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Pictured are several golf outing particpants, from left: Jerry Krider, Monique Krider, Chantelle Sparks and Tom Dunn.

#### IMF raises more than \$31,000 at golf event

Philanthropic - Indiana Members Foundation, the charitable arm of Indiana Members Credit Union (IMCU), hosted its 10th Annual Golf Outing at Valle Vista Golf Course, 755 East Main St., Greenwood, on June 27. There were 112 golfers in attendance at the sold-out event, which raised over \$31,000 to benefit the Indiana Members Foundation, whose mission is to

support children in the Indianapolis and surrounding communities through the Joan Wolfe Legacy Grant Program, Indy BackPack Attack School Supply Drive and local non-profits that serve youth in the communities in which Indiana Members Credit Union Serves. Highlights of the day included a complimentary breakfast, a photo booth and corn hole, as well as a recognition dinner. Quality Service Installation (QSI) served as the Title Sponsor of the event.

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#### **HISTORY & ARCHITECTURE**

#### CGHS class of '68 reunites, shares memories

#### By Jeff Beck

Recently I was invited to provide a tour of Center Grove High School and attend the reunion of the class of 1968, our 50th graduation celebration. Although I quickly accepted the offer to guide the tour, I had to decline the reunion gathering. My friends I graduated with still live in the community. One of them lives in southern Indiana. I am still in awe of my classmates going on to become professionals, business owners, military members and willing to seek life both in and out of Johnson County. It's interesting to listen and learn from friends who became travelers but always remembered their educational roots.

I must admit, I have not seen or talked with most of the 142 classmates I graduated with since high school days, yet we all have changed. Could it be that I have seen them but did not recognize them? The CGHS walking tour lasted two hours. The tour group was asked to meet at the Hall of Excellence at the east entrance of the school due to construction at the main entrance of CGHS. I shared the entrance location and door number (remember 50 years have passed) and used the old football field as a landmark.

Twenty-five graduates and a few spouses began to arrive for a mid-afternoon tour. I greeted those walking up to the meeting location, honestly trying to figure out who they were; the adults looked lost and amazed. I recognized the class reunion organizer as a friend from church and an honored cross-county runner for CGHS. I saw a mother of a friend; she had worked at CG Elementary (there was only one elementary school at the time) as a secretary to the principal. I recognized one lady from Bargersville; as they shared their names, my memory came back: "Yes, you lived on Travis Road, my parents picked you and your brother up on Sundays for church and Vacation Bible School; your father was an elementary teacher at CG." I seldom share names, just my practice.

Time to start the tour: As we en-



Jeff Beck held a walking tour through CGHS as part of a 50th reunion with his former classmates. (Submitted photo)

tered the Hall of Excellence, the group started to ask questions about the west gym, football field and auditorium. Are 32 credits still needed to graduate? etc. As I walked and talked, I tried my best to provide answers to those questions being asked with interest and quickness; there were many separate conversations. I explained that CGHS was now divided into disciplines; students used to attend one or two math classes; now there might be five or six, with different levels of learning. College courses are now offered, in addition to courses about the arts. There are more independent and small groups and more laptops than books.

Group attendees found themselves lost; the building is massive compared to our years attending in the '60s. They enjoyed the visit to the west gym; one of my classmates had been a Girls Athletic Association (GAA) member; she began a cheer. The group looked up to find an old band room (currently used as a utility equipment area) at the south entrance; they talked about pep band and basketball teams coming out of the tunnel. The tunnel was remembered as a dark area in the '60s leading outside of the high school building; on the east side, we attended industrial arts and agriculture classes; the football field was used for PE. One of my classmates recalled running up the steep steps before going outside in rain and snow. The tour continued to what classmates remembered as the main entrance and home of the administrative offices and the high school's southside entrance, which currently leads to the sports office. Counseling, discipline and school event tickets were obtained in the main offices. We walked east to the former library and home room classroom, turning left to the English, science, math and foreign language classes. The floor tile seemed familiar as the old section of the building became clear to former classmates; the memories and conversations flowed quickly.

The student activity center was very impressive to the '68 graduates. The practice area and weight room were connected to Vandermeer Gymnasium; there is good use of space and it is safe and convenient. There were questions about the sports photos on the wall; why were there no band/choir/academic or alumni photos? Are the debutantes still active? The class of '68 tour group was happy to see information highlighted in the Hall of Excellence for non-sport honors. The questions provided an opportunity to share

information about CG alumni and friends, keeping graduates connected and helping schools along with the CG Education Foundation and CGS archives.

The group was interested in seeing their class photos and others that still hang on the wall near the main high school entrance. The CGHS seal is embedded in the floor across from the class group photos, along with four pillars representing each class; we discussed this and enjoyed the conversation. There was a media area with cold healthy drinks, healthy snacks and a coffee bar area for relaxing and studying; the tour attendees were surprised by this, as it was a major change from their library of the '60s.

Our tour time quickly ended and we attended a pitch-in dinner at the home of a classmate. The weekend was busy yet rewarding and full for memories for the '68 graduates. Many travelled great distances to attend the reunion. One graduate said he would see me at the 75th reunion. The tour at that reunion would have to be conducted by someone able to push my wheelchair (and probably theirs as well). I will be 104 if I am able to attend our 75th high school class reunion.

The group invites CGHS graduates, staff etc. to meet and share photos and memories at local restaurants. Graduates keep in touch with Facebook and often have individual monthly class gatherings at the local watering hole. I guess I should learn Facebook (I have resisted as I'm still old school).

In closing, my hope is that someone in the community continues to write and retain our history, especially that of CGS. WRT has so much to offer and is rapidly changing, which must be documented. Please remember to date and sign photos, papers and other historical documents.



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.



Luke Boha. (Submitted photo)

#### THE BOHA FILE

**NAME: Luke Boha** 

SPORT: Soccer

**YEAR:** Senior

EXPERIENCE:

Four-year varsity player, three-year starter

**AGE: 18** 

COLLEGE PLANS:

Still considering options but plans to study pre-med

#### HOBBIES/INTERESTS:

Fishing, being outdoors, spending time with friends

FAVORITE TV SHOW: SportsCenter

FAVORITE MOVIE:

Remember the Titans

PARENTS:

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#### **Athlete of the Month**

Luke Boha =

#### By Rick Morwick

When Luke Boha talks about winning state championships, it isn't just talk.

He speaks from experience.

Four years ago, he was the only fulltime varsity freshman on Center Grove High School's state championship boy soccer team.

A three-year starting midfielder, Boha expects the Trojans to make yet another run at the state title.

"I am very excited to get into it," Boha said of the 2018 season, which began Aug. 11. "If we play as a team and everyone works hard, I feel like we can make a deep run into the state tournament and have a good chance to win the whole thing."

Whatever success the Trojans enjoy, Boha will likely be a major reason why.

A multi-skilled player whose exceptional conditioning is matched only by his is soccer acumen, Boha is a statistical and emotional leader who the Trojans lean on for a variety of contributions.

"Luke does not have many weaknesses," fourth-year coach Jameson McLaughlin said. "His strengths are his endurance and his intelligence. He is able to play nearly the whole game without getting tired in a position that essentially covers the whole field.

"He is an extremely intelligent and unselfish player and makes the right decisions in games that puts us in a position to win."

Putting in the Trojans in favorable positions and setting an aggressive tone are always his objectives.

"I try to bring toughness and energy to the team and also work to lead the team through my actions," Boha said. "My role is to provide senior leadership, on and off the field, and be level-headed in all situations while also letting my play speak for itself."

A virtual lifelong player, Boha has a vivid recollection of his introduction to soccer.

"When I was 3, my family would drive past the South Central Soccer Academy fields and I would look out the car window and see all the kids out playing and wonder why I couldn't play," he said. "Shortly after that, my parents signed me up and I have stuck with it for the next 15 years."

An honors student, Boha is still mulling over his college plans. He is unsure if he will play soccer but does plan to study pre-med wherever he enrolls.

But for the time being, he has unfinished business with the Trojans.

"Our season has a very positive outlook," Boha said. "Our team goals are to win the MIC (Metropolitan Interscholastic Conference), win state and leave a lasting impact on our program."

In many ways, Boha already has.

