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Kenzie Ntyre shows off a turtle painted on her forehead as Tina White, a.k.a., "Officer Smiles" grins for the camera. Tina was on hand to paint faces at Greenwood's National Night Out, held Aug. 6 at Amphitheater Park. National Night Out is a community-police awareness-raising event all over the U.S., held the first Tuesday of August. Greenwood's event also featured a bounce house, balloon twisting, quick magic, grab bags and gift baskets, in addition to live music by Exit 99 and a broadcast from KORN Country 100.3. In addition, there were appearances by Boomer of the Indiana Pacers, Rowdie from the Indianapolis Indians and Nitro from Indy Fuel. (Photo by Neal Smith)

'Grammar Guy' receives \$2,000 grant through Indiana Arts Commission

Grant - Curtis Honeycutt, writer of The SST's weekly humor column "Grammar Guy," will receive a \$2,000 grant through the Indiana Arts Commission's Individual Advancement Program. The grant, funded by the State of Indiana in conjunction with the federally appropriated funds from the National Endowment for the Arts, will allow Honeycutt to pursue some writing projects as well as



C. Honeycutt

a literary-focused event in 2020. Grammar Guy appears in over 30 newspapers across the country. Through his column, Honeycutt has received a national award from the National Society of Newspaper Columnists and was named Humor Writer of the Month in August 2018 by the Erma Bombeck Writers Workshop. With the grant, Honeycutt will attend a writing conference and complete the first draft of a nonfiction humor book about grammar. He will throw a grammar party and interactive seminar at a venue in Noblesville or Fishers. In addition to storytelling about grammar as well as a TED-style talk about grammar, Honeycutt will invite area newspaper editors to participate in a

panel discussing the state of newspapers in a quickly changing digital landscape. "My long-term goal is to make a full-time living from my writing work," said Honeycutt, who recently joined the board of directors of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. "Not only do I love words and writing, but I believe in the value and importance of local newspapers to help keep the public informed. I'm grateful for this opportunity and for the Indiana State Legislature and Governor Holcomb for continuing to fund this grant program." Curtis Honeycutt is a nationally award-winning syndicated humor writer. Connect with him on [@curtishoneycutt](https://twitter.com/curtishoneycutt) or at curtishoneycutt.com.

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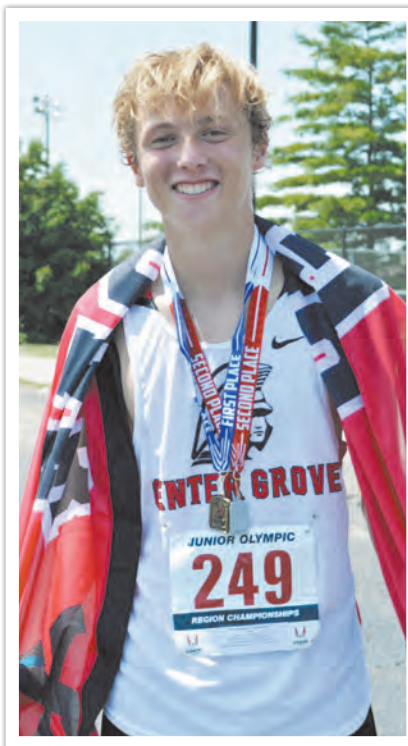
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Nick Wilson. (Submitted photo)

THE WILSON FILE

NAME: Nick Wilson
SPORT: Cross-country and soccer
YEAR: Senior
POSITION: For soccer, left back or left mid
HEIGHT: 5 feet 9 inches
COLLEGE PLANS: Plans to study architecture or civil engineering. Is considering the University of Cincinnati, the University of Louisville or Trine University.
FAVORITE TV SHOW: *How I Met Your Mother*
FAVORITE MOVIE: *Godfather*
HOBBIES/INTERESTS: Playing sports and spending time with friends
PARENTS: Michael and Jane Wilson

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Athlete of the Month Nick Wilson

By Stephanie Dolan

This year, Nick Wilson will be a senior at Center Grove High School. He will be captain of the cross-country track team, as well as a starter on the soccer team. This summer, he competed in the Junior Olympics in Sacramento, CA, running cross-country.

Wilson is Center Grove ICON's Athlete of the Month.

"Nick is a very driven young man who always will do all he can to out-work his competitor," soccer coach Jameson McLaughlin said. "He is unselfish and has always been willing to play anywhere on the field to help the team."

"I'm probably a better runner, but I probably enjoy soccer more," Wilson, 17, said.

Wilson has been playing soccer since he was 5.

This past season he scored one goal and eight assists.

"I'm looking to play more of an offensive position this year so I'm hoping those stats will go up," he said.

"Nick for three years now has played a full season of soccer with us while also running for the cross-country team in the same season," McLaughlin said.

"I have coached Nick in both cross-country and in track," cross-country and assistant track coach Howard Harrell said. "He's like the Energizer Bunny. He has so much energy. He frequently practices two times a day – cross-country in the morning and soccer in the evening. He puts so much time and energy into both sports."

Both cross-country and soccer are a part

of the fall season. Soccer games are frequently on Tuesdays and Thursdays while cross-country meets are on Saturdays.

This past cross-country season, Wilson placed 11th at county and fourth at regionals with a 5K time of 16 minutes, 11 seconds.

One might think that that the team atmosphere is quite different between soccer and cross-country.

"Definitely in races it's a lot more individual," Wilson said. "But we have a really good team culture for a cross-country team, and I get as much out of that as I do soccer."

"He is friends to and friendly with a wide range of people," Harrell said. "He frequently talks to and gives advice to the new kids on the team. He warms up with JV runners as he talks to and helps them out, but as soon as the practice begins, he moves right on up to the front of the pack and pushes the pace."

Wilson said that he believes all this hard work has built him into who he is today.

"I'm just trying to be the best that I can," he said.

And that sentiment is evident in his interaction with the younger players on the team. What would he tell younger teammates who are working at improving their game?

"Keep with it and keep pushing to be your best," Wilson said. "Don't be afraid to talk to older players or runners. When I was a freshman, I was always in the seniors' faces trying to figure out what I should be doing to get to their level."

Center Grove News Quiz

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

1 Where was Dr. Thomas Cortese of Forefront Dermatology stationed during basic training during the Vietnam War?

- A. Fort Sam Houston, TX
 B. Presidio of San Francisco
 C. Fort Dix, NJ
 D. Fort Wayne, IN

2 Presley McGraw, a 2018 CG graduate, traveled to which village in Haiti during her third mission trip?

- A. Dessalines B. Montrouis
 C. La Gonave D. Barderes

3 How did Rita Martin, ICON of the Month, meet her husband?

- A. When she taught him private piano lessons
 B. In a college production of "Brigadoon"
 C. When they were partners in biology class
 D. When they worked in the college cafeteria

4 Athlete of the Month Nick Wilson competed in the Junior Olympics this summer. For which sport did he compete?

- A. Baseball
 B. Tennis
 C. Swimming
 D. Cross-country



5 This past winter, Jeff Beck attended a performance at the Johnson County Museum of History in Franklin. The museum previously housed which organization?

- A. Franklin Lodge #107 F&AM Masonic Lodge
 B. Alexander Hamilton Chapter of the N SDAR
 C. Johnson County Community Foundation
 D. Center for Global Impact Inc.

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HISTORY & ARCHITECTURE

Meeting a blast from the past

Recalling memories of Center Grove friends and teachers

By Jeff Beck

This past February my wife and I attended a performance of a woman sharing a story of the late Madam C.J. Walker of Indianapolis at the Johnson County Museum of History in Franklin. Walker was an African-American entrepreneur, philanthropist and a political and social activist in the early 20th century. The museum, which formerly housed Franklin Lodge #107 F&AM Masonic Lodge, is free and well worth the short drive; donations are accepted.

I was sitting on the stairs leading to the balcony waiting for the performance to begin when a tall, slender, elderly man walked in and immediately sat on a bench at the main entrance to the museum. After climbing about 40 steps to the main entrance of the museum, my soon-to-be new friend was tired. The man looked familiar, though even not knowing him I always enjoy meeting new potential friends. After speaking with the man, I discovered he grew up in the Center Grove community. He said his name was Frank Martin, CGHS class of 1946.

A former star basketball player

After a little research I discovered Frank was a star basketball player during his high school years. Frank also shared that his wife, Willu, was one of the early school nurses at CGS. Willu is Donna Voiles' sister, who also worked for CGS. Donna's husband, Melvin (Sonny) also played basketball for CGHS a few years after Frank. Frank's home was located immediately east of the student parking lot, and the IT and CGEF buildings at the main campus of CGHS.

I recall that Center Grove purchased Frank's family's land many years earlier. Names of basketball players came up during my discussion with Martin: Mel Weddle, Bill Paddack and again, Sonny Voiles. I often see Mel and Bill while attending church most Sundays; both men still enjoy attending church and we talk about family and high school memories. Mel's wife, Shirley was "yell leader," or what is now call cheerleader. Mary Lue (Doty) Walker and Francie (Brown-ing) Faires also join our group at church. Our church's pew of friends is like a high



Basketball players from Center Grove High School in 1946. (Submitted photo)

school reunion from the mid-1950s. We enjoy each other's company. Center Grove students became friends as there were smaller classes at that time; it is easier to keep in contact.

Our conversation continued as a man with a camera watched us. The man with the camera joined us on the elevator and introduced himself as Ivan Lancaster, a former CG teacher and volunteer with the museum.

Remembering the teachers

I asked Ivan if he remembered my CG sixth-grade teacher, Mr. Bill Legan; he said he did not. I am happy to report Bill also keeps in touch with former students, including myself. Bill will email and ask about former students and where they are working and living. I enjoy the stories shared by my former teacher, such as teachers going to the school maintenance area to smoke a quick cigarette between classes with Basil Briggs (a non-smoker) and another worker with the last name of Blaich. Mr. Legan left CGS to return to his hometown of Franklin to continue teaching and being closer to his family. I will always remember Mr. Legan's flat top haircut and bow tie. In those days, teachers used to wear their Sunday best while teaching, setting a good example (while also hiding their smoking habit from students).



Jeff Beck is a lifelong Bargersville resident who has a passion for the history of the Center Grove area. He has authored the books, *Bargersville* and *Center Grove: Unveiling the Past*.

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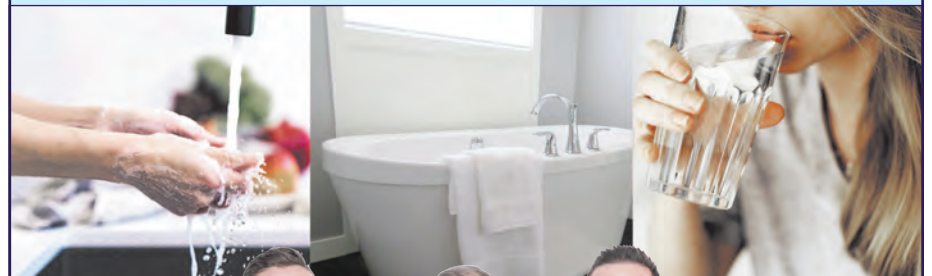
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A mission for Haiti

Center Grove graduate helps families and orphans in need of food, clothing and housing

COVER STORY

By Angela Morefield

While most recent high school graduates are saving money for college and focused on preparing for their own future, there is one who would rather spend her time helping those in need of a home or their next meal.

