESS.** Again, not the good kind. More of a I-think-I-won-this-breath-holding-contest and less of a this-is-some-good-weed kind of feeling.
4. **SHORTNESS OF BREATH.** Remember that lardo cousin on your chest? Yeah, that again.
3. **CONFUSION.** "Is this a heart attack? Am I going to die? Did I delete my web browser?"
2. **NAUSEA OR VOMITING.** Imagine that cousin on your chest right after Taco Tuesday's jog.
1. Every friend or family member you know will contact you to give you their account of their heart attack, the name of the doctor who saved them and a description of how much worse their heart attack was than yours.

BELIEVE IT!

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

Oklahoma will not tolerate anyone taking a bite out of another's hamburger.

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APRIL IS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

Promote awareness, celebrate acceptance

Autism, a mental condition that is identified by difficulty in communicating, forming relationships with others and with language, is said to be present in nearly two percent of the U.S. population.

While the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention state that one in 68 children are on the autism spectrum, a government survey released in 2015 suggested the number is actually one in 45 children from ages 3 to 17 who have been diagnosed.

April is Autism Awareness Month, focusing on the people, programs and services that make a difference to those affected by autism. In this edition of *The Southside Times*, take a look at the story of a local family and tips offered by local organizations which are there to help children with autism and their families.



Vincent has attended Cornerstone Autism Center since August 2016.

Submitted photos

MOVING PAST THE DIAGNOSIS

Fountain Square mother shares of her family's journey with autism and the importance of early intervention

By Nicole Davis

At four years old, Vincent is full of energy, loving to play outside or play chase with his classmates. That hasn't always been the case.

"Vincent didn't have any huge signs at first," said his mother, Katie White, a Fountain Square resident. "He had some complications at his 18 month shots. He got fevers like every three weeks. Shortly after that everything went downhill. His eye contact disappeared. He was in his own world. He wanted to play more by himself. He didn't really notice when you walked into a room."

Katie didn't know anybody with autism, but having been a nursing student, she knew the signs. At age 2, Vincent began vocal stimming, spinning and hand flapping when he got excit-

ed: common signs of kids with autism.

"He wasn't talking," Katie said. "He probably had only 10 words. I held off taking Vincent to the doctor for awhile. The numbers, the odds, it scared me. Finally we said 'what do we do to get past this?'"

While waiting on Vincent's evaluation from a behavioral psychologist, Katie and her husband, José, started Vincent in speech and occupational therapy. They received his diagnosis in 2015 and chose to send Vincent to a developmental preschool for a year so he could receive more social interaction. They transferred him to Cornerstone Autism Center, Greenwood, in August 2016.

"Vincent went from being almost nonverbal when he was 2 to and now he can tell us what he wants," Katie said. "He'll be five this year. He's still working on communication skills but as far as labeling anything, he can tell you what it is. His eye contact is huge now."

Cornerstone used a Verbal Behavior Milestones Assessment and Placement Program (VB-MAPP) system to test what skill level Vincent is at and place him in a class with students at the same level.

"Touch, sounds, the whole environment is a different aspect to them," Katie said. "He does a hair cutting program there. For Vincent, with hair cuts, we don't know how he feels. We don't know if it hurts him or he's just scared, but he had a huge sense of anxiety if he gets the idea we'll be touching his hair. He can't explain his emotions quite yet. We're working up to a haircut. They do step by step. You start small, just walking into a room. Then let's look at the chair. Then sit in the chair. Those simple things for other kids are not big deal are very stressful and hard for kids with autism."

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Past the Diagnosis continued from page 12

Katie said they owe a lot to the Applied Behavioral Analyst at Cornerstone and their parent liaison, Shiela Edwards, who has offered the family a lot of support and resources.

“The people who have helped me along the way, that’s why we are

where we are now,” Katie said. “I’ve learned so much. Autism isn’t scary. You might have to do things a little different. Things might take a little longer. But it’s not scary. You just work around it. To other parents going through the same thing, don’t wait. Early intervention (is important). If you try, something will always get better.”

WHAT IS ABA THERAPY?

Simply put, Applied Behavior Analysis is the use of techniques to influence a positive change in behavior.

Using several tools and assessments, therapists look at a child with autism, or with another diagnosis, and compare them to a typical child of the same age. The children are then taught the skills they may be lacking through repetition and positive reinforcement.

Behavior analysts began working with young children with autism and related disorders in the 1960s.

“It’s amazing to see a child’s progress,” said Cornerstone Autism Center’s Board Certified Behavior Analyst Holly Barszcz. “The success that ABA has shown across the field is tremendous. If someone hasn’t been able to see a therapy session, I encourage them to see what it’s about and the growth a child can have.”

Children with autism can learn a variety of skills, from how to interact with their peers to improving their speech.

“Some kids that are watching television can say that’s Elmo or Barney,” Barszcz said. “If they’re lacking things like eye contact or the ability to label things, we need to teach those skills. ABA uses repetition so the child learns a program in a variety of formats and can generalize it across multiple settings.”

Barszcz recommends that parents with a new diagnoses should remember to take things one day at a time.

“I know it’s incredibly overwhelming, especially as a new parent,” she said. “Getting that diagnosis of autism, you get a flood of emotions. Being able to take one day at a time, you get a better grasp of how to help that child succeed. Find someone that can provide support on their journey and how to handle the tough days. Seek us out. (Cornerstone) has a wealth of information to provide families.”

For more information, visit cornerstoneautismcenter.com.

CORNERSTONE AUTISM CENTER Gives Hope to Families

By Cornerstone Autism Center

Cornerstone Autism Center is dedicated to serving children with autism. This spring they will expand their offering in Greenwood with a new center on Madison Avenue. The new center will focus on teens and young adults, and the facility was designed with their needs in mind. In addition to the 1:1 ABA therapy the center delivers, the eventual goal is to offer vocational opportunities for this ever-increasing population. Such opportunities are critical for these kids to be integrated and successful in their communities.

“Quality services for teens and young adults with autism are in great demand and we have the desire and ability to provide them,” reports Cornerstone co-owner Debbie Ide.

The company’s mission is to maximize those who struggle, embrace those who love and fulfill those who serve. Cornerstone employs a top-notch team of Registered Behavior Technicians and Board Certified Behavior Analysts who provide clients with the tools they need to succeed.

What sets Cornerstone apart from other ABA providers? A step into one of their facilities will give you the first clue that they are unlike any other. Their centers are warm and inviting, and best of all fun! The clinical staff are highly trained and use iPads to collect data, which results in dynamic, fast-moving programs. The company has a department of specialists to help families navigate the complexities of insurance and they integrate speech therapy with on-staff speech-language pathologists.

To support families, Cornerstone has an Intake Coordinator to assist throughout the enrollment process. Parents can also seek guidance from the Parent Liaison who shares resources, organizes events and plans parent trainings.