"Luke brings leadership, intelligence and an overall sense of calmness to the team," McLaughlin said. "Luke leads by example in practice and in games with his work ethic and demeanor. He never gets rattled, no matter the situation, which helps our team stay calm in tough situations.

"He is also always willing to help players in our program, either on the field or off."

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#### 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!

One of the founders of WAMMfest, Joyce Nies, has a favorite album from an '80s musician. Who is this famous singer, performing in Noblesville the same night as WAMMfest?

- A. Madonna
- **B.** Belinda Carlisle
- C. George Michael
- D. Rod Stewart

Which elementary school in Johnson County does Nikki Purdue, ICON of the Month, teach?

- A. Center Grove
- ☐ B. Pleasant Crossing
- ☐ C. Maple Grove
- D. North Grove

How many Storage Express facilities are there across five states?

- **A.** 56
- **□ B.** 107 **□ C.** 89
- **D.** 73

4 What is the name of the kolache created by Greenwood resident, Doug Bumbalough?

- ☐ A. Yes, Please (Mac-n-Cheese)
- B. Curry Chicken
- C. Country Fried Steak
- D. Veggie Delight

What does this month's Athlete of the Month, Luke Boha, plan to study in college?

- ☐ A. Pre-med
- ☐ B. Sports management
- ☐ C. Education
- D. Law



SEE ANSWERS ON PAGE 27.

# RETURN OF THE WAMMfest

Center Grove founders look to bring Greenwood's best in wine, art, music and microbrewing



**By Jeremy Dunn** 

In 2006, the Sertoma Club of Greenwood gave birth to an idea. The 40-member club, with a focus on serving mankind through fundraising and giving back to the community, was brainstorming ideas for an event that would appeal to the greater Greenwood community unlike anything that had ever been done before. Johnson County attorney and club member John Reames recalled, "A member mentioned that aside from the Freedom Festival, organized by the city, no civic organization had put together a community festival. We knew that such an idea would need approval and cooperation of a num-



Top left, grilled hamburgers are always a popular choice at WAMMfest. | Bottom left, after walking around in the heat, festivalgoers are in the mood for Kona Ice. | Center, WAMMfest's founders look to bring in some of the biggest local names in wine, microbrewing, art and music. | Top right, what would a summer festival be without funnel cakes? | Bottom right, the annual festival has numerous food trucks for every taste bud. (Photos by Darlene Harrison of Harrison Creative Services, Inc.)

ber of city government agencies."

Soon Reames, attorney Joyce Nies and retail banker Jeff Goben, all Center Grove residents, were appointed to seek the approval of then Greenwood Mayor Charlie Henderson, the parks board and department, along with police and fire departments, for a festival that would offer something for almost any resident of the city. The trio's pitch... WAMMfest.

#### Not a 'Careless Whisper'

Do not let the name fool you: WAMMfest is not an '80s pop revival with George Michael and Andrew Ridgeley, founders of the band Wham!, urging Greenwood residents to "wake me up before you go-go" and not "leave me hanging on like a yo-yo." Instead, the Sertoma Club trio of Goben, Nies and Reames envisioned a festival that would embrace Greenwood's very best in wine, art, music and microbrewing. The concept won over city leaders and this August, WAMMfest will celebrate its 10th year in Greenwood.

Nies, a former president of the Sertoma Club, said, "I have heard attendees describe WAMMfest as a big block party. I know people come every year and whether they internalize it as such, I believe being there gives them a sense of community." Reames added, "WAMMfest was

conceived as a festival that has something to interest everyone. I think Greenwood has come to look forward to it annually."

#### Big bucks, no whammies

In the 1980s, the game show Press Your Luck had contestants hoping to land "big bucks" and avoid "whammies." However, since its inaugural event in 2008, WAMMfest has raised over \$700,000 for the Sertoma Club of Greenwood to donate back to community organizations.

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# 5 Questions with the founders of WAMMfest: Jeff Goben, Joyce Nies and John Reames

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN LIVING IN THE CENTER GROVE COMMUNITY AND WHAT DREW YOU TO IT? WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PART ABOUT LIVING IN CENTER GROVE?

**GOBEN:** I have lived in the Center Grove area for 46 years and I have been a member of the Sertoma Club of Greenwood for almost 32 years. The Center Grove area has lots to offer from a great school system, churches, shopping and entertainment but most of all we like the friendly people.

**NIES:** 16 years. We moved into this area when we built a new home. We live close to our grandchildren.

**REAMES:** 26 years. Center Grove is inviting and friendly, and the school system is beyond

great. It is a great place to run a business and raise a family. My wife and I had many friends that lived in the area those many years ago and we wanted to be a part of it.

IF YOU COULD ONLY LISTEN TO ONE ALBUM FOR THE NEXT YEAR, WHAT WOULD YOU PICK AND WHY?

**GOBEN:** I'm old school, so it would have to be The Beatles, as I grew up with their music.

NIES: Everyone will groan but I used to come home on Friday night after a long work week and mix an adult beverage and put on Rod Stewart. I don't think I could listen to that one album for an entire year, and by the way, he is in concert on the day of WAMMfest and I will be missing Rod. I've really gotten into Country and like Kelsea Ballerini, Luke Bryan and Florida Georgia Line.

**REAMES:** Tough question. I'm a Beatles, Chicago and Eagles fanatic. "Rubber Soul" is a classic. If I had to choose one that would

probably be it. Although if you asked me next week, my answer might be "Chicago Transit Authority", Chicago's first album, or "Hotel California."

IT IS FRIDAY NIGHT AND YOU ARE RELAXING.
WHAT DRINK WOULD BE FOUND IN YOUR HAND?

GOBEN: You will usually find my wife and I having dinner at the bar at Stone Creek on Friday nights. Most likely, in the summer I'd be sipping on a gin and tonic and in the winter a scotch and water.

**NIES:** My signature drink is an Absolut Mandarin and diet tonic with an orange slice.

**REAMES:** Probably a margarita. Friday night tends to be our night for Mexican food.

4 GOBEN: I love the creativity of the various artists. Last year, we had an artist that made various things out of cigar boxes. I personally can't draw a straight line with a

ruler, so the creativity the various artists have make me appreciate their great talents.

**NIES:** I like the impressionist oil or acrylic. It's dreamlike... not quite in focus with more than one possible story.

**REAMES:** Music in general is my favorite form of art. My mother had a beautiful operatic kind of voice. I remember as a kid walking home for lunch from school and hearing her singing to her own piano playing from the sidewalk in front of our house. That is one of my fondest memories. She is, more than anyone, responsible.

WHAT IS THE BEST ADVICE YOU HAVE EVER RECEIVED?

**GOBEN:** Every day is a gift, so live life to the fullest.

**NIES:** This too shall pass.

**REAMES:** Even if you aren't religious, it's still pretty hard to beat the golden rule.

**WAMMfest** continued from page 6.

Recently, the club's offerings have contributed to Greenwood's first Splash Pad and City Center Park at 415 Lincoln St.

The popular festival does not look to slow down in 2018, with its founding trio looking to bring in some of the biggest local names in wine, art, music and microbrewing. Goben shared in the excitement. "We have various members of our club that chair the different committees. With this being our 10th anniversary of WAMMfest, we have established a wonderful event that artists and vendors want to be a part of and we are very proud of that," he said.

Some of this year's vendors include local powerhouses Mallow Run Winery, Centerpoint Brewing Company, Mashcraft Brewery, Oaken Barrel Brewery, Sun King Brewery and Taxman Brewing. There will be numerous food trucks and local eateries looking to entice attendees' taste buds, while the music scene will also be well represented as the sounds of Exit 99, Blue River Band, Toy Factory, Woomblies Rock Orchestra, The Spazmatics and Hairbangers Ball plan to rock Craig Park.

Reames believes the festival's success over the past 10 years has caught the attention of vendors and performers across Indianapolis. "Originally, we went looking (for vendors and acts)," he said. "Anymore, by and large, they're coming looking for us."

#### **Bring on WAMMfest**

The Sertoma Club of Greenwood will host this year's WAMMfest on Saturday, Aug. 18 from 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. at Craig Park. Goben feels the festival's communication with club members and vendors will lead to another successful event. "We always brainstorm with our club members immediately after the annual event. We determine what we need to do to improve the event so it will continue to be the best of the best. We value the suggestions of the vendors and patrons and if they have a suggestion that improves WAMMfest, we implement it," he said.