Presley McGraw, who graduated from Center Grove High School last year, has traveled with the nonprofit organization SMI Haiti/Sundouloi Ministries, based in Martinsville, Indiana, and Emmanuel Church in Greenwood three times to help with missionary work in Haiti. "Every trip is different," McGraw said. "SMI has built a lot of orphanages and churches and homes for the community so if they're in the middle of one of those projects we just pick up where the last group left off."

An itch for mission work

During McGraw's first trip in October 2018, she focused mostly on painting houses. As soon as she returned home, she was so anxious to go back she began raising money for her next trip. McGraw traveled with a medical group during her second trip in January 2019. During her last trip in July, she spoke at a conference for the first time. The theme was "I Am." McGraw wrote a speech titled, "I Am Loved," and presented it at the conference. The speech focused on her love for God and His love for us.

While spending time in Haiti, McGraw and other volunteers would engage in fun activities and games with Haitian children, offering treats like cotton candy while having water balloon fights and engaging in face painting. The mission group also hosts teen and adult conferences.

During McGraw's third trip to Haiti, the group traveled to a small village called La Gonave to visit an orphanage. "To get there you have to take a bus ride, a boat ride, and a motorcycle ride with one of the locals. Nobody knew about it, and the journey cost a lot of money to get there and our church is

the one who feeds them," McGraw said. Just a year prior to McGraw's visit, the children at the orphanage were only eating twice a week and had very little to no shelter. When McGraw and others in her group from Emmanuel Church traveled to La Gonave, they built a home. Funds raised from Emmanuel

now help provide children with meals twice daily. "That was our favorite place to visit

and we always bring them more food and clothes," she said.

McGraw is a full-time nanny and loves children. She raises most of the money for Haiti by hosting "parent nights" with her mom. People from her

church, friends and family members can bring their children to her home for a fun night while the parents enjoy a night out to themselves. Included in the price, she provides dinner and fun crafts and games for around 10-20 kids. Before her last visit to Haiti, McGraw had already raised enough money to go on the trip, so she raised even more money, enough to feed an entire village in Haiti. "That was awesome to be able to take pictures of how that happened and everyone getting their food and then getting to show all the families that participated so they know that they are helping with a good cause which they love," she said.

In addition to McGraw's missionary work in Haiti, she ran in a mini-marathon in November 2018 to raise money for clean water in Africa. She plans to run again this year. Emmanuel Church partners with Team World Vision to raise money to help people in Africa get clean drinking water. Just \$50 provides lasting clean water for one individual. McGraw's goal last year was to provide for 50 people by having people sponsor each mile she ran. McGraw's goal this year is to raise \$2,000.

Seeing a need and taking action

"When Presley went the first time, she was excited and nervous but soon into the trip realized that she would forever have a part in Haiti," said Kerry Carmichael, outreach director for Emmanuel Church in Greenwood. "After her second trip she came back and knew what God was calling her to do was not just go to Haiti but to serve here and to look for ways to continue to help Haiti while she was in the U.S. What impresses me the most about Presley is that she sees a need and she takes action. Her heart is so big for others and it's exciting to see her grow and mature and see how God is using her to literally feed a whole community. And I'm certain that this is just the beginning."

McGraw said her favorite part about Haiti is attending church every Sunday and witnessing the faith of the attendees.



Presley McGraw.
(Submitted photo)



Left, McGraw raises money for Haiti by hosting "parent nights," when parents bring their children to her home for entertainment while they enjoy a night out for themselves. | Center, during McGraw's third trip to Haiti, she visited La Gonave, a small village, to visit with children from an orphanage. | Right, meeting a new friend during a mission trip. (Submitted photos)

"You see their houses throughout the week and they literally have nothing but when they come to church on Sunday, the smiles that all of the Haitians have on their face; and then whenever they do (an) offering, every single person gives,"

she said. "They come from nothing and they still give. It may just be a penny or something small, and they don't even know where their next meal is going to come from but they're still giving. That has always touched me the most."

During her free time, when she is not

busy giving her time to help people (she also volunteers as a greeter for church on Sundays) McGraw enjoys hanging out with her friends and family, having game nights, relaxing, and of course, pizza is a must.

McGraw is not sure of her next step for the future, though she is sure of her

strong pull toward Haiti. Until then she will continue to follow her calling and go with the flow, in whatever direction God wants to lead her.

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Center Grove welcomes Walnut Grove Elementary School

By Nancy Price

Center Grove's newest elementary school is combining innovative learning spaces along with safe, energy efficient and environmentally friendly features.

Members of Center Grove School Community School Corporation's board, administration, staff and the community, along with architects who designed the school's campus, gathered Aug. 3 to dedicate Walnut Grove Elementary, located at 4079 N. Morgantown Road in Bargersville.

"We did a lot of research and

pulled together teams of teachers and leaders in each area to provide input on designs for everything from classrooms and shared spaces to lunchrooms and traffic flow," said Brian Proctor, principal of Walnut Grove. "We are all thankful for the school board and our community for providing us with such a wonderful building for our students."

Additional photos, a video tour and additional information, including a list of features in the school, are available at centergrove.k12.in.us/aboutWGES.

1. Families attended Walnut Grove's dedication on Aug. 3. (Photo by Neal Smith) 2. Invited guests, including members of the Center Grove Board of School Trustees and Center Grove administrators gather for a photo following the ceremony. (Submitted photo) 3. Teachers and leaders teamed together to provide input on designing classrooms. (Photo by Neal Smith) 4. Brian Proctor is principal of Walnut Grove Elementary School. (Photo by Neal Smith) 5. The structure in the lobby represents a Walnut Tree. (Photo by Neal Smith)



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OUR VIEW

Spend National Thriftshop Day in Greenwood and the Southside

Today, Aug. 17, is National Thriftshop Day. Like most shoppers, I love to get high quality merchandise without spending a small fortune. Fortunately, Greenwood and the Southside of Indy has a variety of thrift stores (yes, besides Goodwill and The Salvation Army). The following is a list of several stores that will suit your needs, whether you're looking for designer clothes and purses to gently-used kids' toys and books or a wardrobe for your picky teenager.

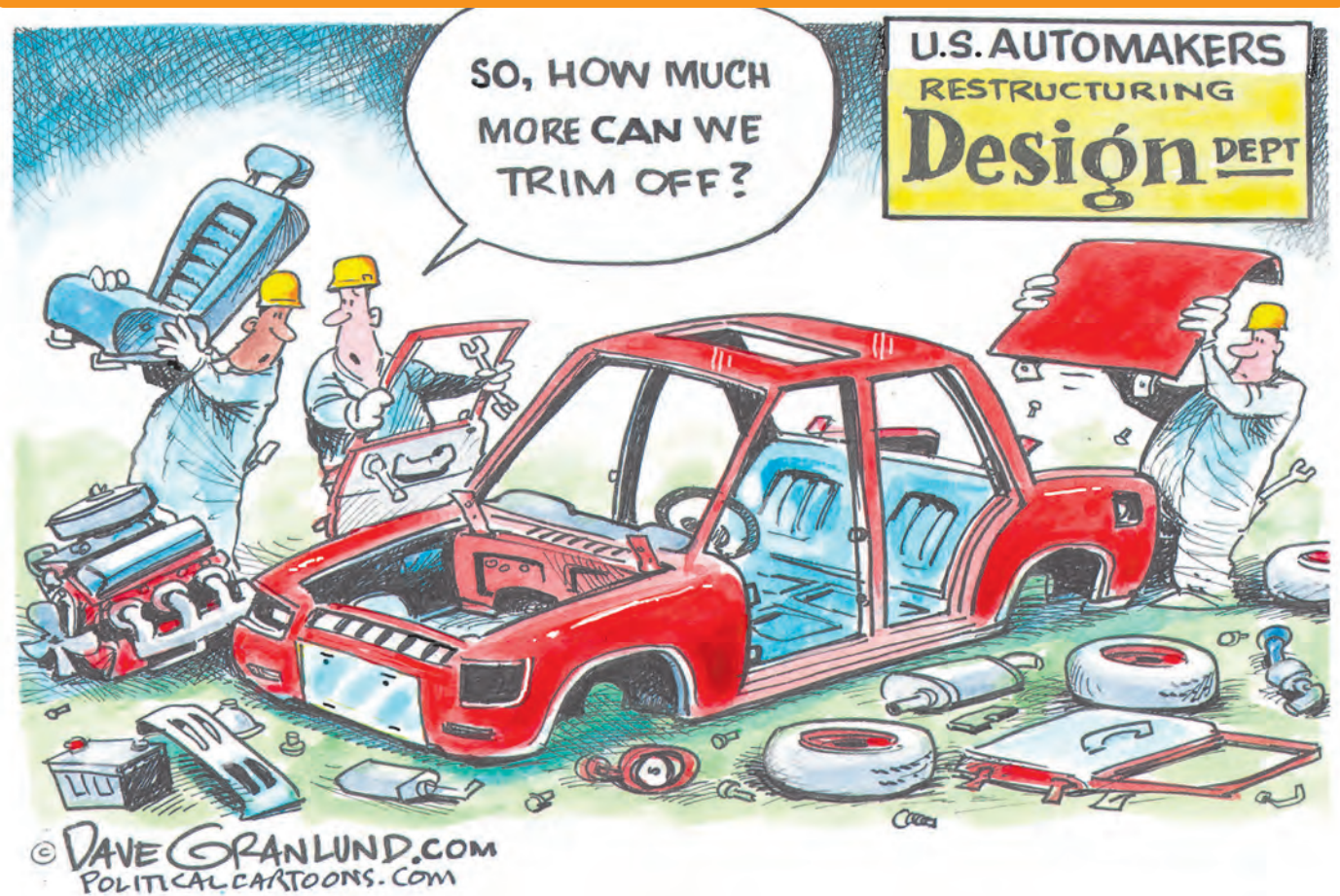
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TOP 10 WAYS TO CUT DOWN ON STRESS ON THE WORKPLACE

HUMOR

By Torry Stiles

10. Take control of the company Muzak account and play nothing but old Redd Foxx comedy routines.
9. Launch a weekly Casual Drinking Friday.
8. Spend the day referring to everybody as "Bub."
7. Invite that Top Ten guy to come in and give an inspirational speech. Pay him handsomely.
6. Replace the MSDS manuals with old Archie comic books just to see how long it takes someone to notice.
5. Forklifts were made to run the Figure-8.
4. 30-hour work week and a kitten at every desk.
3. Ask the safety officer to do a cup check.
2. When you get one of those sales calls from some foreign phone room immediately ask if they're the police. Demand to talk to a sergeant.
1. Go back to bed and stay there.