“When we first found Cornerstone, we were lost and so confused about what to do for our son,” a parent explained. “Within just a few short weeks, we felt so much hope. When our son first started he did not speak. Just a few years later, he was able to give a graduation speech. I don’t know where we would be now without Cornerstone.”

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COUNSELING

Crucial Self-Care for Caregivers

By Melissa Russell-Plunkett, MS, NCC
(and Autism Mom x 2)


Several years ago, researchers provided findings which showed that mothers of children with autism had chronic stress levels similar to those of combat soldiers. While it was validating to have this clinical evidence, this was hardly a shocking revelation to any parent of a child with severe autism. Those of us on the front lines of the daily struggles deal with everything from sensory issues to self-harm to sleepless nights. Parenting is difficult with neurotypical children; parenting children on the spectrum is arduous. Depending upon their level of functioning, a child on the spectrum could be stuck in the 'terrible twos' for a decade, including the odious diaper responsibilities and general fearlessness towards danger of any kind. These lead spectrum parents to be perpetually on alert, exhausted, and vulnerable to illnesses—including mental health issues like depression and anxiety.

Maintaining a sound mental health is crucial when providing chronic care to a special

needs individual. Much like the oxygen mask on the airplane, it is imperative for caregivers to take care of themselves to be able to provide care to others who are dependent upon them. Seeking counseling is a worthwhile venture to decompress from the chronic stress that caregiving can impose upon an individual.

While the stresses impact parents most significantly; grandparents, siblings, and extended family members may also experience distress. These feelings may emanate from feeling alienated from their loved ones due to not understanding the implications that an autism diagnosis may hold or not knowing how to interact with a family member who has autism.

Communities are recognizing the need to support families who are impacted by autism and are taking measures to assist those families by providing access to mental health care services. The Johnson County Autism Support Group has partnered with Kenosis Counseling Center to provide six counseling sessions to Johnson County residents who have a family member with an Autism Spectrum Disorder diagnosis. To schedule an appointment or for more information, please contact Kenosis Counseling Center.




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AUTISM SUPPORT GROUP HOSTS DAY CAMP

This summer teens with autism can stay physically active and mentally engaged by signing up for the Johnson County Autism Support Group's day camp; registration is now open for Camp Can Do. Camp Can Do blends traditional camp activities with life skills in a fun learning environment.

Camp Can Do offers a choice of three weeks in June for children with autism, ages 12-18 to attend a day camp designed just for them. The program allows students to build skills needed to become an independent adult such as cooking, money management and using public transportation.

The program is divided into three

1-week sessions; Session 1: week of June 12-16, Session 2: week of June 19-23 and Session 3: week of June 26-30. Camp is held at Whiteland Community High School from 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday. Registration is \$150 per session for Johnson County residents and \$175 per session for residents outside of Johnson County. Campers attending all three sessions receive a \$75 discount. In order to assure an appropriate ration of counselors to campers, register early. Registration is open on a first come, first serve basis with final payment due by May 15. For more information, visit jcasg.com/camp-can-do.



'Strong and Courageous' offers advice to families raising child with autism

A new book written to help families raise children with autism, *Strong and Courageous: Encouragement for Families Touched by Autism* (published by WestBow Press) by author and therapist Stephanie Murphy offers direction and practical advice to parents and families facing the unique challenges of parenting a child with the developmental disorder, and

teaches parents how to draw upon God's strength for support. As the grandparent of a child with autism, Murphy provides both personal and professional advice in addition to the spiritual insights and Christian values "where true strength and guidance are found." *Strong and Courageous* is available at Amazon and Barnes & Noble.

AROUND TOWN



Learning to swim at BGHS

Youth – More than 75 Beech Grove City School students are participating in learn to swim classes during the two-week Spring Break. The classes, coordinated by Mr. Vuskalns and Ms. Hunter, teach students pool safety, in addition to learning to swim. More than 15 members of the high school and middle school swim teams are volunteering their time to assist with the classes.

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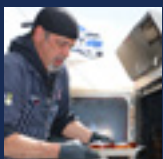
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AROUND TOWN



Beech Grove's Cleek becomes an Eagle Scout

Ceremony – Hornet Enrichment Academy student, Andrew Cleek, had his HEA "family" in attendance for his recent Eagle Scout/ Court of Honor ceremony.

Free Paper Shredding on April 22

Environment – Hanna's Wrecker Service, Rustic Root and Hanna's Re-Cycling have offered to take away used appliances, any electronics, lawn mowers, bicycles, and any metals at no cost to residents or the City. (No TV's) This free paper shredding and electronic recycling will take place April 22, 9 a.m. - noon behind City Hall.



Hilda Benson celebrates 108th birthday at Altenheim

Age – Indianapolis senior living resident, Hilda Benson, celebrated another milestone turning 108 years old on March 22. Hilda enjoyed her birthday celebration at Altenheim Senior Living and expressed thanks for the birthday wishes.

UPCOMING BEECH GROVE MEETINGS & EVENTS

APRIL 3 - 6 P.M.
Board of Sanitation Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers

APRIL 3
Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting
following the Board of Sanitation Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers

APRIL 3 - 7 P.M.
City Council Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers

APRIL 5 - 1 P.M.
Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers

APRIL 12 - 7 P.M.
Board of Parks and Recreation Meeting
Hornet Park Community Center

APRIL 13 - 7 P.M.
Redevelopment Commission Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers

APRIL 17 - 5 P.M.
Greenscape Commission Meeting
Hornet Park Community Center

APRIL 17 - 6 P.M.
Board of Sanitation Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers

APRIL 17
Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting
following the Board of Sanitation Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers

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MATTERS OF HEALTH

Tour Access Mobility at the April Open House

By Access Mobility, Inc.

Now that we've swept up the dust from the recent addition of our beautiful bathroom safety showroom, it's time to welcome our colleagues and friends to tour our company's facility.



Please join us for an open house on Thursday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 4855 S. Emerson Ave., Indianapolis.

We will offer grill food and beverages as well as tours of our showrooms and facility.

Be sure to get your raffle ticket for a chance at many great prizes including one lucky winner who

will take home a power lift recliner by Golden Technologies! (Retail value \$1200.00)

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BEECH GROVE

Ave Maria Guild Spring Rummage Sale • Gently-used items, including clothing, shoes, households, toys and more, will sell for a reasonable price. All proceeds from the sale benefit the residents and staff of St. Paul Hermitage. | When: March 31, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. | Where: 501 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: (317) 223-3687.

Safe Sitter • Designed for students in grades 6 to 8 to be safe when their watching younger siblings or babysitting, this instructor-led class costs \$25. Students should bring a sack lunch. | When: April 1, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center, Beech Grove. | Info: beechgrove.com/hornet-park.

Mindful Movement (Yoga) • A class surrounding the basic movements of yoga asana (postures) with a focus on Christ, beginning and ending in prayer and meditation. Fee: \$15 per session. | When: April 3, 10, 17, 24 and May 1, 8; 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. | Where: Benedict Inn Retreat & Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: (317) 788-7581 or benedictinn.org.