Nies is interested to see how one of those suggestions helps with the large expected crowds this year. "This year, we are locating the microbreweries and wineries all together under large tents. We have received feedback from some of those vendors in the past encouraging us to do that as it is done at other beer/wine festivals. I am looking forward to see how this works and if our attendees embrace it or not," she said.

Tickets are available for \$15 in advance at any Ray Skillman location, Greenwood Public Library, Greenwood Community Center, all Johnson County Horizon branch locations and the Citizens Bank County Line branch. Children under the age of 12 will be free and tickets can also be purchased for \$20 at the gates.

#### Best of the best

When asked if WAMMfest truly represents the best that the Southside community has to offer, the festival's founding trio stood confident in their answers. "Absolutely," Reames replied. Nies added, "Definitely. No other festival combines all of those for the purpose of fundraising. We try to enlighten attendees to that fact. Please help us remind people of what the profits from WAMMfest have done for the community. It's so much more than having fun." Goben concluded, "WAMMfest just keeps getting better and better each year based on the great reputation we have established and the commitment we have to providing a great event. It's truly a first-class event."

While you may not be greeted by the upbeat pop anthem, "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go", this WAMMfest has a little something for everyone. Most importantly, as Nies attested to, the reaches of this event reach far beyond a Saturday of fun in the park. This festival makes a difference. This festival gives back to the local community.

THIS is WAMMfest.





Left, John Reames, Joyce Nies and Jeff Goben, all Center Grove residents, started WAMMfest 10 years ago. | Right, the Sertoma Club of Greenwood is a 40-member club that serves through fundraising and giving back to the community. (Photos by Darlene Harrison of Harrison Creative Services, Inc.)

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President and CEO of the Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce, Christian Maslowski, right, won the Indiana Chamber Executive of the Year award at the Indiana Chamber Executives Association's (ICEA) annual conference held recently in Indianapolis. (Photo by Donna Rice Photography)

#### Maslowski named Indiana Chamber Executive of Year

**FEATURE** 

**By Nancy Price** 

The Indiana Chamber Executives Association (ICEA) has named Christian Maslowski, president and CEO of the Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce, the 2018 Executive of the Year.

Maslowski, no stranger in the chamber community, has been with the Greater Greenwood Chamber for 11 years. ICEA chooses the winner based on criteria including a minimum of three years on the job, a demonstration of exemplary performance and leadership and demonstrated ability to lead changes at the local chamber level.

"Christian serves as the ideal candidate for this recognition," said Shelli Williams, IOM, ICEA president. "He goes above-and-beyond with a willingness to help peers succeed. Peers across Indiana have great respect for what Christian brings to the profession."

Maslowski, who said he was "beyond flattered and surprised", did not even know he was up for the award until attending a recent ICEA conference held in Indianapolis. "My name was read as a finalist and I had no further expectation (of winning). I give gratitude to my board of directors and staff team."

As president and CEO, Maslowski focuses

on community relationships and public policy efforts. In late 2016, the Greater Greenwood Chamber forged a relationship with Business Ownership Initiative of Indiana (BOI). The BOI offers free business coaching and microlending, business workshops and online business courses. "They come alongside you and make sure you're accessible," Maslowski said.

Maslowski said he has seen more diversity, an expansion of small businesses and a growing caliber of talent joining the chamber. In addition, he gives credit to his local chamber team's innovation, drive and success. "They put members first and they support me," he said. "We enjoy one another's camaraderie.

"We live and work in a dynamic, vibrant area on the southside. This allows me and our team to be innovative, be flexible and have fun."

On July 26, a fun event the chamber is hosting is the annual Chamber Golf Classic, which includes meals, games and prizes. The social/networking event will be held at Dye's Walk Country Club in Greenwood. For more information, go to greenwoodchamber.com.

Maslowski is married to Michelle, an attorney for Ogletree Deakins in Indianapolis. Christian and Michelle have two daughters: Gabriella, 6 and Ainsley, 7 months.

# **Greenwood class teaches** basics of U.S. Constitution

FEATURE

**By Nancy Price** 

For those tired and frustrated with fake news and want to learn how to find the truth, understand their rights and what our founding fathers intended when they wrote the Constitution, an upcoming Greenwood class may be the answer.

Mike Laurenzano, First Vice Chairman of The Indiana Constitution Party, is holding a free class in September based on the book, The Founding Fathers Guide to the Constitution, by Brion McClanahan, PhD. Attendees of the class will learn how the founding generation intended for Americans to interpret and apply the Constitution, how it was designed to protect the rights of states, why Congress was meant to be the dominant branch of government and more.

Nick Frecker, a member of the Indiana



Mike Laurenzano, First Vice Chairman of The Indiana Constitution Party, will be holding a class on Sept. 8 in Greenwood based on the book, The Founding Fathers Guide to the Constitution. (Submitted photo)

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Constitution Party and resident of northwest Indianapolis, first began the class in Zionsville in February.

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"Nick liked the book so much, he said 'maybe we should teach it," Laurenzano said.

The class will summarize the U.S. Constitution, going over the Preamble, the 7 Articles and the 27 Amendments.

Laurenzano said he hopes that those attending the class will start becoming independent thinkers in an age when news spread over the Internet is taken at face value.

"They need to take (what they hear) and confirm if what they hear is true," he said. "I want them to be thinkers and realize their responsibility is to question authority."

As well, he said he would like to see younger people attend, noting that there have been families with children as young as five who have taken part in the class.

"Their heads are like a sponge," he said of children that age. "They had some interesting questions."

Feedback from the first class has been positive, according to Laurenzano. "People get really engaged. People want to talk, they ask questions and they really get involved."

He also said that some attendees have been so excited after taking the class that they want to join the Indiana Constitution Party.

The Indiana Constitution Party believes in limiting the federal government to its delegated, Constitutional functions. The Indiana chapter believes in fewer restrictions on election candidates, restoring state sovereignty and supporting abortion bans.

The class will be held on Sept. 8 from 9:30 - 11 a.m. at Old National Bank, 4950 E. County Line Road in Greenwood. The Greenwood class will only be held if seven or more people RSVP. Please contact Mike Laurenzano at (317) 201-5889 or email him at ConstitutionPartyIN@gmail.com by Sept. 1 to confirm attendance. The Founding Fathers Guide to the Constitution can be purchased at the class for \$15. There is no charge for the class.

For more information about the Indiana Constitution Party, go to constitution partyin. com or Facebook: ConstitutionPartyofIndiana.

#### **Greenwood man** named finalist in **Kolache Factory contest**

**FEATURE** 

**By Nancy Price** 

A Greenwood man with a taste for Indian food has created a recipe

that made him a finalist in a worldwide restaurant contest.

The Kolache Factory, a privately owned and operated franchise based in Katy, Texas, opened its annual Kolache Olympics contest to the pub-

lic for the first time this year. Out of more than 1,000 applicants, Doug Bumbalough of Greenwood was named one of the top five finalists for his recipe of Curry Chicken, a pastry stuffed with chicken breasts, carrots, curry paste and coriander.

Bumbalough, who grew up in Katy, Texas and has been consuming the pastry treats for years, has won free breakfast every day for six months at any Kolache Factory location. In Indianapolis, there is a Kolache Factory at 9650 Allisonville Road with another in Carmel: 890 E. 116th St.

Bumbalough, who was notified via email from the marketing department of Kolache Factory that he was a finalist, said he was happy when he heard the news.

"My family thought that was awesome and I was anxious to hear what the other four flavors were that I was up against," he said.

The grand prize winner is called Yes, Please (mac-n-cheese).

Hermann Gruebler, who is with research and development in operations for the Kolache Factory's headquarters, said the company was looking for "something bolder and different" for their choices in this year's contest. He said that Curry Chicken stood out and was one of his favorites.

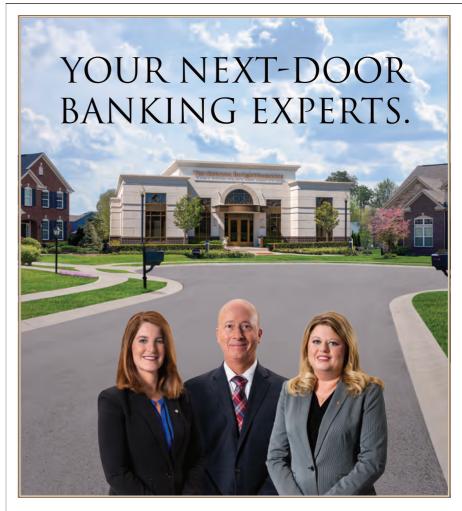
Gruebler, who works for Cognizant Technology Solutions, has many coworkers who are from India; their mouth-watering dishes at work pitch-ins, in addition to his visits at local Indian restaurants, inspired his choice for the contest.