QUOTE

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- WILLIE NELSON

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EVENTS calendar

BARGERSVILLE

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Mallow Run Winery Labor Day Weekend Anniversary Festival • Celebrating 14 wonderful years of wine, food and music! Saturday, Aug. 31 music (6-9 p.m.): Blue River Band; Sunday, Sept. 1 music (2-5 p.m.): Mike & Joe; Monday, Sept. 2 music (2-5 p.m.): Stella Luna & the Satellites. Free admission, thanks to our sponsors! | When: Aug. 31-Sept. 2; starts at noon each day. | Where: Mallow Run Winery, 6964 W. Whiteland Road. | Info: (317) 422-1556; info@mallowrun.com.

Picnic Concert Series • Food trucks, wine and the music of The Bishops. Free admission, thanks to our sponsors! | When: Sept. 7; 6-9 p.m. | Where: Mallow Run Winery, 6964 W. Whiteland Road. | Info: (317) 422-1556; info@mallowrun.com.

FRANKLIN

African Children's Choir • The African Children's Choir melts the hearts of audiences with their charming smiles, beautiful voices and lively African songs and dances. The program features well-loved children's songs, traditional Spirituals and Gospel favorites. Concerts are free and open to all. A free-will offering is taken at the performance to support African Children's Choir programs, such as education, care and relief and development programs. The African Children's Choir has had the privilege to perform before presidents, heads of state and most recently the Queen of England, Queen Elizabeth II, for her diamond jubilee. The African Children's Choir is a nonprofit humanitarian and relief organization dedicated to helping Africa's most vulnerable children today so they can

help Africa tomorrow. | When: Aug. 21, 6:30 p.m. | Where: Franklin Community Church, 2005 Upper Shelbyville Road. | Info: (317) 738-9039; african-childrenschoir.com.

Dining in the Dark • Dining in the Dark is a unique event to raise awareness regarding seniors that are not only visually impaired but also to raise awareness for a multitude that is simply "out of sight, out of mind" and are suffering in silence. The event will raise funds for the local not-for-profit organization serving older adults throughout Johnson County. Johnson County Senior Services have been serving seniors for over 40 years and is the only free door-to-door transportation service in the entire county. Year-end 2018 they transported 13,453 trips and they also distributed over \$523,996 in food and supplies to individuals in need and at risk. In addition, they also provide free durable medical equipment, personal products, Christmas gifts and information & assistance. | When: Aug. 29, 5 p.m. | Where: Compass Park Community Center, 609 S. State St. (located at the Indiana Masonic Home). | Info: (317) 738-4544; /JohnsonCounty-SeniorServices.

GREENWOOD

Grief Share Support Group • Whether your grief is fresh or recurring, the Grief Share groups are designed to help with your journey. Some of you have attended previously, and we want to welcome you back. Many of you have just begun your journey and those feelings of loss and confusion are something we all share. Southland's Grief Share group is open to all denominations and you can start any week; however, we would like you to register by return email to Mary. The cost is \$20 for the workbook, unless you already purchased one, and can be paid during class. | When: July 3-Sept. 25, 6-8 p.m. | Where: Southland Community Church, 5800 Smith Valley Road. | Info: Mary at (317) 340-3284 or gerlachme@yahoo.com.

Monday Night Book Club: The Pact • Discuss books in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Copies of the titles will be available at the checkout desk the month before each meeting. August's book is, "The Pact," by Jodi Picoult. | When: Aug. 19; 7-8:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., WRB Community Room (whole room). | Info: (317) 885-1330; jcpln.libnet.info/event/2843043.

Purse Bingo • The Social of Greenwood presents Purse Bingo. Doors open at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$35 and now on sale (from 9 a.m.-noon) at the Social of Greenwood, 111 S. Park Dr. | When: Aug. 22, 6:30 p.m. | Where: The Barn at Bay Horse Inn, 1468 Stones Crossing Road. | Info: (317) 882-4810; the-socialofgreenwood.org.

Community Concerts in the Park • A full lineup of several community bands from around the state of Indiana traveling to play in the Greenwood Amphitheater. This means hundreds of musicians from several other bands are flocking to Greenwood to take part in a full afternoon and evening of concerts providing audiences with back-to-back entertainment. The Greenwood Amphitheater will come alive with the sound of thoroughly rehearsed concert band arrangements for all ages to enjoy. Feast with food served by the Trombone Section on site. We reserved the Community Center next door to the stage to ensure that the show will go on, regardless of weather. Bring your friends, family and lawn chairs for a full day of music and festivities in Surina Park. | When: Aug. 24, noon to 7 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Amphitheater, 100 Surina Way. | Info: greenwoodband.org.

Book Discussion: Dead Sleep • If you love talking with others about a book you've read, you'll want to attend these events. Copies of the titles will be available at the checkout desk the month before each meeting. The book to be discussed is "Dead Sleep" by Greg Iles. | When: Aug. 28; 1:30-3:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., WRB Community Room (whole room). | Info: (317) 885-1330; jcpln.libnet.info/event/2843246.

Summer Concert Series • Nearly every Saturday evening between June and August, Greenwood residents, visitors and their families gather downtown - known locally as Old Town - with lawn chairs, blankets and snack-filled coolers to enjoy live performances in an energetic and welcoming atmosphere. Summer Concert Series performers cover a variety of musical genres ranging from country to pop, rock and funk. The Flying Toasters perform. | When: Aug. 31, 7 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Amphitheater in Craig Park, 100 Surina Way. | Info: greenwood.in.gov.

Crafting for a Cause: Create Your Rock • We all have times when we need words of encouragement, a way to express ourselves, or give joy to someone. Help Upstream Prevention share words of strength and encouragement by personalizing a rock! | When: Sept. 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., WRB Community Room (whole room). | Info: (317) 885-1330; jcpln.libnet.info/event/2843495.

Doll Tea Party • Dress fancy for a doll tea party. Bring your favorite doll, stuffed animal or action figure for crafts, treats and play. | When: Sept. 6, 10:30-11:30 a.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., WRB Community Room (whole room). | Info: (317) 885-1330; jcpln.libnet.info/event/2843245.

All Aboard! Model Railroad Display! • Calling all train enthusiasts! Bring the entire family to this drop-in program and see an amazing model railroad display presented by the CINTrak Model Railroad Club. CINTrak (Central Indiana N-TRAK) is an N-scale modular railroading club founded in 1980. Members build and maintain modules following either the N-TRAK or oNe-TRAK standard. This allows numerous modules to be brought together to create huge layouts at train shows. You don't want to miss this one! | When: Sept. 7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., WRB Community Room (whole room). | Info: (317) 885-1330; jcpln.libnet.info/event/2843695.

Center Grove High School Class of 1969 50th Reunion • Visit with your old friends and find out what your classmates have been up to! Check in starts at 11:45 a.m. | When: Sept. 15, 2-6 p.m. | Where: Barn at Bay Horse Inn, 1468 W. Stones Crossing Road. | Info: Jeanne at (317) 216-5991.



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WAMMfest returns for its 11th year at Craig Park this Saturday. (Photo by Darlene Harrison of Harrison Creative Services, Inc.)

WAMMfest celebrates 11 years of wine, art, music and microbrew

FEATURE

By Angela Morefield

WAMMfest returns this Saturday at Craig Park from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. The 11th annual celebration and fundraising event of wine, art, music and microbrew is an event developed and hosted by the Sertoma Club of Greenwood. Net proceeds are redistributed to community programs and initiatives. "Sertoma exists for the high and noble purpose of service. To mankind. It is a privilege to be part of an organization that gives back," said Josh O'Neal, marketing chair of WAMMfest.

WAMMfest is presented by Ray Skillman Auto Group and Johnson Memorial Health. Each year, volunteers from the Sertoma Club of Greenwood organize

WAMMfest, a charity festival focused on showcasing fragrant varieties of Indiana wine, art from 65 artists, live music and entertainment and award-winning microbrews. Enjoy food vendors that feature a wide variety of festival favorites and full-service restaurant quality cuisine.

All net proceeds from the festival are distributed back to support youth, individual and community organizations. In the last 10 years, the Sertoma Club of Greenwood has donated more than \$750,000 to local causes since the beginning of WAMMfest.

"WAMMfest is one of my favorite events of the year. Nothing is better than being able to celebrate wine, art, music and microbrew with family and friends.

And the icing on the cake is that all proceeds go back into the community," Susan Decker, WAMMfest attendee said.

WAMMfest will include many wine vendors, such as Cedar Creek Winery, Ertel Cellars Winery, Holtkamp Winery, Mallow Run Winery and Rettig Hill Winery. Microbrew vendors will include Bier Brewery, Cedar Creek Brewing Co., Centerpoint Brewing Co., Indiana City Brewing Co., MashCraft Brewery, Oaken Barrel Brewing Company, Planetary Brewing Company, Quaff On! Brewing Company, Sun King Brewing Company and Taxman Brewing Company. Additionally, up to 70 booths will feature unique work including pottery, jewelry, paintings, photography, sculptures, glasswork,

woodworking, baskets, clothing, accessories and more.

Returning fan favorites of six bands will alternate between two stages. Performing acts include Smith/Hause Project, Fancy Sauce, The Doo, Windbreakers, Blue River Band and The Spazmatics.

"Greenwood always knows how to pack a punch when it comes to WAMMfest," said Marcus Collins, WAMMfest attendee. "The wineries and microbreweries keep the party rolling with their best brews, the food is fantastic, the artwork feeds the mind and heart and all those bands with all that music feeds the soul! It's always a 'You gotta be there,' kind of evening."

Visit WAMMfest.com for more information.

Leadership Johnson County to host the Five Dysfunctions of a Team

Professional development - Leadership Johnson County will host the Five Dysfunctions of a Team professional development training at the Center Grove Technology Center on Aug. 30, 8 a.m.-noon. According to Patrick Lencioni, best-selling author of the "Five Dysfunctions of a Team," there are five dysfunctions a work group must overcome to become a cohesive team: absence of trust, fear of conflict, lack of commitment, avoidance of accountability and inattention to results. Join us as Dr. Rich Arkanoff, Superinten-

dent of the Center Grove Community School Corporation, offers an overview of Patrick Lencioni's "Five Dysfunctions of a Team" that will provide insights into likely areas of dysfunction. All participants will receive a copy of the book. The event will be held on the Center Grove High School campus in Greenwood. Tickets are \$49 per person for Leadership Johnson County Signature Program graduates, Franklin College alumni, Franklin, Indy and Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce members. General public pricing is \$59 per person. Group discounts are available. For more information about the event, please visit our website at leadershipjohnsoncounty.org or contact Tandy Shuck at (317) 738-8264.