Family Storytime @ Beech • Families are invited to listen to stories. | When: April 4 and 18, 6 p.m. | Where: Beech Grove Branch library, 1102 Main St., Beech Grove. | Info: (317) 275-4560.

Preschool Storytime & Craft • Preschoolers and an adult can join children's librarians for stories and activities. | When: April 6, 13, 20 and 27, 11 a.m. | Where: Beech Grove Branch library, 1102 Main St., Beech Grove. | Info: (317) 275-4560.

CENTER GROVE

Project Prom • Going to the Prom but don't have formal wear? Stop by to browse the selection of Prom dresses, tuxedos, shoes and accessories. | When: April 7, 2-5 p.m., April 8, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m., April 9, 1 - 4 p.m. | Where: White River Branch, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: (317) 885-1330, pageafterpage.org.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

Passion Play • As part of the 500th anniversary of Reformation, Central Indiana Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations will perform a passion play titled "Behold Your Savior." | When: March 31, April 1, April 7, April 8 at 7 p.m. | Where: Lutheran High School of Indianapolis, 555 S. Arlington Ave. | Info: passionplayindy.com, (317) 787-4464.

Toddler Storytime at Franklin Road • Toddlers 18 - 36 months and an adult are invited for stories, songs, finger plays and flannel board activi-

ties. | When: April 4, 18 and 25, 10:15 a.m. | Where: Franklin Road Branch library, 5550 S. Franklin Rd., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4380.

Baby Lapsit at Franklin Road • Babies up to 18 months and an adult are invited for stories, songs, rhymes and flannel board activities for babies. | When: April 6, 20 and 27, 10:15 a.m. | Where: Franklin Road Branch library, 5550 S. Franklin Rd., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4380.

FOUNTAIN SQUARE

Owls: Preschool Art Workshop • Preschoolers and an adult can explore sculpture, simple shapes, and drawing and painting with The Art Lab. | When: April 1, 2 p.m. | Where: Fountain Square Branch library, 1066 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4390.

Play Date Preschool Storytime • Preschoolers and an adult are invited for stories, songs, finger-plays and rhymes following by playtime. | When: April 3, 10, 17 and 24, 11 a.m. | Where: Fountain Square Branch library, 1066 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4390.

Evening Play Date Preschool Storytime • Preschoolers and an adult are invited for stories, songs, finger plays and rhymes followed by playtime. | When: April 4, 6 p.m. | Where: Fountain Square Branch library, 1066 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4390.

GARFIELD PARK

Preschool Storytime on the Magic Quilt • Preschoolers ages 3 - 5 and an adult can take a trip on the Magic Quilt for stories, songs and rhymes that promote early literacy skills. | When: April 5, 10:30 a.m. | Where: Garfield Park Branch library, 2502 Shelby St., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4490.

GREENWOOD

Adult Game Night • Instructors will be on hand to teach some games. Must be 18 and over. | When: March 31, 7 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St. | Info: greenwoodlibrary.us.

One-Artist-Show: Chuck Horsman • Chuck Horsman, a Roncalli High School and University of Indianapolis graduate, works as a graphic designer for his company, Chuck Horsman Design. His loose style for painting portraits starts by with a sketch and color blocks. Next he brushes in more color and detail. | When: Exhibit April 1 - 27, Wednesday - Saturdays 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Open house April 14, 6

AN OPTION

Papa Ray's Pizza and Wings

THE SCOOP:

The Fountain Square community lost it's Pizza King but gained an exciting new Illinois-based pizzeria in Papa Ray's Pizza and Wings. Papa Ray's, "Home of the Monster Slice," opened March 22. Its menu offers 13 specialty pizzas and a build your own option with 30 toppings to choose from. Also on the menu are six Calzone Wrap options, Garden Fresh Salads, Award Winning Wings with six flavor options and two dipping sauces, and a unique Build Your Own Mac N Cheese option with a choice of 30 toppings. Starters include Bosco Breadsticks, Cheesy Garlic Bread, Parmesan Garlic Bread, Ray's Fries, Ray's Cheesy Fries, Bacon Cheese Fries, and Chicken Fingers. Desserts include cannoli, Monster Chocolate Cake, Monster Chocolate Brownie Cheese Cake, Eli's Tiramisu, and Eli's Cheesecake. For a limited time, Papa Ray's has a Grand Opening special with 30 percent off your entire order.



TYPE OF FOOD:

Pizza, wings, calzone wraps, macaroni and cheese.

RECOMMENDATION:

Build Your Own Mac n Cheese with a choice of 30 different toppings.

HOURS:

11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

LOCATION:

1267 Shelby St., Indianapolis, IN 46203

PHONE:

(317) 820-3173

BEHIND BARS

Plantation Pineapple Daiquiri



Bartender:
Niki Royal

Location:
Revolución, 1132 Prospect St., Indianapolis.

Ingredients and directions:

- 2 oz. Plantation Rum, 1 oz. lime juice, 1 oz. simple syrup.
- Shake well with ice, strain, serve with lime and pineapple garnish. *Enjoy.*



Compiled by
Brian Ruckle

WHERE I DINE

Ed Wickham, Greenwood resident and owner of Indy Pro Construction Co., 5340 Madison Ave. Ste. A, Indianapolis



Where do you like to dine?
Whit's Inn

What do you like to eat there?

Philly Cheese Steak! I am originally from the East coast and this is the closest I've found.

What do you like about this place?

It's owned and operated by local residents. Great music and nightly food and drink specials.

Whit's Inn is located at 1020 US 31 S., Whiteland, IN 46184. The phone number is (317) 535-9511.

What's going on Southside?

Send your news & events to:
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Alec Baldwin and Miles Christopher Bakshi in *The Boss Baby*.Photo by DreamWorks Animati - © DreamWorks *The Boss Baby* © 2016 DreamWorks Animation LLC. All Rights Reserved.

Boss Baby

Had potential but lack of story stunts growth

MOVIE REVIEW

By Adam Staten

For many, and often due to a variety of reasons, work can be an extremely frustrating experience. If not for fulfilling our need of regular, steady income, giving up the stress, long hours and grating co-workers normally associated with most positions would be a relatively easy task, not requiring a second thought. Almost as an added bonus, all jobs, no matter how mundane or mindless, come with an overseer, a superior, a boss. No matter how accommodating, caring or terrible the person in charge at a particular place of employment, chances are pretty good it's not an infant. In one new film, that's exactly the case.

Boss Baby is the story of seven-year-old Tim and his happy family. Being an only child, most family time consists of rituals with Tim as the center of attention. However, Tim's world is rocked when his parents come home with a baby boy. His parents are smitten with their newest bundle of joy; Tim feels very different on the matter. Looking to rid his house of the creature now consuming every second of the parents' attention, Tim gets to work. However, while conducting surveillance on his newfound sworn enemy, Tim makes a startling discovery: the infant can talk.