"Curry Chicken has such bold flavors," he said. "I just figured it would be a natural fit to go with the bread the Kolache Factory uses."

The other three finalists chosen had recipes for The Cuban, Irish Delight and Country Fried Steak.

For more information about the Kolache Factory, go to kolachefactory.com.





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# Military veterans invited to join local Honor Guard teams

**FEATURE** 

By Bob Tuttle

An exciting opportunity is available to all military veterans. Military veterans are entitled to many benefits, including receiving military funeral honors. This "final salute" is one of the most prestigious of these. It cannot be given without dedicated volunteers like you.

The Greenwood & Whiteland Honor Guards provide military funeral honors to local veterans in a way that leaves a lasting remembrance for their family and friends. The team is sanctioned through the Greenwood American Legion Post 252, the Greenwood Veterans of Foreign War (VFW) Post 5864 and the New Whiteland VFW Post 6978. They are accredited by the Indiana National Guard and the Department of Defense to perform military funeral honors around Indiana but mainly in Johnson and southern Marion Counties.

Military veterans are needed to fill the ranks. Volunteers must be a member of one of the three posts noted above, able to stand at attention for short periods of time, able to walk in line formation and motivated to provide final respects to our fellow veter-

ans. Each team member is notified of each funeral and the member then decides if he or she wishes to attend.

Those interested in this opportunity and are not currently a member of one of our organizations may register for membership at one of the noted posts. All military personnel who have served anywhere in the military for at least one day during wartime or conflict are eligible to join the American Legion. Those who have received a campaign ribbon overseas, served in the Korean War for 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days, or received hostile fire or imminent danger pay are eligible to join the VFW. Bring a copy of your DD214, \$43 for the American Legion dues or \$35 for the VFW dues. They'll confirm your eligibility.

Don't let the thought of attending post meetings deter you from joining one of the organizations. To be a member of these posts, all that is required to do is pay annual dues. There are hundreds of multi-year members that have never stepped inside of the post after they have joined.

For those unsure of their eligibility or would like more information on opportuni-



Military veterans are encouraged to join local Honor Guard teams. (Submitted photo)

ties to help veterans, please contact the nearest post: Greenwood American Legion Post 252 (after 2 p.m.) at (317) 888-2488, Greenwood VFW Post 5864 (after 4 p.m.) at (317) 535-4041 or New Whiteland VFW Post (after 4 p.m.) at (317) 535-4041. To learn more information on how to become a part of the Honor Guard team, please contact Bob Tuttle, Honor Guard and Color Guard Commander, at phylandbob@aol or (317) 888-5617.

Being on an Honor Guard team places those at the very heart of assisting their fellow veterans and their families. This opportunity allows them to be back in uniform and have pride knowing that they are serving once again serving their comrades in their final farewell.

Bob Tuttle is a VFW and American Legion member.

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### Greater Greenwood named Chamber finalist

**Recognition** - The Greater Greenwood Chamber has been recognized by the Indiana Chamber Executives Association (ICEA) as one of five finalists for the statewide 2018 Indiana Chamber of the Year. A panel of five leading chamber professionals located outside of Indiana judged the organization in the areas of leadership and governance, finance, advocacy, membership and programming. The Greater Greenwood Chamber scored high in all categories and were strongest in the categories of advocacy and leadership and governance. The 2018 award winner was Greater Fort Wayne, Inc., edging out the Greater Greenwood Chamber by just one point in scoring.

#### Edel graduates from Drake University

Academics - Gabriel Edel of Greenwood graduated from Drake University at the end of the spring 2018 semester with a bachelor's degree in marketing. Drake University is a midsize, private university in Des Moines, lowa, enrolling more than 3,200 undergraduate and 1,700 graduate students from approximately 45 states and 42 countries.

# Puzzle Time

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

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- 5. Aid 2-Down
- 9. Marco \_
- 13. Parks on a bus
- 14. San Diego baseballer
- 16. Hickory Stick Golf Club club
- 17. INDIANA
- 20. Gobble down a burger at Tried & True
- 21. Fragrance
- 22. Kind of nut
- 23. Going on, to Sherlock
- 25. Feet for James Whitcomb Riley
- 27. Garden pest
- 29. Famed fiddler
- 30. Colt or Pacer
- 31. Bob Rohrman auto style
- 34. Dye's Walk Country Club hazard
- 38. INDIANA
- 42. Heroic tale
- 43. Red Square figure
- 44. Hedge plant
- 45. In doubt
- 48. Churchill gesture
- 50. Big book
- 52. Farm output
- 54. Transgression
- 55. Old newsboy's call
- 57. Accra's land
- 61. INDIANA
- 64. Community Hospital surgery souvenir, maybe
- 65. Parish leader
- 66. Game played on a map
- 67. Duke Energy units
- 68. TriBeCa neighbor
- 69. Has a pepperoni pie at Jack's Pizza

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- 1. UIndy's College of \_\_\_ & Sciences
- 2. Notorious Dillinger
- 3. Between ports
- 4. Enthusiastic, like a CGHS cheerleader
- 5. Gl's mail drop
- 6. Indianapolis Symphonic Choir voice
- 7. Decree
- 8. Independence Park shade source
- 9. Indy 500 refueling spot
- 10. Dental care brand
- 11. Studio You Yoga position
- 12. Blood type, briefly
- 15. WWII newsman Pyle

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- 19. Indy newspaper
- 24. Aroma
- 26. Sweater eater
- 27. Greenwood's is about 28 square miles
- 28. Ping-\_\_
- 29. Atomic #10 in a CGHS science class
- 30. IBM products
- 32. Hideous
- 33. Opposite of post-

- 35. \_\_\_ Biv
- 36. Mount Pleasant Christian Church cry
- 37. St. Francis Catholic Church seat
- 39. Peacock's pride
- 40. Cheer start
- 41. Naval rank
- 46. Feudal estate
- 47. WXIN network
- 49. Answer to "Where are you?"
- 50. Songbird

- 51. Night owl's time
- 52. Painter El \_\_\_\_53. Indian prince
- 54. Ho-hum
- 56. "Now hear \_\_\_\_!"
- 58. China setting
- 59. Johnson County Park twigs digs
- 60. Says "When?"
- 62. St. Francis Hospital surgery ctrs.
- 63. Acapulco gold

See **Answers** on page 27.



# **ICON**ography











National Night Out brought out plenty of smiles from neighbors and the police.
 Local restaurants donated food and drinks (and lots of pizza!).
 Children enjoyed visiting with Sparky, Greenwood Fire Department's mascot.
 A mom and her little girl were entertained by the variety of activities at the event.
 The rainy forecast did not turn away the estimated 250-300 visitors who attended the event.
 Kids were excited to have their faces painted.
 National Night Out, celebrating its 35th anniversary nationwide, was attended by various community members. (Photos courtesy of the city of Greenwood)





# National Night Out brings local police and community together

**By Nancy Price** 

Although a rainy forecast prevented outdoor activities from happening at Greenwood Police Department's National Night Out, that didn't stop the local community from coming out to enjoy some pizza and face painting while visiting with the police and Greenwood Fire Department on Aug. 8 at the Greenwood Community Center.

The annual event (nationally the event is in its 35th year) promotes positive relationships between law enforcement and local communities. Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and other community events with safety demonstrations, exhibits and visits from emergency personnel.

"The event brings police and the community together to make our neighborhoods safer," said Misty Ituarte, crime analyst for the Greenwood Police Department. "It's a special night to bring the police and neighborhood together in a positive way."

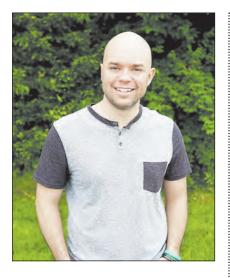
Along with face painting, there was a photo booth, free kits for kids to build, grab bags and tickets for raffle baskets. Local restaurants and Target and Sam's Club provided sandwiches, pizza, popcorn, chips and drinks.