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CENTER GROVE HS SPORTS PREVIEW

CG Football Mom's Recipes

FEATURE

Compiled by Nancy Price

While watching Center Grove High School's football team beat their opponent may be the best part of a game, the second must be munching on favorite snacks dur-

ing football season. Three mothers of Center Grove football players submitted their favorite tailgating recipes. These mouth-watering comfort foods are easy to make for a crowd of fans and likely to be gone before you can say, "Go Trojans!"



BUFFALO CHICKEN DIP

(Submitted by Michelle Coffey)

SERVINGS: 20

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 package cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup cooked chicken
- 1/2 cup of favorite wing sauce
- 1/2 cup blue cheese dressing
- 2 cups Monterey Jack cheese

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Grease pan, mix chicken and cream cheese, then layer chicken, sauce and cheese.
- Bake at 350 F for 25 minutes, until cheese is bubbly.



OREO PUDDING

(Submitted by Nicole Delp)

SERVINGS: (16)

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 package of Oreos
- 1/2 stick butter
- 8-ounce package cream cheese
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 2 packets French vanilla pudding
- 3 1/2 cups milk
- 12-ounce package Cool Whip

INSTRUCTIONS:

- You will need three separate bowls. In one bowl, crunch up Oreos. In second bowl, mix cream cheese, butter and powdered sugar. In third bowl, mix French vanilla pudding, milk and cool whip. Combine ingredients of second two bowls together. Mix with bowl of Oreos. Spread in 9 x 9 pan. Top with Oreos.



HOT HAM N' CHEESE SANDWICHES

(Submitted by Jennifer Hohlt)

SERVINGS: 6

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 package Hawaiian Rolls
- 1 pound of ham
- 1 package sliced Swiss cheese
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 teaspoon onion flakes
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Melt butter. Add onion flakes, Worcestershire sauce and dry mustard. Let stand for 30 minutes.
- Slice Hawaiian rolls in half and top with ham and Swiss cheese to make mini sandwiches.
- Brush butter topping on rolls and bake uncovered for 15 minutes at 325 F, making sure to not saturate rolls or they will become soggy.
- Remove from oven and brush butter topping over rolls. Cover with foil and bake an additional 10 minutes.



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CENTER GROVE HS FOOTBALL PREVIEW



Left, junior running back Connor Delp (5) shakes off defenders during an August 9 scrimmage. (Photo by Ceciley Hyde) | Center, 2019 Center Grove Trojans. (Submitted photo) | Right, sophomore running back Mitchell Evans (20) attempts to evade junior lineman Austin Booker (94) during an August 9 scrimmage. (Photo by Ceciley Hyde)

FEATURE The Center Grove Trojans will start their 2019 campaign for the 6A state title with a new quarterback, a young defensive line and one of the best running backs in the country, junior Carson Steele, according to maxpreps.com. Next Friday the Trojans face off against Warren Central, the team they lost to in the 2018 season opener and the Semi-State Championship to end the season. The team had a preview of their rivals this summer during a 7-on-7 drill at Indiana University. "We did some good things," said Center Grove Head Football Coach Eric Moore. "Our strength is offense and running the ball and we have an advantage there. However, they are difficult to beat because they reload with great talent and great speed." The Warren Central game will only be the beginning of a four-game slog that will pit Center Grove against New Palestine, Carmel and Ben Davis. "It is going to be a tough beginning," Moore said. "The first four teams are very

physical teams. But what is important is not how you start, but how you end and if we end well, we will go into the playoffs with a chance." Steele, who ran nearly 2,300 yards in 2018 during his sophomore year, is on the MaxPreps 2019 Preseason Junior All-American Football Team second team offense. Moore said he expects Steele to have another great year. "He led the conference in rushing as a freshman and a sophomore. He was a freshman starter and I've only had five of them in 20 years," said Moore. Sophomore quarterback Tayden Jackson will take the reins of the offense and is expected to make an impact this year and the years to come. He is the brother of Trayce Jackson-Davis, who will play this year for the Indiana Hoosiers basketball team. "He did a great job last year in (junior varsity). He mentally prepared well, had a good summer and is ready to go," said Moore. Another sophomore expected to make a big impact this year is Caden Curry, a 6-foot 2-inch 245-pound defen-

sive lineman. Curry started as a freshman and will lead a new squad. "We lost much of our defensive line after last year. We lost all but one (starter) but we have our replacements ready to go," said Moore, who added that safety Max Brown, and linebackers Gabe Boyd, Cody Robinson, Jackson Schott and Trey Clark will be key to the team's defensive success. Junior placekicker Austin Watson and sophomore punter Mitchell Evans will lead the Trojan kicking game, replacing recent graduates, punter PJ Buck and placekicker Luke Eckert. Eckert had been kicker for three years. "Our secondary is pretty much completely new. We have a new kicker and new punter. Everything is new," said Moore. Jackson and Steele will operate behind a solid offensive line with three returning linemen anchored by center Ethan Crowe, a 6-foot 5-inch 300-pound senior. He will be joined by two key seniors, tackle Drew Steimel and guard Luke Piper. "We return three offensive linemen, but they are still progressing and seem

to be trending in the positive direction. Hopefully this will help our running game, which is the main focus of our team," said Moore. The squad lost much experience with graduation last spring and this year's seniors lack the experience of last year's seniors, said Moore. This year's large junior class gained a good deal of experience last year as sophomores. Jackson and Curry are the two sophomore starters. "We have two starting sophomores. The rest have to wait until next year, and hopefully we will have enough juniors and seniors so that we won't have to go into that class," said Moore. Center Grove finished last year at 9-4 and Moore said keeping his team healthy will be priority. "I'd rather be lucky and healthy than be good but injured. You can be good but lose your people (and) you don't have a chance," he said.

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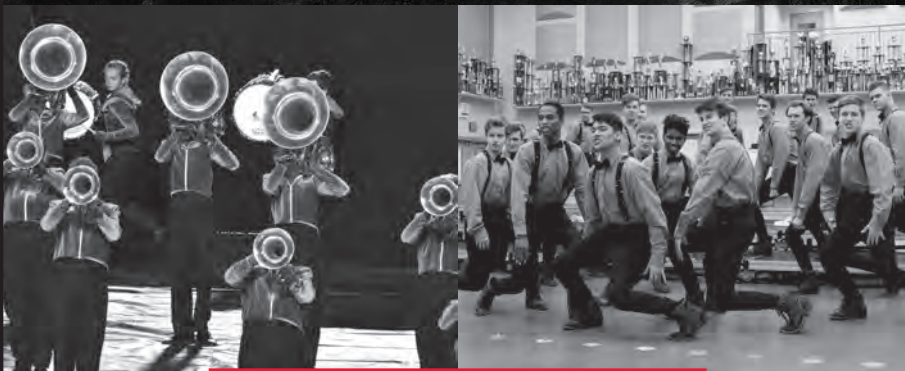
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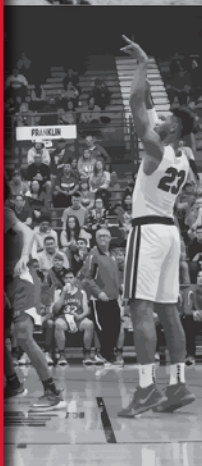
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CENTER GROVE HS SPORTS PREVIEW

2019 SCHEDULES

Center Grove Varsity Football

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
08.16	Scrimmage vs. Tech	6:00 p.m.	10.04	Pike <i>* Homecoming *</i>	7:00 p.m.
08.23	Warren Central	7:00 p.m.	10.11	Lawrence North <i>* Senior Night *</i>	7:00 p.m.
08.30	New Palestine <i>(Recognition of Spring Teams & Athletes) (Middle Schools Night) (Boys & Girls 15th Annual Halftime Cross-Country Meet)</i>	7:00 p.m.	10.18	Cathedral	7:00 p.m.
09.06	Carmel <i>(22nd Annual Copper Kettle Game)</i>	7:00 p.m.	11.01	Sectional Semi-Finals	7:00 p.m.
09.13	Ben Davis <i>(Bantam Night)</i>	7:00 p.m.	11.08	Sectional Championship	7:00 p.m.
09.20	North Central	7:00 p.m.	11.15	Regional Championship	7:00 p.m.
09.27	Lawrence Central	7:00 p.m.	11.22	Semi-State Championship	TBA
			11.30	State Finals @ Lucas Oil	7:05 p.m.

Center Grove Volleyball

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
08.13	Cathedral Scrim. (Var)	6:00 p.m.	09.21	New Palestine Trn. (FR)	9:00 a.m.
08.17	New Castle (V/JV)	10:00 a.m.	09.24	Lawrence No. (V/JV/FR)	6:00 p.m.
08.20	Avon (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.	09.26	Bloomington So. (V/JV/FR)	6:00 p.m.
08.22	Martinsville (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.	09.28	Cathedral Trn. (Var)	9:00 a.m.
08.24	Brownsburg (VAR/JV)	10:00 a.m.	10.2-3	County Trn. @ Edinburgh	5:30 p.m.
08.24	Roncalli Trn. (FR)	9:00 a.m.	10.05	Noblesville (VAR/JV)	10:00 a.m.
08.27	Cathedral (V/JV/FR)	6:00 p.m.	10.05	Hamilton SE (VAR/JV)	12:00 p.m.
08.29	Pike (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.	10.05	Chatard Trn. (FR)	10:00 a.m.
08.31	Mercy Academy (V/JV/FR)	11:00 a.m.	10.07	Franklin Central (V/JV/FR)	6:00 p.m.
09.03	Carmel (V/JV/FR)	6:00 p.m.	10.08	Lawrence Cent. (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.
09.05	Franklin (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.	10.10	Ben Davis (V/JV/FR)	6:00 p.m.
09.07	Providence Trn. (VAR)	9:00 a.m.	10.12	Yorktown (V/JV)	11:00 a.m.
09.10	North Central (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.	10.17 & 19	Sectional Trn. @ Franklin	TBA
09.12	Perry Meridian (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.	10.26	Regional Trn. @ Bloom. No.	TBA
09.14	Cathedral Trn. (JV)	10:00 a.m.	11.02	Semi-State @ Col. East or Jasper	11:00 a.m.
09.14	Brownstown Central Trn. (FR)	9:00 a.m.	11.09	State Finals @ Ball State	5:00 p.m.
09.17	Warren Cent. (V/JV/FR)	5:30 p.m.			