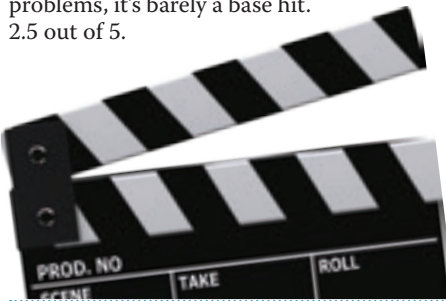
As it turns out, the place where all babies come from, BabyCorp., has sent Tim's baby brother on an extremely important and time-sensitive mission. The baby (voiced by Alec Baldwin) is hoping to figure out why puppies are getting more attention than infants and then find a way to reverse that disturbing, new trend. In a race against the clock and cute, adorable puppies, the two foes make a startling discovery and just may grow to love another in the process.

While *Boss Baby* does have an interesting premise, the story is fairly weak, leaving

much to be desired as the end credits start rolling. The film seems to understand its lack of story as it spends an excessive amount of time developing these characters and showcasing their mildly amusing antics. It's not until $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way through the film that the story progresses in any real, discernible way. Even when the film reaches its conclusion and the characters achieve their goal, the ending feels rushed and tacked on. Attempting to produce laughs through the use of tired jokes and gags seems to be the film's first priority, while telling a story is an obvious distant second.

If there is any bright spot in the film, it's in seeing and hearing Alec Baldwin's voice coming from a well-dressed infant. The absolute absurdity of hearing an animated infant spouting the vocabulary of a college-educated adult is admittedly hilarious. However, the film relies too heavily on this aspect to help mask its absence of story and original material and suffers greatly because of it.

Boss Baby is a film, if executed correctly, could've been a home run. However, due to its deficiency in story and other similar problems, it's barely a base hit. 2.5 out of 5.



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- 8 p.m. | Where: Southside Art League, 299 E. Broadway St., Greenwood. | Info: SALL, (317) 882-5562.

3rd Annual Purse Bingo • The Social of Greenwood, sponsored by Franciscan Health, hosts this event with 20 games, 20 designer purses, food and refreshments available for purchase. Tickets are \$25. | When: April 6, 6:30 p.m. | Where: The Social of Greenwood, 550 Polk St., Greenwood. | Info: (317) 882-4810.

Greater Indianapolis NEDA Walk • The National Eating Disorder Association is hosting a walk in Greenwood to raise awareness and funding for eating disorders. This is the second year for the event. | When: April 8, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. | Where: Freedom Park, 850 Stop 18 Rd., Greenwood. | Info: nedawalk.org/indianapolis2017.

INDIANAPOLIS

Charity Rummage Sale • Proceeds will benefit the Emmaus School and Food Pantry serving the Fountain Square area for over 100 years. | When: March 30, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Where: Emmaus Lutheran Church, 1224 Laurel St. (use rear entrance) | Info: (317)354-6043.

Nobody Needs to Know • Join this 40-minute, one-act play about mental health and how stigma affects our everyday life. This readers theatre is set in a support group for people who deal with mental health issues. Free admission. | When: April 1, 1 p.m. | Where: Irvington United Methodist Church, 30 N. Audubon Rd., Indianapolis | Info: nobodyneedstoknow.org.

Spay-ghetti and Meatballs for Mutts • Join for an afternoon with food, live music, silent auction, raffles, adoptable dogs and craft beer to benefit Tails and Trails. | When: April 2, 1:30 - 5 p.m. Serving will begin 2:30 p.m. | Where: Indiana City Brewing Co., 24 Shelby St., Indianapolis. | Info: goo.gl/t3wQKs.

Les Misérables • Agape Performing Arts Company, a youth theatre ministry of Our Lady of the Greenwood, presents this production which includes a cast of 69 students ages 9-18 culled from a 10-county area. | When: April 6 to 9, 7:30 p.m. with additional performance 3:30 p.m. Saturday. | Where: McGowan Hall, 1305 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis. | Cost: \$5 children, \$10 adults. | Info: thelittleboxoffice.com/agape.

Reunion for Former Students of IPS No. 18 • A reunion for students who attended Abraham Lincoln IPS No. 18 between 1955 and 1965 will be held. Coffee and donuts will be served. | When: April 8, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tour of the school, 1:30 p.m. | Garfield Park Community Church, 743 E. Pleasant Run Pkwy. S. Dr., Indianapolis. | Info: Pat (Freeman) Walker, (317) 535-5150.

CCSFEST • WIBC will broadcast live as professional BBQ teams compete in the Kansas City BBQ

Competition. The day's events include live music, bounce house area, kidz zone, fast-pitch competition, 70 classic & modern cars in the Car Show, food trucks, and more! | When: April 8, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. | Where: Calvary Christian School, 3639 S. Keystone Ave., Indianapolis. | Info: ccsfest.com.

PERRY TOWNSHIP

Mini Basketball Clinics • Perry Meridian Lady Falcon Basketball will host 14 Mini Basketball Clinics during the months of April and May. The cost per session is \$2.00 per player. | When: April and May. Grades 3-5 meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and Grades 6-8 meet on Thursdays from 7-8:15 p.m. | Where: Perry Middle School. | Info: Coach Armstrong, Jarmstrong@perryschool.org or (317) 413-2576; Coach Ely, hely5@comcast.net or (317) 374-6076.

Spring Lawn Care Classes • Dick Huber, master gardener, will discuss the best mowing techniques, proper timing for pre-emergent crabgrass herbicide, aeration and more. | When: April 6, 3 p.m. | Where: Community Hospital South, 1402 E. County Line Rd., Indianapolis. | Info: Register, 1-800-777-7775.

SOUTHPORT

Senior Luau • Senior Luau is presented by Perry Senior Services. There will be door prizes and valuable resources. Bring the Family! | When: April 1, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. | Where: 6901 Derbyshire Rd. | Info: (317) 783-9231.

Family Game Day at Southport • Families and children of all ages can drop in any time to make new friends while playing board games or solving puzzles. | When: April 1, 12 - 4 p.m. | Where: Southport Branch library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Rd. | Info: (317) 275-4510.

Tot Art at Southport! • Babies and toddlers up to age 3 and adult are invited for a process art program. | When: April 5 and 6, 10:30 a.m. | Where: Southport Branch library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Rd. | Info: (317) 275-4510.

English Conversation Circle • Adults can practice and improve their English speaking skills in a safe and welcoming place. | When: April 5, 12, 19 and 26, 6:30 p.m. | Where: Southport Branch library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Rd. | Info: (317) 275-4510.

The Great Surprise • This free event for families of children ages 3 - 6th grade includes dinner. Kids will enjoy game and activity stations as they discover the Great Surprise. | When: April 7, 6 - 7:30 p.m. | Where: Southport Heights Christian Church, 7154 McFarland Rd., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 783-7714, southporthights.org.