Sparky, a mascot/stuffed dog for the fire department, rode around in a motorized fire truck and "talked" with kids at the event while a firefighter hid in the background and pretended to be Sparky talking.

The activities can help kids see police and emergency personnel in a different light. "I think it's a good thing because kids see us in negative situations and we don't want them to get the feeling that cops are bad," Ituarte said.

Ituarte added that she has received a lot of positive feedback from those who attended the event, including the vendors. "They had a great time," she said.

# **ICONIC**briefs



### Emmanuel Church announces new campus pastor

**New staff** - Aaron Beasley is the new Campus Pastor of Emmanuel Church's Banta Campus. Beasley joined Emmanuel's staff in 2010 as Student Ministries Pastor. He will work directly with Emmanuel's staff leadership team to provide guidance, support, encouragement and direction to the Banta Campus team, as well as identify strategic ways to partner with and serve the local community. Executive Pastor of Families and Multisites, Rachel Long, shared, "After serving with and leading Aaron for 15 years, I feel he is unequivocally the best person to lead the Banta Campus at Emmanuel. I know without a doubt that he will take Banta to the next level and we will see amazing growth at this campus under his strong, encouraging leadership."

### CGHS names Coleman varsity softball coach

**Staff announcement -** Center Grove High School (CGHS) has chosen Alyssa

Coleman as its new head coach for varsity softball.
Coleman will also teach
Physical Education at
CGHS. Coleman has served as head softball coach for
Speedway High School

since 2013. She led the team to a Class 2A State Championship in 2018. Coleman played softball for Butler University where she earned a bachelor's degree in Exercise Science. She also holds a master's degree in Athletic Coaching from Ball State University. Coleman has served as a physical education teacher in both Speedway and Wayne Township. She replaces long-time coach Russ Milligan, who coached 27 years before resigning his coaching position earlier this month.

### Roncalli girls golf to attend LPGA tournament

Athletics - The Roncalli girls golf team will attend the Indy Women in Technology (IWiT) LPGA tournament at the Brickyard Crossing on Aug. 16. The LPGA is putting on a golf clinic for high school girls golf teams from central Indiana. This is the second-straight year the Roncalli squad will attend the event, and this year, they will be taking along middle-school golfers from the south deanery schools. The event provides the opportunity for the team to visit with female professional golfers, who answer questions, demonstrate different shots and pose for photos.



### **Greenwood Library** offers scholarship

**Scholarship** - The Greenwood Public Library's Century of Reading Scholarship is now open to seniors attending a Johnson County High School (or homeschooled seniors who live in Johnson County). This onetime award has been established by the library in honor of its 100 years of service to the community and inspired by the Century of Reading sculpture. This \$5,000 college scholarship will be awarded to one local senior who not only reads 50 of the books listed on the sculpture but also demonstrates insight and creativity in their essay about how reading has impacted and inspired their future. The scholarship was envisioned by and made possible by the generosity of corporate sponsors, Tilson and Endress+Hauser. More information and the online application can be found at greenwoodlibrary.us/ scholarship. Applications are due on March 1, 2019 from the online application form, no paper applications will be accepted. For more information contact Jane Weisenbach at (317) 881-1953 or jweisenbach@greenwoodlibrary.us.

# **OPEN AUDITIONS Saturday, Aug. 18**

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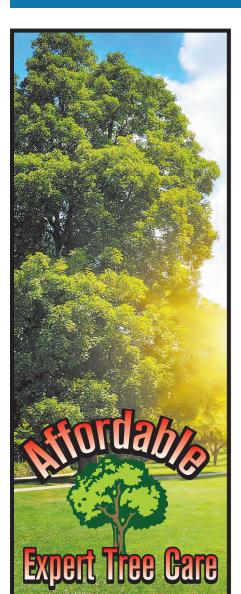
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# CENTER GROVE HS FOOTBALL PREVIEW



Center Grove Head Football Coach Eric Moore hopes the next few weeks

will answer some major questions about

Will a big but inexperienced offensive line gel? Can a fast and skilled but undersized defensive line hold up? Are the Trojans' offensive and defensive backfields as good and deep as Moore believes?

But Moore's biggest question is also the shortest one: can the Trojans stay healthy?

"We've never had these many guys that we were depending on being hurt going into the season," said Moore of a team that returns 13 seniors who started last year. "We're not that deep to play in our conference with sophomores."

Injuries make it hard to predict the lineup for the season and home opener Aug. 17 against Warren Central, ranked 26th nationally in MaxPreps' preseason poll. The Trojans, whom MaxPreps ranks fifth in Indiana, follow up the opener with games against New Palestine, Carmel and Ben Davis.

"There's nowhere on the schedule for relief but you could have a bad record coming out of those four games and still have a good team," Moore said.

Moore calls the defensive backfield the strength of the team's defense, featuring seniors Drew Green, Chris Martin, Matt Pence and Lucas Roehling.

The defensive line will be anchored by Indiana State recruit Lucas Hunter, considered one of the top players in the Indianapolis area after logging 57 tackles and 8.5 sacks last season. Moore is also eyeing Brian Gaffney, undersized at 5'11" and 220 pounds, to be a major contributor on the defensive line.

On the other side of the ball, Moore says the team's offensive line is one of his tenure's biggest. Other than senior guard AJ Wiese, however, the line lacks experience. Last year's starting tight end, Lucas Doyle, moved to tackle because of his size but is still learning the new position. Moore said.

The line will be counted on to provide pass protection for senior quarterback Jack Moore, who started all 12 games in 2017 and opens holes for a trio of talented running backs, seniors Gavin Matheson and Sam Hohlt and Carson Steele. A sophomore, Steele is a preseason all-area player after rushing for 1703 yards and 20 touchdowns

Seniors Jacob Keith and Jake Gagnon will start as receivers with classmate Cam Petty moving from running back to tight end. Sophomores Trent Veith and Connor Delp will also see significant playing time as receivers.

The Trojans may have one of the most talented kicking games in the nation. Preseason all-area punter PJ Buck and fellow senior Luke Eckert, the placekicker, are returning starters. Moore says both have Division 1 talent.

Center Grove finished last year at 6-6 and lost to Avon in the state quarterfinals. Moore is looking for another deep playoff push if the Trojans stay healthy.

"We know what we've got in some of our kids but the yet-unknown heroes will have to step up," Moore said.







The Center Grove High School Trojans will have their home opening game on Aug. 17 against Warren Central. (Photo courtesy of Center Grove High School)

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- Curiosity to sip and taste something new

#### Tips for Making the Most of WAMMfest:

Dress for comfort, including your shoes. Make new friends as you enjoy yourself. Stay hydrated with water while savoring wine and beer. Try something new, something you've never had. Visit the Artist's Gallery to discover some unique pieces. Use a rideshare or taxi, or park free nearby. Have fun and create memories!



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SERTOMA Club of Greenwood

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WAMMfest began in 2008 as a way for the Sertoma Club of Greenwood to raise funds for the community and also to showcase the artistic, cultural and entertainment opportunities in the community. For a decade, the club has donated all net proceeds from the event — now totalling more than \$750,000 — to support youth, individual and community organizations.

The 40 member club is committed to Service to Mankind and Giving Back to the community of Greenwood. It takes an incredible amount of planning, organization and hard work to produce this fundraiser year after year.

The volunteer group's mission is to improve the quality of life for those at-risk or impacted by hearing loss. The club works with local schools and special services to identify areas needing speech and hearing improvement programs. Sertoma donations have helped organizations and groups purchase professional instruction, technology and equipment — items identified by speech and language pathologists as important support tools.

The club also focuses on other needs in the community. "To date, our largest donation has been \$25,000 to the City Center Park and Splash Pad in Greenwood," said Melissa Duke, club treasurer. "Families for many years will be able to enjoy and benefit from this valuable community resource. The club is leaving a legacy for future generations."