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1. Splinter group
5. Convey, as wisdom
11. Burden
15. Declare
16. Less phony
17. "This answer starts with H," e.g.
18. Indiana driver's license datum
19. Amazon's reader
20. Sainly glow
21. Johnson County newspaper
24. Apt
25. "___ to please"
26. Indy Fuel playing surface
27. Nairobi's locale
28. Ky. neighbor
30. Indiana State Fair barn sound
32. "Are we there, ___?"
33. Be sick
34. Breakfast drinks, initially
35. Johnson County newspaper
42. Memo abbr.
43. Weep
44. ___ culpa
46. Henhouse
48. Daybreak
50. Rhyme writers
52. Soak (up)
53. Musk of Tesla
55. Maple Grove Elementary School grade
56. Johnson County newspaper
60. Gambling city
61. Geist sailboats
62. Music symbol
64. God of war
65. Silly ones
66. Improve these clues
67. Trojans' chant: "___ No. 1"
68. Stylish
69. Indiana tax IDs

ACROSS

1. ___ Francisco
2. Rescued disaster victims
3. Enter
4. Chase ATM bill
5. Ticked off
6. Israel's Golda
7. Hunger indicator
8. Second man to walk on the moon
9. Lend again
10. Rome's ___ Fountain
11. "Fancy seeing you here!"
12. B vitamin
13. Open with a key
14. Reis-Nichols jewel

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22. Earl Grey, e.g.
23. Modern pictograph
24. Blue yonder
28. "___ the season..."
29. Peyton's little brother
31. Believer's suffix
33. Tuna type
34. Gambling parlor inits.
36. Sci-fi vehicle
37. Aggressive one
38. Greendale Centre shoe store letters
39. A long time
40. Gifts for a 55th wedding anniversary
41. Get cozy
45. Fire residue
46. Stick together
47. First game of a Trojans' season
48. Tip for a Starbucks barista, maybe
49. Nobody in particular
50. Trail Blazers, on a Bankers Life Fieldhouse scoreboard
51. Pound parts
52. Hoosier Park stable bedding
54. "Faust Symphony" composer
55. Persnickety
57. Community Hospital prescribed quantity
58. Enroll
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PERSONNEL MATTERS

Why applicants say 'no' to your job offer

By Howard Hubler

Many employers are experiencing something that they have never experienced before – applicants are turning down their job offers. Thanks to a tight labor market and record low unemployment rate, employers in the area are facing threats to their business that they are not accustomed to facing. What used to be important to applicants has changed and it differs with each generation. But no matter the generation, employers must adjust in this market. They must move quicker, be more flexible and make the process easier for applicants.

In a recent survey by Express Employment Professionals, 40 percent of respondents said applicants choose not to accept an offer because the company was "not the perfect fit." Twenty-eight percent said low pay was a factor, while 16 percent said both "lack of transportation" and "lack of advancement" were key factors.

What should employers focus on to

get applicants to say "yes?"

- 1.) **FOCUS ON YOUR REPUTATION OF BEING A GREAT EMPLOYER IN THE COMMUNITY** – if you are a great place to work, current employees and others in the community will talk about it.
- 2.) **ALLOW APPLICANTS AN OPTION TO SHADOW OR TOUR** – allow for the applicant to see the job "live." This helps them see the real job and talk with current employees absent of the manager to know the "what's it like to work here?"
- 3.) **SHOW A PATH FOR LEARNING AND ADVANCEMENT** – have examples of others who have gained new skills, promotions or gained additional responsibilities.
- 4.) **HAVE COMPETITIVE PAY RATES AND BENEFITS PACKAGES AS THE CURRENT MARKETPLACE** – you can't expect to attract talent with the lowest pay rates and poor benefits. You don't have to be the highest if the culture is strong and other items in this list are present.
- 5.) **OFFER SOME FLEXIBILITY WITH THEIR SCHEDULE** – you don't have to offer the ability to work from home but some flexibility to attend school or family-related events can be a

huge help to a parent. If possible, allow an employee to flex the schedule on occasion.

- 6.) **MOVE TO MAKE AN OFFER QUICKLY** – if the applicant has made the decision they are in a search, they are likely in the pipeline of other employers.

The economy is strong, and the tight labor market isn't going to go away anytime soon even if things soften. It's a job-seeker's market and applicants currently feel like they are more valuable, and they know they have options. The employers that are winning the war for talent are hitting the six key areas above but even then, they are seeing turnover.



This article is written by Mike Heffner, the owner of the local Greenwood Express Employment Professionals franchise. Contact Mike at Mike.Heffner@expresspros.com, @IndySouthMike on Twitter or visit ExpressIndySouth.com.

PLANNER OF NOTE

Upcoming chamber meetings and events

August 2019

23 – Bargserville Wellness Grand Opening Celebration. Please join the Greater Greenwood Chamber staff, Board and ambassadors for Bargserville Wellness' grand opening celebration! Aug. 23, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Bargserville Wellness, 17 N. Baldwin St., Bargserville. Greenwoodchamber.com.

29 – Emerging Leaders "Executive Conversations" Luncheon. The chamber believes inspiring and developing young talent is important for our region's future prosperity. Why? Emerging leaders will drive innovation and impact future economic growth. Therefore, the chamber is proud to support companies' emerging leaders by hosting "Executive Conversations," an exclusive professional development forum. Young professionals will learn from regional senior executives, ask questions and connect with other emerging business leaders. During this professional development emerging leaders will hear from Mercedes Enrique, president and owner of CMS Corporation, a construction company headquartered in Bargserville, IN. Since taking over CMS's assets in 2004, the company has grown from one to five locations and from eight to 70 employees. CMS has successfully captured government multi-year contracts with \$4.7 billion in contract capacity spanning 30 states, Guam and a worldwide contract. She serves on the Indiana Chamber Board and is very active with the National Minority Supplier Diversity Council and the Society of American Military Engineers. She earned a BSE in computer engineering and MBA in finance from the University of Toledo. To best facilitate meaningful dialogue and learning, we will limit participation to around 30 area emerging leaders from a variety of industries. Please note, this event is designed for ages 40 and under only. Cost is \$25. Aug. 29, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Dye's Walk Country Club, 2080 South State Road 135, Greenwood. Greenwoodchamber.com.

September 2019

11 – Connections! Get Connected with Connections! Learn functional skills and tips to successful networking! Connections! Is perfect for: professionals who are new to networking; new chamber members; longtime chamber members wanting more out of their networking; new business owners; introverts who feel more comfortable in a safe, structured environment; extroverts who love meeting people, but want advice on how to maximize their meetings. Connections! Is a fun, structured networking environment for members to participate in rotating table introductions! This program is designed to teach you how to make the best networking connections for your business AND others. The ultimate goal is building new strategic business relationships. This is an effective way to make numerous initial connections. You will spend several minutes networking with a small group of participants at each table before rotating to the next. A facilitator will host each table to help coach and guide discussion. You will learn how to find the right connections for you, whether it is the person at your table or someone they know in their network. Cost is \$25. Sept. 11, 2-4:30 p.m. Hilton Garden Inn Greenwood, 5255 Noggale Way, Indianapolis. Greenwoodchamber.com.

BUSINESS



Center Grove Housing Statistics from June 2019

Real estate – Buyers are finding Center Grove homes for slightly lower prices as homes leave the market quicker compared to June 2018. According to F.C. Tucker, the average sale price for homes sold in Center Grove in June 2019 was \$304,286 at \$128.82 per square foot, a 1 percent sale price decrease from June 2018. Homes in the city left the market faster, selling in 38 days, 17.4 percent faster than this time last year.



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Greenwood dermatologist celebrates a 50-year career on the Southside

FEATURE

By Nancy Price

Ask Dr. Thomas Cortese anything you'd ever want to know about dermatology. He'll tell you. He'll also tell you he's wanted to be a doctor since he was 8 years old, and that his career has spanned 50 years.

Just don't ask his age. He won't tell you that.

"A lot of patients who come here ask, 'How old are you?' I say I don't have an age," Cortese said with a smile. "Our professors in residency said, 'You'll be asked how old you are (by your patients). You have to have some way to make it look like you're making up an age; tell your patient age is what you make it for you.'"

Cortese is a dermatologist with Forefront Dermatology, which has offices nationwide, in Greenwood. Born and raised on the Southside of Indianapolis, he attended St. Roch and graduated from Cathedral High School. He studied premed and chemistry at I.U. in Bloomington before attending the I.U. School of Medicine in Indianapolis.

During his junior year of med school, Cortese attended a lecture at Riley Hospital and was intrigued with a doctor's presentation of photos of skin rashes. "Seeing the problem appealed to me. I saw diseases involved in the skin and wanted to be a doctor that took care of that," he said.

Cortese had spent just a week at his residency at a hospital now known as Eskenazi Health when he received a draft notice to attend basic training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas during the Vietnam War. Shortly after, a telegram was sent stating that his orders were to go to California instead. He was stationed at Presidio of San Francisco for basic training and assigned to work in dermatology at Letterman Army Hospital.

"I stayed there for two years," he said. "I liked the Army and was willing to stay, but there were no openings in dermatology."

After completing his residency, Cortese was asked to teach with the Depart-



Dr. Thomas Cortese is a dermatologist with Forefront Dermatology. (Submitted photo)

ment of Biochemistry at the I.U. School of Medicine, where he stayed for 26 years before working at the VA Hospital for 10 years. He also started his own private practice in Indianapolis which was named Cortese Clinic, with his father and brother.

Now semi-retired, Cortese has been with Forefront Dermatology for 50 years.

"I enjoy my job because I can teach patients about their skin as well as teach medical students," he said. "I can talk to the patients in a language they understand. My father gave me the best advice. He said, 'Treat them like they would want to be treated. That's my motto.'"

"We are so honored to have Dr. Cortese as a part of the Forefront family," said Dr. Betsy Wernli, a dermatologist with Forefront Dermatology in Manitowoc, WI. "At Forefront we choose carefully who we partner with because quality patient care matters. Dr. Cortese demonstrates the ethical medicine and exceptional patient care every single day."

Cortese has no plans to retire permanently. "I'm doing this because I find that helping patients means more to me than hitting a golf ball and chasing a golf ball and seeing how many times, I can get the ball into a cup," he said. "I want to stay working as long as I'm physically able."

ICONICbriefs

Greater Greenwood Chamber and Johnson County Development Corp. announce economic development

Economic Development - The Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce and Johnson County Development Corporation (JCDC) have announced plans to merge the two organizations. Greater Greenwood Chamber and JCDC boards voted in favor of the merger plan July 17. The plan now moves to the memberships of both organizations for a final vote. "In 2017, the Greater Greenwood Chamber began researching how we could further advance the success of our members," said Rick Myers, current board chair and publisher of The Southside Times. "We approached this merger in a deliberate and measured way to ensure our members and investors receive access to expanded networking opportunities, best practice sharing, trainings and business coaching – all with a stronger voice to advocate for business interests." Members of both organizations will soon receive packets in the mail detailing the merger and voting processes. In the next two weeks, the Greater Greenwood Chamber will host two

open houses for members to learn more about this proposed union. They will take place from 4 - 6 p.m. Aug. 14 and 20 at the Greater Greenwood Chamber of office. Members from both organizations will vote on the merger Aug. 21. If members vote in favor of the merger, the new organization will be named Aspire Johnson County and will do business as Aspire Economic Development + Chamber Alliance. Greater Greenwood Chamber President & CEO Christian Maslowski will serve as president of the new organization, and JCDC Executive Director & CEO Dana Monson will be vice president of economic development. Prior to the election of an official board of directors, the organization plans to appoint an interim committee featuring an equal number of members from both the JCDC and Greater Greenwood Chamber boards. The committee will review and approve financial and operational decisions. If approved, the new organization will formally launch Jan. 1, 2020.