Easter Egg Hunt • Join for an Easter egg hunt and meet the Easter bunny, hosted free of charge by the Southport Parks Department. | When: April 8, 11 a.m. | Where: Southport Community Center, 6901 Derbyshire Rd. | Info: cityofsouthport.org.

ENJOY YOUR WEEK! Visit ss-times.com for weekly news and events.

Find the items in the puzzle going up, down, sideways or diagonally and list them. Each letter is used no more than once.

Q
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4 Tax Words

4 May Holidays

5 Indy Townships

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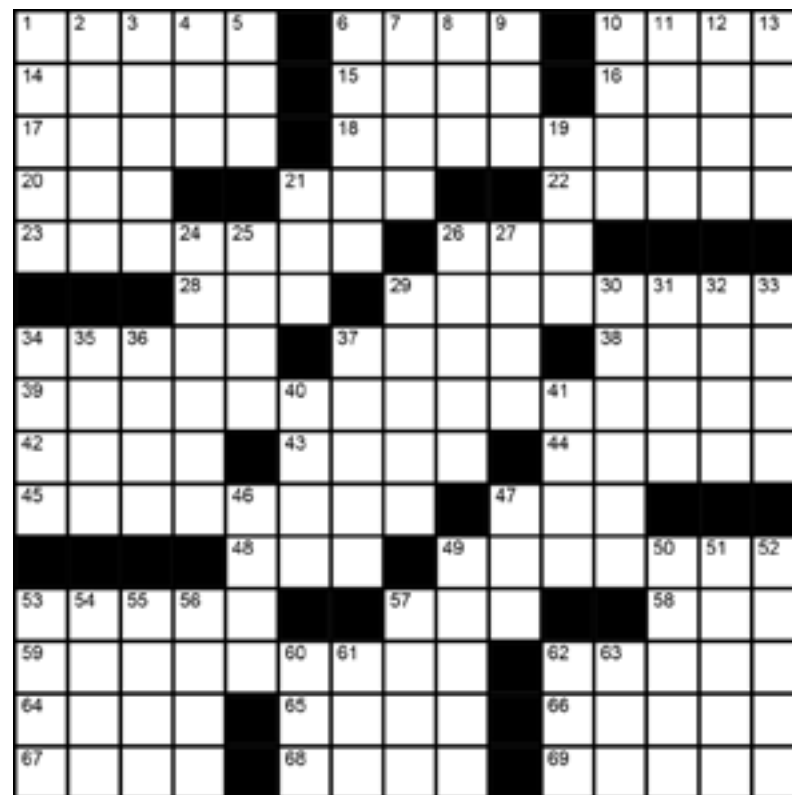
1 Fake Indiana Parks & Recreation Town

ACROSS

1. Covert agents
6. Hobbling, like an injured Boilermaker
10. Contract
14. Marion County Court call
15. "Excuse me"
16. Indiana NBA foe
17. Zionsville artist Nancy and family
18. Eli Lilly's birthplace
20. Local place to see a Van Gogh, briefly
21. Part of www
22. Fine fur
23. Lilly's rank in the Indiana Cavalry
26. Bean counter, for short
28. Coffee holder at Le Peep
29. Broadway program
34. Irsay or Simon, e.g.
37. Distinctive flair
38. Eiteljorg Museum tribe
39. Eli Lilly and Co. industry
42. Forum wear
43. Indiana State Fair ovine calls
44. Tilts to one side
45. Least respectful
47. Disney frame
48. Ultimate degree in a UIndy math class
49. Lilly's occupation
53. Loony
57. Take to Johnson County Court
58. "This instant!"
59. Lilly's final resting place
62. Words on the spine
64. Oscar winner Paquin
65. Do work at The Southside Times
66. Did a lap at the Indy 500
67. Like some IU profs.
68. Cleans up a spill at MCL
69. Put in stitches at Sunny's Alterations

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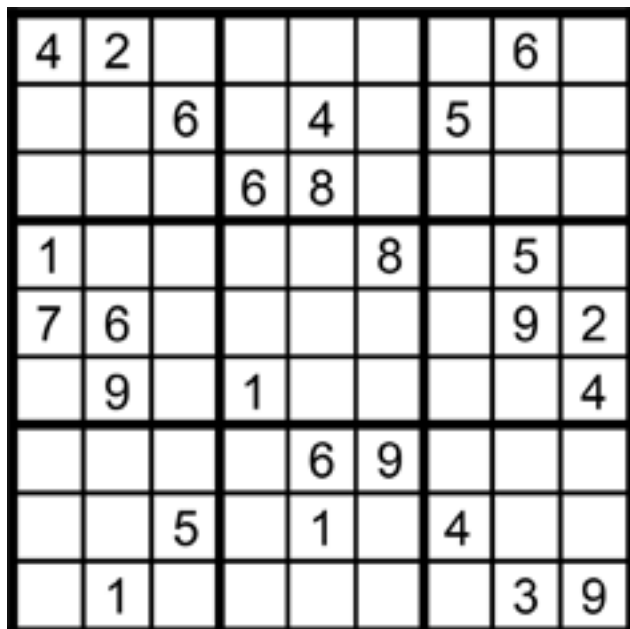
1. Drive-in burger joint
2. WRTV teaser
3. Pinnacle
4. Ichiban Sushi Bar fish
5. Beech Grove HS yearbook sect.



6. Tag
7. Moby Dick captain
8. Ex-Pacer Daniels
9. CPR expert
10. Mountain lion spotted in rural Indiana
11. One small step
12. Former Marion County Prosecutor Brizzi
13. Southport Christian Church prayer pronoun
19. "By Jove!"
21. Soaked
24. Basile Center musical works
25. Average guy
26. Santa ____
27. Huff and puff on the Monon Trail
29. Tuchman Cleaners fold
30. "Don't panic"
31. Tehran's land
32. Cheery tune
33. More or ____
34. Chooses

35. "Hold your horses!"
36. Hoosier Park's unlikely winners
37. PayPal money, e.g.
40. Assist, in a way
41. Slurpee alternative
46. ____ a good thing
47. "Evita" role
49. Religious sects
50. Following behind
51. Crack a case for the Greenwood Police
52. Like some wool jackets
53. March Madness org.
54. Ashes holders at Legacy Cremation
55. Bear Run Coal Mine measures
56. IMPD team
57. Lingerie item
60. Lee's Tailoring bottom line
61. Altar vow
62. Luck stats.
63. Anger

Answers See Page 21



Puzzle time



Lifting the Veil pancakes and syrup

NUTRITION

By Wendell Fowler

A stack o' pancakes feloniously assaulted by "syrup" holds lofty position in the pantheon of American breakfasts. Are today's pancakes and syrup nourishing? Not exactly and that's lamentable for your temple's overall wellbeing.