#### Agencies Supported by Sertoma in 2017:

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- Hear Indiana Talk Walk Run & Camp
- GFF Fire Dash and Run
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- Habitat for Humanity of Johnson County
- Youth Connections Breakfast of Champions

- High School Scholarships
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- Sertoma Club of Morgan County
- Friends of Greenwood Public Library
- Remember the Children
- Department
- CASA Christmas Celebration
- Camp Sertoma Foundation

# Enjoying Wine, Art, Music & Microbrew (and food).

WAMMfest, now in its tenth year, is one of the Southside's largest events. A total of 7 wineries, 11 microbreweries, 14 restaurants and a half-dozen food trucks will provide attendees this year with a wide variety of options, all with a special emphasis on Indiana products. Visit wammfest.com to see the lists of all vendors.

"Indiana continues to grow and thrive as an area creating great wines," said Mary Rusher, winery team leader. "All of the vendors are very supportive of the fundraising we do and are happy to be involved."

Several award-winning microbreweries continue to return each year. For this year's festival, Oaken Barrel brewed its famous Grapefruit Radler, a shandy-style beer low in alcohol by volume yet high in flavor, making it smooth and easy to drink at the event.

"In addition to staying hydrated, we know those who attend WAM-Mfest tend to work up an appetite while showing their best dance moves and visiting the artists, so we have plenty of food vendors to please any palate," said Allen.

"As we continue to grow every year, we work diligently to ensure an assortment of wine, microbrew and food that provides an authentic Hoosier flavor," explained Dennis Allen, microbrewery and food team leader. "Because of our past success, we receive a large number of requests from vendors wanting to participate in WAMMfest."







A highlight of WAMMfest is the art show, which boasts more than 55 artist exhibitors from Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and even as far away as Florida. The vendors are working artists who apply to be a part of WAMMfest several months in advance of the event and include many who return year after year.

Participating artists are selected during a juried process resulting in a high quality of artwork that distinguishes WAMMfest from other festivals. Judges look for artists who create imaginative, interesting, new and appealing works of art.

"Our goal is to include artists creating unique and high-quality pieces of art, not crafts." explained Jackie Briggs, art team leader. She added that most vendors also will do commissioned work.

Artwork on display and for sale at varying prices includes:

Photography Acrylics paintings Watercolor paintings Oil paintings Chalk and pencil drawings llustrations Hand-thrown pottery Stone Glasswork Leather Sculptures Metals Fabrics Baskets Wearable art Woodworking Jewelrv

"Artists are passionate about their media and use artwork to speak to the soul," Briggs commented. "They interact with attendees and often their conversations lead to friendships. WAMMfest is the perfect place to find high-quality and unique items for others — or even yourself — that you won't find anywhere else. It's amazing to see what these artists can do."



Every sponsor has an indespensable part of the giving to this charitable event, as well as the guests who attend WAMMfest each year. Thank you!

# From the heart of WAMMfest

"My first granddaughter's WAMMfest was in 2010. Actually, second. She attended 2009 in utero! She has never missed one and will be turning nine right after this one (she was born 09-09-09)." – Don Cummings

"WAMMfest was one of the first "festivals" my husband and I attended. It was so awesome to not only see all the different artists but to start learning about what each other liked. We are looking forward to seeing if our tastes changed this year." – Danielle Cooney

"I love being able to walk around, listen to music and see different types of art with my wife. The joy on her face when she finds the perfect gift for someone, or herself, is amazing and I love that WAMMfest brings this to our backyard." – Josh Cooney "Last year was our first year at WAMMfest! We had so much fun listening to the bands (we love the Woomblies!) and trying new beers from the breweries. I actually discovered my favorite beer there! Quaff On's six foot strawberry blonde." – Monica Ridenour



Mondica Rideonour (center)

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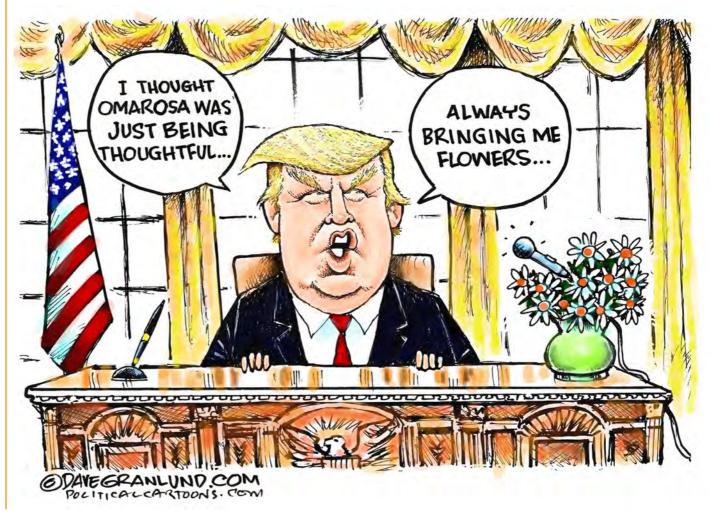
Nationally there are 40 million Americans over the age of 65. By 2030 there will be more than double that amount: 91 million. There are currently more than 850,000 seniors living in Indiana. The month of August is MedicAlert Awareness Month, established by the MedicAlert Foundation.

Seniors are particularly at risk for falls and serious medical emergencies. When they live alone and are unable to call 911, pushing a button on a MedicAlert device gets them immediate help, which can mean the difference between life and death.

Yet immediate medical emergencies aren't limited to the elderly. Those with asthma, epilepsy, food or drug allergies, special needs, heart disease, multiple sclerosis, or are on dialysis are at a high risk for emergencies. Diabetes has reached epidemic levels in the U.S. with more than 30 million. In Indiana, more than 700,000 Hoosier adults have diabetes with another 1.7 having prediabetes. (It is estimated that 90 percent of those with prediabetes are unaware that they even have the disease.)

There are several Medical Alert systems in Indiana: Medical Guardian at (800) 317-5100; Mobile Help at (866) 889-9373; and LifeStation at (800) 236-8044. For more information on MedicAlerts in general, go to the MedicalAlert Foundation at medicalalert.org or call (800) 432-5378.

#### **ICONtoon**



#### You can't handle the truth

#### HUMOR By Gus Pearcy

Hello, Comrades! Welcome to a new world order where nothing makes sense and Russians are the good guys. A world order where the news is opinion and opinions are alternative facts. Where cats are dogs and Mother Nature constantly reminds us we are a boil on her buttocks.

Every time I absorb the news, I shake my head with a "tsk, tsk, tsk." I can't respect any sources because they all seem to have a political bent. Even my beloved NPR is hopping on the bandwagon of gotcha journalism.

Yesterday, I heard a sponsorship message on NPR where the New York Times mentioned that they are all about reporting the facts. It's a sad day when a news organization has to tell you that they report the facts. Isn't that their purpose?

I know facts are now a subset of opinion but there must be a set of truth, doesn't there?

Division of opinion is worse than ever. It's dividing us into camps and the walls are getting higher and higher. Facebook and all subsequent social media is a boon and a bust. Personally, I like staying in touch with all my friends and seeing what goes on in their lives. It makes seeing each other a bit awkward with a knowing silence but Facebook is a great tool for staying in touch. But people can't seem to shut up about their opinions.

Our president shuffles back and forth on Vladimir Putin's guilt as a Russian spy and we are one hack away from losing all our "electronic" money or electricity in an act of terrorism. The news gets more depressing with people losing their lives on vacation and we can't seem to find a safe haven in our own schools.

The words of Jack Nicholson ring louder with each passing year: We can't handle the truth (mostly because we can't get it). I drive more than I used to and I see many accidents. I have had a few close calls myself and I have become a bit more cognizant of my own human frailties. The truth is I could be in a serious accident that could ultimately take my life.

It's times like these that humans need a truth to cling to. We need a standard we can rely on to comfort us. I hope you have found that standard. I can tell you it isn't the New York Times.



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#### QUOTE

"My best friend is the one who brings out the best in me."

- Henry Ford

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In Wyoming, it is illegal for women to stand within five feet of a bar while drinking.

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# **EVENTS**calendar

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12th annual Adult Spelling Bee & Costume Contest • Register your team of three (adults age 18 and over) now through Sept. 6. First place team prize wins \$150. Sponsored by the JCPL Foundation and Friends of JCPL. | When: Sept. 13, 6:30 p.m. | Where: The Sycamore at Mallow Run Winery, 7070 W. Whiteland Road | Info: Register at pageafterpage.org/adult-spelling-bee; Monica Harvey at (317) 738-2957 or mharvey@juplin.org.