TSgt Chavis Kendrick assigned to Greenwood Air Force recruiting office

Military - TSgt Chavis Kendrick has been assigned to the Air Force recruiting office, located at 1102 E. Stop 11 Road. As an Air Force recruiter, Kendrick is responsible for engaging, inspiring and recruiting diverse men and women for service in America's Air Force in Southern Indiana and the surrounding areas. Prior to his assignment in Greenwood, he was assigned to Patrick Air Force Base, Florida as a pharmacy technician. For more information about Air Force opportunities, please contact TSgt Chavis Kendrick at (317) 250-8190 or check him out on [fb.com/TSgtChavisKendrick](https://www.facebook.com/TSgtChavisKendrick) and at [SouthernIndianapolis_airforce](https://www.facebook.com/SouthernIndianapolis_airforce).



TSgt C. Kendrick



Greenwood installs new art sculptures on Polk Hill Trail

Arts & culture - The city of Greenwood finalized installation of four new public art sculptures on Polk Hill Trail in July. The new pieces replace four sculptures previously installed on Polk Hill Trail. "Art on the Trailway" was launched in 2012 and is managed by the city's Parks and Recreation Department. The program is funded by Greenwood's Economic Development Commission, the Indiana Arts Commission and the Greater Greenwood Arts Council. Approximately every two years, the Parks Department issues a call-out for submissions, and new pieces are chosen by a juried panel. The new sculptures will be in place until spring 2021.



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Will you climb the corporate ... latter, ladder or later?

GRAMMAR GUY

By Curtis Honeycutt

Do you want to work your way from the mailroom to the corner office? I can tell you've got gumption, kid, so leave it to me. I'll give you some swell advice that'll have you drinking gold-leafed martinis quicker than you can say "Scrooge McDuck doing the backstroke in a roomful of golden coins."

First thing's first: we need to clear up the common confusion between latter, ladder and later.

A ladder is a thing your leaf butler climbs to clean out your gutters. It's a tool with a series of horizontal bars called "rungs" that extend upward on affixed, parallel, vertical poles. I assume you understand this, so it's time to move on.

Latter and later are a bit more confusing. Not only are the two words one "t" apart in spelling, but their meanings are similar enough to make this pair be-

wildering to many. "Later" is an adverb that means "after, or subsequent to, the present time." For example: I planted some marigold seeds in my window planter box. A few weeks later, I had bright orange flowers blooming.

Latter is an adjective that means "happening at or toward the end of an activity." It also indicates the second of two things or people that were previously mentioned. Thomas Jefferson once wrote, "Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter." Here T.J. uses "latter" to refer to his preference for the second option - newspapers without a government.

Given the option between a Nickelback CD or a puppy, all your coworkers would prefer the latter as a birthday present. Don't be the lady who gives Nickelback CDs to people for their

birthdays; instead, be the puppy-giving coworker.

Furthermore, don't show up to a meeting later than the posted time. Instead, get there five minutes early. Bosses appreciate promptness, which is a sign of respect for their time. Also, if you offer your boss an unopened pack of Skittles, he'll likely love you forever and promote you sooner than later.

When it comes to climbing the corporate ladder, these tips can get you far toward your goal. In addition, having good grammar will make you more popular than the lady who gives out hypoallergenic birthday puppies.



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Minimizing the impact of internet outages when you're running a small business

TRENDS IN TECH

By Chet Cromer

We have a routine at home when tablets start running slowly or the TV glitches out. Someone inevitably hollers out, "Can someone restart the internet?" This is the sign for someone (normally dad) to crawl under the stairs, fumble around with all the electronics and reset the surge protector that powers our modem, router and WiFi system. Within a couple minutes, all systems are good and we're back on the grid. You'd think the same problem would not be as prevalent in a small business setting as it is in a home, but it often is. I've had to switch from writing my column in Google Docs to Microsoft Word because our internet at the office won't stay up today. We've restarted all our systems, opened a ticket with our provider and now our team sits here in virtual darkness waiting for the green lights to start blinking again. When the electricity is out, everyone in the area is affected, and there's often a single company responsible for correcting the outage. When the Internet goes down, it's hard to say who (or what) is at fault, and since there are multiple providers in most communities, outages often go

unnoticed because it's seemingly only affecting "my" service.

Internet outages can be more costly than power outages as well. What looks like a momentary hiccup turns into recurring glitches, slow speeds, lost productivity and lost sales. If you're a business like mine that depends on the internet for resources and business, it can wreak havoc to productivity to the point that you turn away customers or send your team home for the day. What can be done to minimize the impact of internet outages in the world of small business? Below are three simple steps you can take to prepare you and your business for the inevitable.

Be prepared

If the internet's up and down; what will you do? Who will you call? It doesn't take much time to build a quick reference sheet when you need one; it may help you quickly reach out and get help. You may also find that some of your neighbors use the same service, and a quick call to their office to confirm "it's not just me" helps put the problem in perspective. Have a backup plan. The best way to plan for an outage is

to do just that ... plan. This can be as comprehensive as an internet service package that has redundancy built in by the provider to a cellular hotspot everyone can use when the internet's down. It doesn't take lots of time or extra money, but the plan will be it when the network's down.

Be flexible

Outages like these will happen. Backup plans won't always work, or they'll be inconvenient. When the internet's down and productivity at the office is shot, perhaps it's time to send the team to the local coffee shop or their own homes to work for the day. Or maybe, just maybe, we can afford to take a couple hours away from our screens to focus on other priorities that often get lost in the day-to-day grind.



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The power of a table: people just want to be invited

DEVOTIONAL

By Pastor
Chris Philbeck

Recently I read the story of Sara Harmeyer who, in 2012, quit her job as charity and fundraising events organizer at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Dallas. While it was a rewarding job, Sara couldn't help but remember how happy she had been when she worked at the Red Porch Café, a restaurant she ran out of her home. "That was the best year of my life," she said. So, she asked her father to build her a table seating 20 people, and, using the Next-door website, she invited 300 people to her home. When more than 90 showed up she said, "I realized that night, as people kept coming down the driveway, that people just want to be invited."

One thing led to another and over the last six years she has hosted more than 3,000 people. She now runs Neighbors Table and has placed tables (she literally sells tables) in 28 states, with the aim of placing at least one table in all 50 states by 2020. In an interview with the magazine Real Simple, she said, "Two thousand years ago, we were invited to love our neighbors, and that is for sure what drives me. The world is a little crazy right now, and we could use more love in our interactions. A lot of people need to feel included and seen. And it's hard - my neighbors are not all like me. But there are ways we can connect, and the table is a beautiful, natural place to do that. When you're sitting at a big table, you feel part of something."

You can't read the Bible and not see the importance of being connected to one another. I love these simple words from David in Psalm 133:1: How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity. At my church we're getting ready to open a new campus in the Old Southside neighborhood of downtown Indy. It will be very different than our church in Greenwood. For starters, the service will happen on Sunday night and it will be centered around a meal. That means instead of pews or theater seats, people will be seated at a table. When was the last time you invited someone over for a meal? What if good food and genuine fellowship has the ability to break down walls and open the door to meaningful ministry and service? I think that's something we should all try to discover soon because, according to Sara Harmeyer, people just want to be invited.



Chris Philbeck is senior pastor of Mount Pleasant Christian Church. You may email him at inquiry@mpccministry.com or call (317) 881-6727.



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Indiana Members Foundation Golf Outing raises over \$42,000

Charity - Indiana Members Foundation, the charitable arm of Indiana Members Credit Union (IMCU), hosted its 11th Annual Golf Outing at Valle Vista Golf Course on June 26. Pictured, left to right: Galinton Bryan, Executive Director, Northside Gastroenterology; Ron Collier, President and CEO, IMCU; Boomer, Indiana Pacers Mascot, Robert Martin, Chairman of the Board of Directors for IMCU, and Mike Murphy, Vice President, Business Services, IMCU. (Submitted photo.) There were 128 golfers in attendance for the sold-out event, which raised over \$42,000 to benefit the Indiana Mem-

bers Foundation, whose mission is to support children in the Indianapolis and surrounding communities through its scholarship and grant programs, which include the Robert E Martin Collegiate Scholarship Program, Mike & Marti Ney "People Helping People" Grant Program, The Terry Renick Legacy Golf Scholarship and Joan Wolfe Legacy Grant for the Arts. In addition, IMF will donate 5,000 backpacks filled with school supplies to Indy Backpack Attack School Supply Drive and similar back to school drives in the counties served by Indiana Members Credit Union.



Kopetsky Auto Wash breaks ground

Groundbreaking - The Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce and the city of Greenwood celebrated the future Kopetsky Auto Wash at 5865 State Road 135 with a groundbreaking ceremony July 12. The owners are Chief Operating Officer Austin Gore, Linda Kopetsky and B-Quest Investments. Pictured from left are: Chuck Aker of T&W Corp., Stacie Myers, Greenwood Mayor Mark Myers, Chief Operating Officer Austin Gore, Linda Kopetsky and Brenda Kopetsky.

Local residents named to University of Dayton Spring 2019 Dean's List

Academics - The following area residents earned a spot on the University of Dayton's Spring 2019 Dean's List, which honors undergraduate students achieving a minimum 3.5 GPA for the semester. Greenwood: Hannah Gahimer, Allison Mattingly, Hayley Phillips and Garrett Schura.

Greenwood's Parker Dales graduates from Carthage College

Academics - Parker Dales from Greenwood graduated from Carthage College on May 26, 2019. The formal send-off was held in the Field House of the N. E. Tarble Athletic and Recreation Center.

OBITUARIES

David D. Allen

David "Sonny" D. Allen, 82, died July 30, 2019 in Greenwood. He was born to the late David S. and Olga (Beck) Allen in Greenwood. On June 9, 1957 David married his high school sweetheart, Lois Stretchberry. David retired from BMG, formerly RCA. He was a member of Rocklane Christian Church for 52 years. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Tamra Anne Allen. David is survived by his wife of 62 years, Lois; two daughters, Dawna Money (Gary) and Shannon Meyer (John). He is also survived by one brother, Meredith Allen (Sarah Catherine); five grandchildren, Justin, Courtney, Anthony, Katie and Matthew; as well as four great-grandchildren. A funeral service was held Aug. 3 at Rocklane Christian Church, 4430 Rocklane Road, Greenwood, 46143. Burial followed in Rocklane Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Services & Crematory.