We are simply not receiving sufficient vitamins and minerals from modern processed food today to achieve our dreams. Actually, we're receiving accumulative daily doses of food chemicals and additives our holy temple doesn't understand and treats as alien invaders. Hello disease!

Genetically-altered American white flour is heavily processed- stripped of the most nutritional aspects of the germ and the fibrous bran and it's making folks sick, fat and unfulfilled. The white stuff increases risk of some cancers, fatty liver disease, cancer, Alzheimer's disease, arthritis, high blood pressure, heart attack, stroke, weight gain, obesity, diabetes, high cholesterol, fatigue, depression, anxiety, hypoglycemia, and overwhelms the immune system. Over-consuming AP white flour leads to blood sugar blues, inflammation, slows down metabolism

acid/alkaline imbalance, and GI disorders. Do you grasp what I'm saying?

When you shop, read the label on Bisquick Original Pancake & Baking Mix and tell me what you recognize?: Partially Hydrogenated soybean and/or cottonseed oil (heart disease), leavening (baking soda, sodium aluminum phosphate (mental decline), monocalcium phosphate), dextrose (sugar), salt.

Is your pancake syrup camouflaged as a motherly lady? Read the label. The plastic jug lady is mostly imitation flavored HFCS. Many years ago, research revealed over-consuming HFCS increases risk of type 2 diabetes and can permanently scar your liver when combined with a sedentary lifestyle. Too many foods and beverages aimed at children are loaded with HFCS. About 50 percent of brands tested positive for mercury. Mercury exposure can result in irreversible brain and nervous system damage – especially in young, growing bodies. No love here.

There are strong links between the over- consumption of HFCS and elevated triglyceride and LDL (bad cholesterol) levels. Together they can cause arterial plaque build-up leading to hypertension, heart disease, and even stroke. Your body is a Temple, but only if you treat it as one. Get thee back into thy kitchen.

"Flour-Free" Pancakes

- 1 large, ripe banana
- 4 eggs
- 2 **tbsp.** ground flax or chia seed
- ½ **cup** almond meal

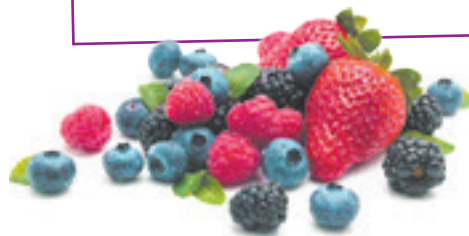
- ¼ **tsp.** pure vanilla extract
- ½ **tsp.** cinnamon
- 2 **tbsp.** coconut oil
- Fresh berries

RECIPE

- Blender all together
- Warm the skillet first before you pour batter in
- Pour a few tablespoons of batter onto a greased, low-

heat skillet. When it bubbles, gently flip them over.

- Spread with almond butter, top with REAL local maple syrup or honey, and fresh or frozen berries.



Chef Wendell is a lecturer and food journalist. Contact him at chefwendellfowler@gmail.com.

AROUND TOWN



Rep. Frizzell welcomes student pages to the Statehouse

Legislature – State Rep. Dave Frizzell (R-Indianapolis) recently welcomed student pages to the Statehouse. As a House page, these participants toured government offices, helped staff with daily duties and joined Frizzell on the House floor during the legislative session: Elise Abbott and Olivia Buttz, attends Perry Meridian High School; Brooklynn Ahnafield, attends Perry Meridian Middle School; Paulo Glewacki, Oleksandra Kovalska and Lilit Nalbandyan, attend Perry Meridian High School; Elisabeth Haley, from Southport, attends Southport Middle School; Garrett Simmons and Lauren Franzetti, Simmons is from Greenwood and Franzetti is from Indianapolis, they attend Center Grove High School and Perry Meridian Middle School, respectively; and Christina Zingler attends Perry Meridian High School. Frizzell said students aged 13 to 18 should consider participating next session. For more information, visit indianahousepublicans.com/page-program.

It's Time to Call-a-Pacer!

Reading – Children and families are invited to hear their favorite Dr. Seuss stories read by members of the Indiana Pacers from April through June on The Indianapolis Public Library's 24-hour Call-a-Story telephone line. By dialing (317) 275-4444 or toll-free 877-275-9007, listeners will hear recorded stories from Pacers players who demonstrate their love of reading as a way to encourage young ones to "read like a pro."

THE 2017 "CALL-A-PACER" SCHEDULE INCLUDES:

- **WEEK OF APRIL 3** – Myles Turner reads "Mr. Cow Can Moo! Can You?"
- **APRIL 10** – Jeff Teague reads "In a People House"
- **APRIL 17** – Rodney Stuckey reads "Oh, the Places You'll Go!"
- **APRIL 24** – Lavoy Allen reads "Ten Apples Up on Top!"
- **MAY 1** – Paul George reads "I Am Not Going to Get Up Today!"
- **MAY 8** – Glenn Robinson II reads "What Pet Should I Get?"
- **MAY 15** – C.J. Miles reads "Fox is Socks"
- **MAY 22** – Thad Young reads "Hop on Pop!"
- **MAY 30** – Aaron Brooks reads "Dr. Seuss's ABC"
- **JUNE 5** – Mark Boyle reads "Oh Say Can You Say?"
- **JUNE 12** – George Niang reads "Marvin K. Mooney Will You Please Go Now!"
- **JUNE 19** – Nate McMillan reads "I Wish I Had Duck Feet"

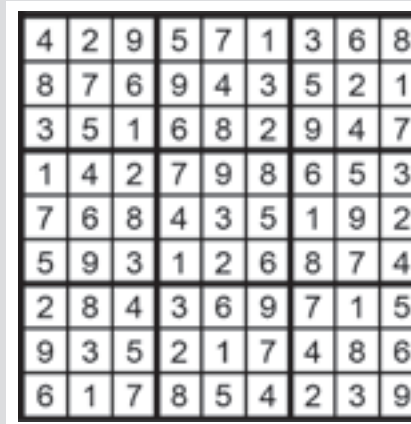
Puzzles & Answers – SEE PAGE 20

Answers to HOOSIER HODGEPODGE:

Words: DEDUCTION, DEPENDENT, EXEMPTION, FILE, INCOME, REFUND;
Townships: CENTER, PERRY, PIKE, WARREN, WAYNE;
Holidays: CINCO DE MAYO, MAY DAY, MEMORIAL DAY, MOTHER'S DAY;
Stooges: CURLY, LARRY, MOE; **Hospitals:** RILEY, METHODIST;
Town: PAWNEE

Q&A SEE PAGE 6

1. C
2. A
3. D
4. D
5. B



OBITUARIES

David Stanley Cummins

David Stanley Cummins, 89, of Indianapolis, died March 18, 2017. He was born March 6, 1928 in Lafayette to the late Wilbur and Dorothy Cummins. He is survived by his sons, Stanley Allen Cummins and David Mark Cummins; grandchildren, Kyle David Cummins, Madeline Ann Cummins, and Meleri Kay Cummins; and a brother, Wilbur Donald Cummins. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marilyn Annette Cummins. The family will conduct a private service and David will be laid to rest in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens. Arrangements were entrusted to Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care.