#### **FRANKLIN**

**5th Annual Dining in the Dark Event** • Johnson County Senior Services is hosting its 5th Annual Dining in the Dark event, including a three-course gourmet meal, served in complete darkness, to raise awareness for seniors that are visually impaired, as well as out of sight, out of mind. The event also includes a silent and live auction, with returning Master of Ceremonies, Rafael Sanchez. Sponsorship for tables is open. | When: Aug. 30, 5 p.m. | Where: Compass Park Community & Event Center, located at the Indiana Masonic Home, 690 State St. | Info: (317) 560-1707 or email ksmith@jcseniorservices.org /(317) 224-9513.

#### **GREENWOOD**

**WAMMfest** • The Sertoma Club of Greenwood will host the 10th annual WAMMfest, an annual summer festival celebrating wine, art, music and microbrewing. Tickets are available for \$15 in advance at any Ray Skillman location, Greenwood Public Library, Greenwood Community Center, all Johnson County Horizon branch locations and the Citizens Bank County Line branch. Children under the age of 12 will be free and tickets can also be purchased for \$20 at the gate. | When: Aug. 18, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. | Where: Craig Park, 10 E. Smith Valley Road. | Info: (317) 224-9513; wammfest.com.

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Johnson County Exchange Golf Club Outing • Golf club outing to benefit Girls Inc. of Johnson County. | When: Aug. 30, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Where: Dye's Walk Country Club, 2080 S. State Road, 135. | Info: (317) 736-5344; register online at greenwoodchamber.com.

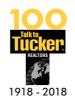
Fly-In for Diabetes • The Indianapolis South Radio-Control club is hosting its 33rd annual benefit air show, Fly-In for Diabetes. The public is invited to see a great radio-control model air show and help raise money that will go directly to the American Diabetes Association. Free event. Bring lawn chairs/blankets. Refreshments available for purchase. | When: Sept. 15, noon to 5 p.m. | Where: Rike Field, 3200 E. Worthsville Road. | Info: indyrcsouth.org.

**CGCPO's Annual Encore Event** • Center Grove Choir Parent Organization (CGCPO) will host its annual Encore event. The fundraiser provides scholarships to students experiencing financial hardship and to students for academic and musical achievement. Registration is now available. | When: Sept. 30, 5 – 9 p.m. | Where: The barn at Bay Horse Inn, 1468 W. Stones Crossing Road. | Info: centergrovechoirs.org/encore-registration; barnatbayhorse.com.

**Third annual Sunset Soiree** • Join your friends for a hilarious evening with comedian, Dave Dugan. Proceeds will directly support building expansion efforts. Tickets for members of The Social are \$45; regular tickets are \$60 | When: Oct. 4, 6 p.m. | Where: The Barn at Bay Horse Inn, 1468 Stones Crossing Road, W. | Info: (317) 882-4810; thesocialofgreenwood.org



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Left, Storage Express Owner and President Jefferson Shreve works at one of his locations as builders carry material away. | Right, Jefferson Shreve speaks at an event at IUPUI. He was national chairman for the IU Alumni Association. (Submitted photos)

# **Expanding Storage Express**

Perry Township man owns largest self-storage company in Indiana

#### **By Cleveland Dietz**

Jefferson Shreve never thought he'd get into the self-storage business, not even after he did.

The owner and president of Storage Express has facilities in 107 locations across five states. The company mainly operates in rural Midwestern areas such as Martinsville, where Shreve, 50, opened his first facility during the spring semester of his senior year at Indiana University.

It was a significant departure from his plans when he moved away from Indianapolis for college. He thought he'd study political science, then go to law school but an internship with a real estate lobbyist in Washington, D.C. during his junior year changed the course of his life. Until then, he'd never thought of real estate as a career but rubbing elbows with developers piqued his curiosity. He knew when he got back to Indiana that he wanted to get a summer job with one and that's where it started.

He got hired by a company that built strip centers next to malls. At the time, the company was trying to figure out if it could do anything with the excess land behind its structures.

"The idea of doing self-storage was something the guy I worked for wanted me to vet while working there as a summer job," Shreve, a Perry Township resident, said. "They ended up not running with it."

But Shreve thought he had some good

ideas. Inspired, the undergrad gathered enough money to buy one acre of land by State Road 37, then got a construction loan to get started.

"By the skin of my teeth, I got it opened up and people started renting," Shreve said.

He made enough money to make his first payment on the property and that gave him the confidence to turn down a full-time job offer from the strip mall developers.

The Martinsville facility is still there 29 years later, though it's grown from one metal building with 50 units into a 14-building compound.

Not long after it got going, he built another one in Salem, then another in Linton and another in Avon. They were all about the same size – one building with 50 units - with around six months, maybe a little longer, in between each open, Shreve said.

"I thought I'd develop a few storage facilities, then graduate onto something sexier like apartments or shopping centers," he said.

Now, Storage Express is the largest selfstorage company headquartered in Indiana.

"No one thinks about a storage unit until they need it," Shreve said. "They just don't."

It's when a person's going through a move or a divorce or some other upheaval and they need to sock their stuff away somewhere that Storage Express can make its case. The company puts a lot of marketing dollars into search engine optimization, so when a person looks up storage units or self-storage on their phone,

Storage Express comes up first.

Despite only thinking of them when they need them, Storage Express customers stick around for 14 months on average.

"A lot of my customers think they're going to need it for maybe three months or so but most of them end up keeping it for longer than they think they're going to need and that's a beautiful thing," Shreve said.

Still, running a self-storage business has its challenges. Some customers don't pay their rent and there's a multi-step process that must be followed to put a lien on and auction the contents of a storage unit. With 107 locations, Shreve said, his company must have good systems in place to make sure those things are carried out the right way. It's better to stay ahead of it and make sure people pay their rent in the first place.

"It's not like their homes," he said. "It's not on the top of their mind, so there's that aspect, too."

Another thing about businesses with a lot of moving parts is something's always happening. The company finished renovating a facility on S. Madison Avenue in March and there are two new locations on the horizon. The first is a 100,000-squarefoot building at Mann Road and Interstate 465 that will be finished in about six weeks. The other, on a 9-acre site at the northeast corner of Thompson Road and U.S. Highway 31, will serve as the regional office for Indianapolis in addition to being a self-storage facility.

#### PERSONNEL MATTERS

#### Creating an environment of trust in a world of dishonesty

#### By Mike Heffner

In the political environment we are in, there has been a lot discussed about fake news and inappropriate things said behind closed doors. It would seem dishonesty is everywhere. Honestly, I can't stand it (pun intended). I learned the importance of integrity the hard way as a kid. I think it was because I was disciplined much worse for fibbing than I was for what I actually did wrong. An example of this was when I didn't tell my mom about a situation and what happened and instead, just tried to cover it up. I fessed up but not until she figured out what I had done. Since that time, telling the truth and having integrity have been very important to me. There is a saying that I have tried hard to live out in my life – you don't have to worry about what you said in the past if you spoke the truth from the start.

It's not easy to create a culture and environment that values trust and allows for open communication. I have a few tips that I believe are paramount to creating trust in the workplace.

1) SPEAK UP - it's your obligation to seek the truth and understand. In meetings or in other conversations make sure if you disagree or don't have a good understanding that you share your opinion or misunderstanding.

2) BE OPEN TO DEBATE - ask others to challenge the ideas, seek counter arguments and be willing to listen open-mindedly. Encourage debate but make it clear that complaining isn't tolerated and share the difference.

3) DEAL WITH IT NOW - don't kick the can down the road. The discussion is better to be had

while it's fresh and not allow time to create more issues.

4) SEEK ALIGNMENT – it is OK to have different opinions but to have trust you must find a way to agree or at least agree that you disagree.

5) NOT SHARING KEY INFO IS LYING - look to create an environment that is OK bringing truth to the forefront even when it may be uncomfortable to hear. The key is having alignment with the company values and then it becomes easier to know what needs to be shared.

6) PRIOR UNTRUTHFULNESS - someone new to the team may have not experienced transparency in the past. If the first instance of cover-up or dishonesty doesn't seem intentional, have some grace.

7) ADMIT WHEN WRONG - this is key when trying to create a culture that values trust. Everyone messes things up at some point. Admit it, figure out why it happened and how to avoid it from happening again, then move on.