David A. Flint

David A. Flint, 44, of Greenwood, died July 25, 2019. Born June 25, 1975 in Torrence, CA, he served in the United States Army and the Indiana National Guard. He was currently pursuing his master's degree. Survivors include his wife, Marci (Pillard) Flint; his parents, Ralph Flint and Jean Laurenovics; his brother, Matthew (Renata) Flint; his sister, Sarah (Michael) Samsa; stepbrother, Karl (Angelica) Lorenovics; nieces and nephews, Jakob and Emma Flint and Ellie Lorenovics; his mother and father in-law, Warren & Sharon Pillard; sister-in-law, Stephanie (Brent) Range; and their children, Portland and Lila. Services were held Aug. 3 at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens of Olive Branch. Burial was in Keukuk National Cemetery.

John E. Helzer

John E. Helzer, 70, of Greenwood, died Aug. 7, 2019. He was born March 18, 1949 in Jeffersonville, IN to the late Henry E. and Annabelle E. Helzer. John was a member of Community Church of Greenwood. He enjoyed gardening and was an avid reader. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Sarah Dukes. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Carol L. Helzer; daughter, Amy Cuvelier; son in law, Shannon (Hannah) Dukes; grandchildren, Micah and Hannah Dukes; sister, Linda (Marty) Chastain; and nieces, Lindsey and Ashley Chastain. Services were held Aug. 12 at Community Church of Greenwood. Burial was in The Gardens at Olive Branch.

John Martin Lester

John Martin Lester, of Franklin died Aug. 5, 2019. He was born Jan. 13, 1947 in Perry, Iowa, one of four children born to Martin Paul and Dorothy Louise (Cotton) Lester. John earned a bachelor's degree in recreation from Indiana University and a master's degree in public administration from IUPUI. He was the owner of Lester Recreation Design LLC for 18 years; prior to that, he had been employed with Carmel-Clay Parks and Recreation Department in Carmel, IN as well as the Department of Parks and Recreation for the city of Indianapolis. He was also a member of the Christ United Methodist Church in Indianapolis. He was preceded in death by his parents. John is survived by his wife, Rebecca Zan Lester; his sons, James Lewis Lester and Christopher John Lester; his stepdaughters, Mary Christine Murphy and Cheryl Lynne (Steve) Kochenderfer; his grandchildren, Heather Lynn Murphy and Sean Andrew Murphy, as well as his siblings, Gwen E. (Da-

vid) Moore, Gene E. Lester and Joan M. Lester. Memorial services will be conducted at a future date at the convenience of the family.

Janet Martin

Janet Martin, 83, of Greenwood, died July 25, 2019. She was born Aug. 14, 1935 in Stockport, Ohio to the late Glenn and Catharine (Cheadle) Evans. Janet liked to play Euchre and was a member of the Red Hat Society. She was preceded in death by her husband of 45 years, Richard A. Martin on Jan. 14, 2002; and two sisters, Lorena Calendine and Martha Moberly. Survivors include her children, Tammy L. Martin, Greg A. Martin (Tammy), Brad Martin (Yvonne), Karen Martin Smyth; former son-in-law, Paul Smyth; six grandchildren, Brittany Martin (Ryan Brechtel), Dan Smyth, Justin Martin, Blair Roembke (Andrew), Kyle Martin and Drew Smyth (Tori Yohler); three great-grandchildren, Brantley Martin, Raelynn Mills and Kaiden Yohler. Services were held July 29 at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch. She was buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

George E. Nigro

George E. Nigro, 74, of Greenwood, died Aug. 7, 2019. He was born Oct. 22, 1944 in Boston to Dante and Mary Nigro. He graduated from the vocational high school in Everett, MA, and retired as a facilities director for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He is survived by his brother, Daniel (Glenda) Nigro. All services will be private.

Jan Marie Pangallo

Jan Marie Pangallo, 55, of Greenwood, died July 29, 2019. Born Oct. 21, 1963 in Indianapolis, she was a 1982 Center Grove High School graduate. She worked at Eli Lilly & Company for 21 years, recently as a senior clinical trial project management assistant. She was preceded in death by her father, James A. List; infant son, Michael Joseph Pangallo; maternal grandparents, Frances & Albert Whisenand & Walter Duncan; and paternal grandparents, Marie & Homer List. Survivors include her mother, Judy K. (Duncan) List; two daughters, Jenna Johnson (Matthew) and Alyssa Barnekow (David); four grandchildren, Lydia Black, Madison Johnson, Mikayla Johnson and Leo Barnekow; siblings, Jim List (Julie), Julie Warweg (Chad) and Jeff List (Stephanie); former spouse, James (Lori) Pangallo; and many nieces and nephews. The mass of Christian burial was held Aug. 2 at St. Jude Catholic Church. She was buried in Calvary Cemetery. G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens of Olive Branch handled the arrangements. The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to Community South Cancer Center, the Community Hospital Hospice and the family and friends for their prayers, concerns and acts of kindness during her cancer battle.

David Anthony Parestich

David Anthony Parestich, 79, of Greenwood, died July 26, 2019. Born June 16, 1940 in Chicago to the late Frank and Rose (Cent) Parestich, he was a veteran of the U.S. Army. David worked for more than 30 years for Milestone Construction. He was preceded in death by a sister, Geraldine Monteilh. Survivors include his wife of more than 57 years, Beth Ann Parestich; children, Mark (Susan) Par-

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setich, Anita (Ronald) Martin, Jim (Beth) Parsetich and Matt (Christie) Parsetich; grandchildren, Brooke Crawford, Sage and Noah Parsetich, Aleks Parsetich, Cameron (Julie) Martin and Cory (Jamie) Martin; and great-grandchildren, Myah, Trey, Reese, Isabelle, Alexis, Zion and Isaiah Martin. Services were held Aug. 1 at Mt. Pleasant Christin Church.

Jimmy Lee Pittman

Jimmy Lee Pittman, 59, of Greenwood, died Aug. 5, 2019. All services are private. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to The Cremation Society of Indiana, 4115 S. Shelby St., Indianapolis, IN 46227.

E. Pauline Sheeks

E. Pauline (Mitchell) Sheeks, 91, died July 28, 2019. She was born Dec. 5, 1927 in Hancock County, TN, to Luther and Lillie (Lawson) Mitchell. She graduated from high school in Sneedville, TN in 1946. She graduated from East Tennessee State University with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. In 1948 her parents sold their Tennessee farm and bought a farm in Orleans, Indiana. She married William "Bill" Sheeks on July 8, 1950. After 1961 they moved to Greenwood, where Pauline taught third grade at Center Grove for 24 years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; a brother, Jack; her sister, Wilma (Jim) Skeen; and her son, Donald. Survivors include a daughter, Dianna (Allan) Bennis; a son, Richard (Christine) Sheeks; four grandchildren, Chad Bennis, Brooke (Steve) Monahan, Billy Bennis and Kelsey (Blake) Bylsma; six great-grandchildren, Naia, Jonah, Aaron, Graham, Bailey and Sylvie; and her brother, Paul (Joanie) Mitchell. The last years at The Hearth of Stones Crossing gave her many new friends. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home, 1605 S. State Road 135, Greenwood.

Barbara L. Sida

Barbara L. Sida, 78, of Indianapolis, died July 25, 2019 Barb was born in Indianapolis on Aug. 4, 1940 to the late Henry and Mary (Engle) Simon. On Oct. 5, 1963 she married Joseph L. Sida; he preceded her in death. Barb was a member of Our Lady of the Greenwood Catholic Church. She retired as a billing specialist from Meridian I.Q Logistics in Indianapolis. She is also preceded in death by her siblings, Charles Simon, Frances Simon, Janet Helft and Jerry Simon. Survivors include her four children, Joe (Sherri) Sida, Angie (Jon) Adams, Michelle (Jay) Payne and Kevin (Heather) Sida; her grandchildren, Kelsey Sida, Ian, Andrew and Nicholas Adams, Tanner, Tucker and Jackson Payne, Keegan and Zoey Sida; and her siblings, Carole DeCapua, Mary Jo Ray, Linda Simon, Ellen Sharp, Joe, Jim, Tom and David Simon and Cathy Jacobs. A celebration of the life of Barbara Sida was held July 28 in the Daniel F. O'Riley Funeral Home. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.



Mary Ann Spicer

Mary Ann Spicer of Greenwood died July 31, 2019. She was 90. She was born March 22, 1929 in Greenwood, one of seven children born to the late Joseph L. and Flossie M. (McCormick) Totten. Mary attend-

ed Greenwood High School and graduated in 1947. She had worked for 10 years for the Brouger Insurance Agency of Indianapolis as a data entry clerk before retiring in 1992. She was also a member of LifePoint Community Church. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in passing by her husband of nearly 60 years, Philip M. Spicer; four brothers and a sister. Mary is survived by her daughters, Carol (Mike) Allen and Annette Spicer; her grandchildren, Erin Sparks, Sara Allen and Kari (Shahn) Riley; her five great-grandchildren; and her sister, Martha Holeman; as well as several nieces and nephews. A celebration of life service was held Aug. 6 at the LifePoint Community Church, 8540 Combs Road, Indianapolis with Pastor Jym Gregory officiating. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mary Ann Whitaker

Mary Ann Whitaker, 88, died Aug. 8, 2019. Mary Ann was born Oct. 13, 1933 in Johnson County, IN. She was a homemaker who enjoyed doing puzzles and gardening flowers. Survivors include her husband of 68 years, Howard Whitaker; four children, Howard Whitaker, Jr. (Susie), Terry Forbes (Ron), Tammy Whitaker and Clay Whitaker (Nancy); granddaughter, Heather Muse (Cory); great-grandchildren, Ariel, Seth, Levi and Daniel; and one great-great-grandchild, Kori. Funeral services for Mary Ann were held Aug. 12 at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory, Greenwood Chapel. Mary was buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

Stephen White

Stephen "Steve" White, 65, of Bargersville, IN, died July 31, 2019. He was born March 4, 1954 in Indianapolis to the late Thurman C. White and Willa Dean McCombs. Steve had many hobbies: drag racing, working on cars, boating, fishing, going to the horse track and teaching his daughters how to drive. He is preceded in death by his stepfather, Mac McCombs; uncle, Larry Farley; nephew, Todd Skaggs; and granddaughter, Jenna Debruler. Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Cheryl White; daughters, Sherry Arnold, Heather (James) Coghill and Michelle (Chris) ReynoldsDebruler; grandchildren, Wesley, Katie, Matthew, Abbie, Avalee, Myla, Maylin and Ravynn; and sisters, Becky Owens and Vicki Heron. Funeral arrangements are entrusted with G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens of Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Road 135.