Charlotte H. Newman-Davenport

Charlotte H. Newman-Davenport, 93, of Greenwood, died on March 26, 2017. Born Aug. 25, 1923 in Indianapolis to the late Ernest G. and Helen E. Meyer, she was a quilter and enjoyed the Southwest. Survivors include children, Sue Likens (Jerry), Sandra King, Shirley Newman (Larry), George Scott Newman (Caron); eight grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; sisters, Elizabeth Gunn, and Alberta Fine. She was preceded in death by her husband George Newman, one grandson and brother, Ernest Meyer. Graveside service was March 29 at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens. Arrangements are entrusted to G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch.

Betty J. Davis

Betty J. Davis died on March 22, 2017. She was born Nov. 7, 1934, the youngest of 16 children to William and Carrie (Fisher) Bowman in Indianapolis. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Charles "Sam" Davis; four sons, Steve (Cindy), Chris (Linda), Andy (Heather) and Matt; nephew, Dale Wampler (Robin); and nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Betty graduated from Ben Davis High School and was an executive secretary for the Indianapolis Police Department and the Indianapolis Housing Authority. Funeral services were March 29 at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Rd. 135, Greenwood. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, Greenwood.

**Joan Marie Gleason**

Joan Marie Gleason, 79, Greenwood, died on March 25, 2017. Survivors include her children, Lori Hayes (Stuart), Linda (Jon) Rogers and Joyce Bartnikowski; six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by son Thomas Bartnikowski and one great granddaughter. Services will be private. G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Michael C. Gregory

Michael C. Gregory, 57, of Indianapolis, died March 25, 2017. He was a longtime resident of Brownsburg. He was born Nov. 22, 1959 in

Lebanon, Ind. He is survived by his wife, Cynthia (Colee) Gregory; children, Joshua (Sarah) Gregory, Heather (Steve) Werth, and Brandon Gregory; grandchildren, Zoey, Dylan, Zachary, Olivia, Jade, Lucas, Noah, Ava, and Baby Boy Gregory; mother, Hester Gregory; three brothers; and two sisters. He was preceded in death by his father, Sam Kash Gregory. Michael was a long-time employee and friend of Kurt Miller at KAM Construction. Michael enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. A celebration of Michael's life will take place at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care.

Garry M. Harris

Garry M. Harris, 62, of Greenwood, died on March 24, 2017. He was born on June 19, 1954 in Flint, Mich. to Thelma Harris and the late Earl "Vern" Harris. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Eastern Michigan University and was a member of the Indianapolis Symphonic Choir, Select Jazz Ensemble, Arts Chorale and served on the board of directors for the Indianapolis Arts Choral for several years each. Garry had a lifelong love for voice and music. He started singing at a young age in programs, weddings and funerals and loved teaching the art of music to others. He also had a passion for playing golf, camping, hiking, fishing and boating with his friends and family. He was a Band Dad for the Greenwood Marching Woodman in support of his children during high school. Garry was an Operations Manager and Human Resources Manager for L.S. Ayers for many years then served as such for Brehob Nursery, Inc where he retired. Survivors include his wife of 19 years Pamela Harris; children, Alishia (AJ) Vanus and Michael D. Leavell; grandchildren, Benton, Briella and Logan; siblings, Terry (Nancy) Harris, Gerald Harris and Daisy (Gary) Sampson plus several nieces and nephews. Visitation and service was March 28 at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home, 1605 S. State Rd. 135 and Olive Branch Road.

Kenneth Arthur "Art" Hendrickson

Kenneth Arthur "Art" Hendrickson, 47, of Shelbyville, died on March 21, 2017. He was born on Sept. 14, 1970 in Indianapolis to Kenneth L. and Sue K. (McClusky) Hendrickson. He enjoyed working and making memories with his family. Survivors include his wife of 27 years, Janice (Fields) Hendrickson; children, Kenneth K. Hendrickson, Hannah

C. Hendrickson and Keegan A. L. Hendrickson; grandchildren, Kenzie A. Hendrickson, Kenneth C. Hendrickson and Aiden D. Hendrickson; siblings, Scott (Tammy) Hendrickson and Twilla (Robert) Warfield; aunt, Sandy Delaney; uncle, Ted McClusky and several nieces and nephews. Art is preceded in death by his father. Visitation and service was March 27 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis. Burial is at New Crown Cemetery.

Ryan Albert Long

Ryan Albert Long, 41, of Indianapolis, died on March 17, 2017. He was born on June 4, 1975 in Beech Grove to Samuel W. and Shirley Lee Long. He enjoyed fishing, watching television and spending time with friends and family. Survivors include his mother, Shirley Lee Long; five siblings, Debbie Lock, John (Celeste) Robson, Ron Robson, Lorrie Biro and Samuel W. (Amy) Long II; several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Samuel W. Long. Visitation and service was March 23 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis.

James Michael Lindsey

James Michael Lindsey, 69, died March 24, 2017, after a five-year battle with cancer. Jim is survived by his wife Judy; sons Jason (Traci) Lindsey, Seth Lindsey; daughters Rebecca (Steve) Brahaum, Katie (Trent) Childress, Brianna Liberatore; stepdaughter Jolynn (Chris) Hill; stepson Steve Liberatore; mother Patricia Fowler; and many grandchildren and extended family and friends. Jim loved traveling with his wife, Judy, spending time with friends and family, music and Virginia Tech. A celebration of life open house was March 28 at the Zionsville American Legion, post79zionsville.com.

James W. Ogden Sr.

James W. Ogden Sr., 91, of Indianapolis, died on March 27, 2017. He was born on March 8,

1926 in Connerville, Ind. to the late Claude and Rosabelle Ogden. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy during WWII and was a member of the American Legion. He retired after 42 years of service with B&O Chessie System and CSX Railroad. He enjoyed spending time with his family. Survivors include four sons, James Jr. (Margie), Michael (Stacey), Jerry (Kim), Andrew (Teresa) Ogden; daughter, Marie Southern; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; three sisters, Edith Hicks, Nancy Melling and Phyllis Baron. He was preceded in death by his wife Clorene Ogden and six siblings. Visitation is March 31, 4 - 8 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis. Funeral service is April 1, 11:30 a.m. Burial will be at Floral Park Cemetery.

James "Big Mark" Reeder

James "Big Mark" Reeder, 60, of Martinsville, died on March 18, 2017. He was born on Sept. 8, 1956 in Indianapolis to James and Lucy Reeder. On Sept. 25, 1986 he married Ragina Robinson. Mark was owner and operator of Masonry Specialist in Martinsville for over 30 years. Mark is survived by his wife Ragina Reeder; children Jonathan Queisser, Mark Reeder Jr., Dillon (Mariah Phillips) Reeder; cousin Steve (Cathy) Hornbeck; and grandchildren Ella and Eli. He is preceded in passing by his parents. Services were March 25, 2017 at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center.

Tommy Allen Rhodes

Tommy Allen Rhodes, 50, of Indianapolis, died March 16, 2017. He was born Jan. 16, 1967 to Jerry Rhodes and Virginia Mae Smith, who preceded him in death. He had been a self-employed roofer. He loved rock and roll and playing his Gibson guitar and fishing at Wagon Wheel Lake. Tommy is survived by his children, Heather, Tommy and Shannon Baldock; brothers, Danny, Gary and Johnny Rhodes; sisters, Lisa Boles and Jennifer Haggermand; stepfather, Freddy Smith; seven grandchildren; and the mother of his children, Tracy Wiarek. Visitation was March 28 at Grinsteiner Funeral home. Graveside service followed at New Crown Cemetery

**Norma Jean Tinsley**

Norma Jean Tinsley, 82, Indianapolis, died on March 25, 2017. Born May 30, 1934 in Indianapolis to the late Roy and Emma (Whitaker) Williams, she was an avid reader and enjoyed music. She loved her annual two-month trip to Pawley's Island, South Carolina, where she was affectionately known as the Queen of the Fishing Pier and Head Bait Catcher. Norma worked for the same company, which is now known as Praxair since 1954; retiring as chief purchasing agent in the early 2000's. She is also a 20+ year breast cancer survivor and worked as a counselor for the Y Me Foundation (now, Pink Ribbon Connection). Survivors include children, Opal Elaine Johnson, Teddy G. Stone (Bonnie J. Stone), Lisa A. Stone (James Cunning), Robert E. Tinsley; 14 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren and one furry child, Jack III. She was preceded in death by her husband Dorr E. Tinsley in 1992, son in law Russell Johnson and foster parents, William



and Clyde Fisher. Visitation is March 30, 11 a.m. -1 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Rd. 135 followed by funeral at 1 p.m. Burial is at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Susanne T. Webb

Susanne T. Webb, 88, of Indianapolis, died on March 21, 2017. She was born Nov. 24, 1928 in Berlin, Germany to the late Ernst and Margarite Grund. On Oct. 19, 1952 Susanne married Donald Webb. Susanne is survived by her daughter Heidi (Richard) White. She is preceded in passing by her parents, husband, and siblings Heinz and Liselotte Grund. A memorial service was March 24 at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center.

Garland A. Williams

Garland A. Williams, 92, of Indianapolis, died on March 21, 2017. He was born on Aug. 7, 1924 to the late Ephrium and Hester Williams. Garland married Juanita Stout on Nov. 27, 1943. He worked for Detroit Diesel Allison Division of General Motors for over 39 years, retiring in 1985. Garland was a member of Southport Baptist Church. Garland is survived by his son Robert (Karen) Williams; daughter Karen Kello; five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in passing by his parents; wife Juanita; and siblings Bonnie Bernice, Mabel Williams, Opal Hollingsworth, Marjorie Gee. Services were March 24 at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center.

Alice Elizabeth (Riggs) Wood

Alice Elizabeth (Riggs) Wood, 91, of Greenwood, died on March 21, 2017. Alice, known as Betty, was born on Oct. 16, 1925 in rural Nineveh Township, Ind. to James Alvin and Ethel (Mullikin) Riggs. She attended school in Nineveh, where she met the love of her life, Floyd Walter Wood, but graduated from New Salem High School in 1943. Betty graduated from Indiana University in 1948 with a degree in Home Economics and was awarded her Master's Degree in 1971. She began her teaching career in Coesse, Ind. and retired from Greenwood Community Schools as the head of the Home Economics Department in 1986. Betty and Floyd married in 1950. She enjoyed sewing, knitting, square dancing and traveling. Together, Betty and Floyd visited all 50 states and many countries. Betty was a long time member of Psi Iota Xi Service Sorority and a member of Greenwood Christian Church since 1958. Survivors include her daughters Rebecca Rhodes, Marilyn Wood and Diane Jones (Kenny); grandchildren, Jennifer Muller (Kevin), Allison Dutton (Nathan), Natalie Desser (Tim), Michael Moonan, Catherine Moonan, Daniel Moonan, Kimberly Eckert (Nathan), Hannah Jones, Kenneth Jones, Jr. (Amy) and Bradley Jones; and 17 great-grandchildren. Betty was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd Wood, on Nov. 12, 2016; her parents; and her siblings, Ransom, Dorothy, Mabel, George and Bob. Funeral service was March 27 at Wilson and St. Pierre Funeral Service and Crematory, Greenwood Chapel. Burial followed at Greenwood Cemetery, Greenwood.

Obituaries are printed free of charge. Funeral directors are encouraged to send obituaries and photos to news@ss-times.com. Information received by noon Tuesday will be published Thursday, space permitting.

IN OUR SCHOOLS



Kiwanis award Roncalli basketball player Alex Kuntz a scholarship

Education – Alex Kuntz (fourth left), a senior at Roncalli High School in Indianapolis, was one of five Marion County Senior High School Boys Basketball players who received a Downton Indianapolis Kiwanis-NextGear Boys Basketball Academic All-Star Scholarship on March 23. The scholarship, sponsored by NextGear Capitol, was presented at the 71st annual Indiana State High School Boys Basketball Finals Luncheon, which honors the eight state finalist basketball teams. It was held at Bankers Life Fieldhouse, home of the Indiana Pacers - a sponsor.

Other recipients were, from left, John Di-

etric, Bishop Chatard High School; Andrew Sandifer, Cardinal Ritter School; Curtez Hudgins, Arlington Community High School; and Chase Andries, Beech Grove High School – whose award was accepted on his behalf by Beech Grove's Athletic Director, Matt English. Each received a \$1,000 scholarship that recognizes the importance of academic excellence in athletics. The scholarships are awarded to five senior Marion County basketball players who maintained the highest career grade point averages. Officials who participated in the luncheon included from left, Jim Mills Memorial Scholarship presenter Jeff Mills; Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) Commissioner Bobby Cox; Bill Benner of Pacers Sports and Entertainment; NextGear Capital CFO David Horan; and Kiwanis Club President Greg Fennig.

Roncalli's Knierman chosen for art exhibit

Invitational – The artwork of Roncalli High School junior Rachel Knierman has been selected to be part of the 3rd annual Indiana High School Junior Art Invitational sponsored by Indiana University's Heron School of Art & Design. This competition was open to all high school juniors in the



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cannot silence it now. Few want to hear the truth and particularly about themselves. We are no different. I can hear the voice of Christ saying now, "I commend you not!"

Dig deeper and pray for the Holy Spirit to rise up in the church and to speak out about our past and present failures and to move us to a place where we will hear the voice of Christ for today. May it be so.

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