William Allen Wingham

William "Bill" Allen Wingham, 91, died July 31, 2019. He was born Sept. 1, 1927 in Napoleon, Indiana. Bill was a civil service engineer for the federal government, retiring from Fort Benjamin Harrison. He was a veteran of World War II, serving his country in the Army Air Corps. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Emma Eleanor Wingham; a son, Mark Wingham; and granddaughter, Kate Oxley. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Buckalew-Wingham; daughters, Mary (Jim) Oxley and Jill (Rich) Miller; a sister, Judy Hicks; grandchildren, Olivia (Craig) Reed, Daniel (Carly) Wingham, Hannah Miller and Ryne Miller; great-grandchildren, Isabella Reed, Ian Reed, Noah Reed, Kate Reed, Stella Reed and Lincoln Wingham; and his best friend and companion, Marley. Services were held Aug. 5 at the First Baptist Church of Greenwood, 99 W. Main St., Greenwood, IN., 46142. Arrangements were handled by Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care, 7520 Madison Ave., Indianapolis.

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Responding to the sound of music

Retired music teacher volunteers with 'friendly' and 'welcoming' ISO South Group

By Nancy Price

Rita Martin has centered her life around music for as long as she can remember.

"Some of my earliest memories are of how enjoyable it was to sing," said Martin, who grew up in Meridian, MS. She also began taking piano lessons in third grade and decided to major in music at Anderson University (then Anderson College), where she met her husband, Jim.

"Our romance began when we played opposite each other in a college production of 'Brigadoon,'" she said.

Martin's career has included serving as an organist in churches where her husband was a music minister, giving piano lessons in her home studio and teaching music in public schools at the elementary level for 25 years. She taught in Washington, Perry and Lawrence townships, as well as Texas, where she and her family lived for seven years.

After retiring, she and Jim moved to Greenwood in 2007 to be closer to her son and his family. "I only knew three people," she said. Channeling her love of music with a desire to serve and connect with others in the community, she joined the South Group of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra Association (ISOA).

"The South Group turned out to be not only people who love music, but a friendly and welcoming group who thrive on volunteering," she said. "We also assist in money-raising events for the ISO and in activities that allow students to experience orchestral music, perhaps for the first time in their lives."

What is your greatest virtue? I recognize the importance of demonstrating to people that you care about them. That can begin with more smiles and words of appreciation. Caring about other people can often lead to becoming involved in deeper humanitarian causes that make the world a better place.

What upsets you? It upsets me to see people being rude or unkind. That kind of behavior is totally unnecessary!

What do you like best about Center Grove? I like the variety of neighborhoods, the friendliness of the people and having access to shopping. It's also great to be able to drive a few miles and be in the middle of farmland.

What are your favorite Southside eateries? Arni's Restaurant and The Cheesecake Factory offers a lot of variety in their menus. I wish there were more restaurants that were open at lunch for groups of eight to 10, especially women's groups who enjoy a nicely served meal with a little more ambiance.

If you had to live anywhere else in the Metro Indianapolis area, where would it be? We lived on the northeast side of Indianapolis during the years our son was growing up, from preschool through his graduation from Lawrence Central. I also taught in Lawrence Township for 16 years. The area has great restaurants and shopping within 10 minutes in any direction.

If money were no issue, how would you spend it? I would spend more time traveling. There are so many wonderful places to see in this country and around the world. Jim and I have visited almost every state. Some of our favorite places in the U.S. were the national parks in Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota and the state of Washington. Other trips took us to Nova Scotia and cruises in Europe to the Mediterranean and the Baltic.

What makes you happiest? Being with family and friends makes me happiest. I love being with our son, daughter-in-law and the grandchildren. We enjoy great times having meals together and playing games around our kitchen table. When the grandchildren were younger, we had fun taking them to the Children's Museum, to "Jingle Rails" at the Indiana State Museum and in the fall to Apple Works in Trafalgar. During the Christmas season we took them to the Indianapolis Symphony's Yuletide Celebration. Now they are very involved in soccer and basketball, so we like to be there to cheer them on! Other fun family times are when my two sisters, one from Ohio and the other from Mississippi, along with their husbands, have joined Jim and I for several trips together. In the last few years we've

gone to Hilton Head, SC, Gulf Shores, AL and this summer to the Amish country in northern Indiana. The conversation is great, especially as we share funny family memories.

What is your favorite vacation spot? We have spent a week in Gulf Shores, AL almost every year for the past 10 years. There's nothing any more relaxing than watching and hearing the ocean. The worries just fade away! The Gulf Shores/Orange Beach area has some of the best seafood anywhere. Our favorite times to go there are October or late April when the crowds are gone, but the weather is warm.

What do you do with idle time? I have been an avid reader since childhood when my mother took me to the public library every week. During my years of teaching, there was never enough time to read as much as I wished. In retirement I have enjoyed having more time to read for pleasure, and I visit the White River Library every couple of weeks. I am also in a monthly book club with six other women, all former teachers, who share a love of reading. Some books that I found to be very interesting in the last few months were, *Where the Crawdads Sing*, *America's First Daughter*, *My Name Is Resolute* and *Educated*. Jan Karon's books, *The Mitford Series*, provide

a setting and delightful characters that make you feel like you are living there with them.

What would you change about our culture if you could? I would like to see people learn to have more empathy. We seem to live in a culture now where people focus on themselves and often have little concern about the rest of society. It's important for us to learn better how to reach out, listen and be willing to go the extra mile to improve our culture. At Amy Beverland Elementary School, where I taught for 16 years, our students were expected to learn and live by the lifelong guidelines of truth, trust, active listening, no put-downs and personal best. Sounds like a good philosophy for people of all ages.

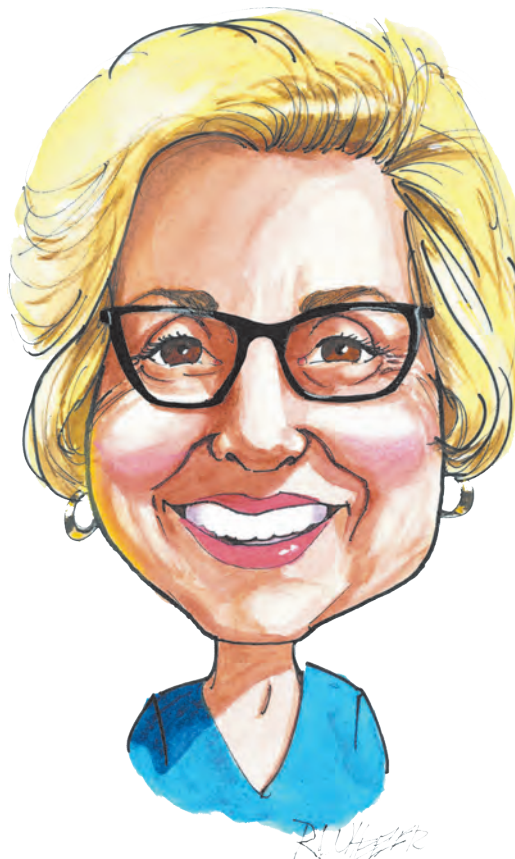
How do you escape from reality? I like to watch television programs that take me to a different time and place. *Masterpiece Theater* on PBS has had a number of series like *Downton Abbey*, which are particularly interesting to me. Reading historical fiction is another one of my ways to escape reality.

Which living person in Center Grove do you most admire? Rhoda Johnson is someone whom many people would name as a person they most admire. She has been a member of the South Group of ISOA for more than 50 years and was my neighbor in Heron Ridge prior to moving to Greenwood Village a few months ago. Rhoda is a very outgoing and caring leader wherever she is involved. She is a retired realtor and has been quite active in St. John's Church of Christ for many years. I tell her she is my hero because she is a truly inspirational person.

What quality do you admire most in another person? What do you value in your friends? Some qualities I admire in people, particularly friends, are being good listeners, being lighthearted and trust. I'm grateful to be blessed with good friends, some of whom go back more than 50 years. Six of us have a "birthday girls" group that meets for lunch for each person's birthday. Our friendship goes back to Anderson College days. Another group of 10 women friends on the Southside meets monthly for lunch and conversation.

What is your greatest extravagance? I'll have to say, I do enjoy my chocolate. One of my favorite desserts is a chocolate cake recipe, which was given to me by a good friend's mother before Jim and I were married 52 years ago!

Is there a special talent you really wish you had? I wish I had learned to draw or paint. It seems that it would be very satisfying to look at a lovely scene in nature and be able to reproduce it on a canvas.





Greenwood Subaru Dealer steers to Cancer Center with donations for patients

Donation - Representatives from the Greenwood, Indiana-based auto dealer Dreyer & Reinbold Subaru recently visited the Franciscan Health Cancer Center to deliver 80 blankets to be distributed to patients. From left, Lori Morrison (LLS), Cody Stulley, Eric Kett (both of Dreyer & Reinbold), Dr. John Edwards, Theresa Weisenbach and Michelle Nees. The Dreyer

& Reinbold team also brought 30 art activity kits for the children whose parents are undergoing bone marrow and stem cell transplants. The donations are part of the "Loves to Care" program, a health-focused initiative of Subaru's national philanthropic platform. The blankets will be presented to patients undergoing treatment at the Franciscan Health Indiana Blood & Marrow Transplantation (IBMT) unit. John Edwards, MD, an IBMT physician; Michelle Nees, program coordinator; and Theresa Weisenbach, RN, cancer services nursing director, were on hand for the presentation.

Greenwood's Parker Dales graduates from Carthage College

Academics - Parker Dales from Greenwood graduated from Carthage College on May 26, 2019. The formal send-off was held in the Field House of the N. E. Tarble Athletic and Recreation Center.

Greenwood residents named to Ashland University's Dean's List

Academics - Sabrina Maristela and Matthew Reising, 2016 graduates of Center Grove High School, have been named to the Ashland University's Spring 2019 Dean's List. Maristela is majoring in political science, political economy and Spanish. Reising is majoring in history, political science and philosophy.



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Former Denver Broncos player Rick Upchurch told *The Denver Post* in March 2016 that he began using CBD during chemotherapy treatments to relieve nausea symptoms. Former NFL quarterback Jake Plummer turned to CBD oil two years ago in an effort to help support healthy cartilage and joint function after undergoing several hip surgeries. He has since become a strong proponent for CBD research and founded Athletes For Care, a non-profit organization that focuses on alternative treatment options for athletes.

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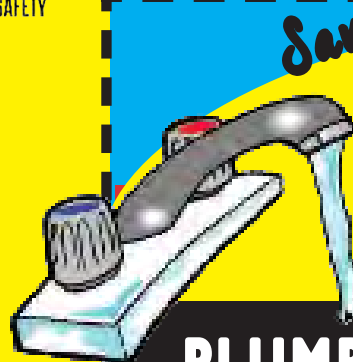
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