The best teams and the most meaningful relationships develop when a team of people can speak openly about things that are important and hold each other accountable. When things are founded in integrity the relationship will only become stronger and the results better, when challenges arise.



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.

#### **BUSINESS**

#### Perry named to board for Indiana **Alzheimer's Association**

Recognition - American Senior Communities Director of Memory Care Support

Services Melanie K. Perry was named to the Board of Directors of the Alzheimer's Association Greater Indiana Chapter. Melanie's responsibilities at American Senior Communities include Auguste's Cottage Memory Care Centers at most of the



the original Auguste's Cottage program. She is recognized as a memory care expert who was earlier this year named as one of four distinguished educators of the year by the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners. She is a Certified Dementia Practitioner and Certified Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care Trainer (CADDCT). She has been a frequent speaker at the Alzheimer's Association's state conferences, as well as other industry regional and state conferences. She chairs the Education Committee for the Indiana Person Directed Care Coalition.

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#### Upcoming chamber meetings and events

23 – Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce August Membership 101. | When: Aug. 23, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. | Where: Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce, 65 Airport Pkwy, Ste. 140, Greenwood. | Info: greenwoodchamber. com.

**30** – Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce Emerging Leaders. Participation will be limited to between 20 and 30 area emerging leaders from a variety of industries. Please note, this event is designed for ages 40 and under only. | When: Aug. 30, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Where: Dye's Walk Country Club, 2060 S. State Road 135, Greenwood. | Info: greenwoodchamber.com.



#### BIZ WEB

#### Why I prefer an Android vs. an iPhone

#### By Andrew Angle

You know that uneasy feeling you get before buying something pricey? Well, the asphalt that recently smashed a hole in my mobile phone's glass made my decision to purchase an upgrade a little easier.

The phone was a Samsung S6 Edge. When I bought it three years ago it was touted by Samsung as the fastest phone in the world. Come to think of it, I even wrote one of my Business Leader articles through it via voice recognition while walking my dog. Now I'm writing from the newest ver-

sion of "fastest phone in the world", a Samsung S9 Plus. More bells. More whistles. Dual lenses on the front camera for better focus and sharper image quality. And it's big. I'm writing this on a plane now and don't have to squint to read the text.

My kids gave me a hard time about buying another non-Apple device. Before deciding, I asked for their insight into what makes their iPhones superior to Android. The reasons didn't sound convincing enough to justify parting with the extra \$250+ that the iPhone 10 would have set me back. The answer when speaking to

salesman trained to take an agnostic approach to brands said that it comes down to "preference".

My preference is to save a few bucks by going with Android.



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#### PEER TO PEER

#### Big business and the process machine

#### **By Howard Hubler**

Last week, my wife Janet and I flew to Colombia, South America for the wedding of a daughter of a missionary friend. We were at the mercy of the airlines on both legs of the trip, of course. We experienced customs processes in two countries before our trip was over. More of that later. Here are the geniuses of the point that I would like to make.

A poll just came out in the auto business regarding the purchase of ancillary products once a customer purchases an auto. The poll was about the percent of customers that bought extended warranties and the like for the car that they just purchased. These products are generally sold during the finance process of the purchase; those customers that opt to purchase them want to pay for them in their payments as it is an "easier" payback that way. Customers determined that the finance and insurance people in large, publicly traded stores made a better presentation, thus they sold more than did smaller family-owned groups of auto dealers.

So, why is this the situation? The article did not give a reason but this is my thought. The smaller businesses in our industry have a big heart. Today, many of the dealers started up from nothing. Large automakers chose them as a candidate from a pool of other candidates; this is a sobering thing to be chosen best among your applying peers. This loyalty lasts a long time and is reflected in the attitude of staff. However, we smaller privately-owned groups lack the hiring information and the sophistication of large corporations at times. We hire

"like me" managers that duplicate skills sets and attitudes of current management. If the dealer is not a natural "process freak", chances are that the store will be process weak in auto finance as well as elsewhere in the business.

The customer of a publicly traded group does not know this but he will be more inclined to buy extended warranties and the like in the finance office. However, I know this: it is all about the process presentation. Back to the late-night customs process at Miami International Airport: We did not get the usual declaration form while aboard our flight home. When we landed, all aboard went to one of 100 or so kiosks that more or less duplicated the process that the officer uses in Colombia. However, the kiosks first displayed auto fill forms; we answered all the usual guestions: "Are you bringing in any fruit?" and the like. Once we completed them, we turned our passports upside down and slid them into the bottom of the kiosk to get international clearance, just like the officer would do. Before we were done, our pictures were taken in duplicate; we handed them back to other officers as we were processed, leaving no doubt that the pictures matched the ones on the passports. We avoided the long lines late at night; this was a big deal.

This common computer was no more expensive than the multitude of officers that they replaced. The hundred or so kiosks process 100 travelers at once, not the usual eight or so that officers processed, each at the front of their long lines. Now, I have written many articles over the years as to the inefficiency of the federal gov-

ernment over privatization of tasks that could be otherwise outsourced. Here the U.S. government was far more efficient than the Colombia customs process. However, the Colombian guys had it down pretty good; just nowhere as fast. How could they? They could not process 100 travelers at once!

So, now to the teachable moment. As we small family businesses go about our daily walk in life, we need to always be searching for more efficient processes to install in our businesses. When well executed there are three wins. The obvious first two are the customer and the employee; both engage in a more pleasant selling environment. The last win offers us a "left-handed insult". What if our business is slated to be purchased by large publicly traded concerns like auto dealers, funeral homes and the like? Then, what if they make more money at our business as amateurs than us seasoned professionals did by installing the same processes that we attempted to install all for the last 10 years but ultimately failed to install? Then we wonder, how did they pay us ALL the money when they bought this place and they are still making a handsome profit? If you are not working for the company that bought you out yet, then it is not too late for you!



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Top left, the Blue Caboose carries swimsuits. Buy one before the winter clearance takes over! | Bottom left, the store carries a variety of men's and boy's clothing. | Center, co-owners Lisa Moon (left) and Whitney Christy (right) enjoy giving back to the community while keeping prices low. | Top right, women's and girl's dresses are always \$7 or under. | Bottom right, t-shirts with superheroes are popular at the store. (Submitted photos)

#### New thrift store carries quality fashion with low prices

#### **By Nancy Price**

Move over, Goodwill. Beech Grove's newest thrift store offers low prices on merchandise.

The Blue Caboose, located on Main Street, has jeans that are always priced at \$5, shirts for around \$2 or \$3, dresses from \$3- \$7 and prom dresses for only \$10. Nothing is ever priced higher than \$10.

"We are staying up to date on styles; our prices are low and affordable and we have what's in season," said Whitney Christy, coowner of The Blue Caboose.

In addition, the store carries shoes, pajamas, swimsuits, bras, jewelry, purses, cosmetic bags, sunglasses and more. There is merchandise for men, women and children and an array of sizes, including plus. Brand names include American Eagle, Lucky Brand Express Dennis Basso, H by Halston, Susan Graver

and Fifth Sun along with Disney clothing for kids and Bob Mackie wearable art.

As well, the store carries "hippy style" items, including Billabong women's surf shorts and men's swim trunks.

We are so vast in the things we carry," said Lisa Moon, co-owner. "Our price range is cheaper than Goodwill. We have brand-new clothing and sought-after vintage including Tommy Hilfiger."

Christy, a Franklin Township resident and Moon, who lives in Greenfield, decided to open the store after meeting through Christy's dad's company, Christy's of Indiana, a family operated auction gallery located on Madison Avenue, near E. Southport Road. Christy and Moon had a collaborated vision for the store and wanted to give back to the community. They purchased items through local estate sales.

A few weeks ago, Christy and Moon partnered with Pastor Tim McNamee of Cityview Church to receive donations. Cityview serves those who are lost and hurting in the inner city of Indianapolis and partners with churches and businesses in Indiana to help those in poverty to know Jesus. In addition, McNamee founded Blue Tassel Farm Inc., a nonprofit in Butlerville, in 2016.

"Inner-city kids are brought to the farm and they learn about gardening and animals, bonfires and cookouts, horses, cows and chickens," Moon said. (McNamee) ministers the love of Jesus and teaches them better ways of problem-solving."

Moon, who said she and Christy see the business "as a storehouse of good things for others" explained that the store's name of The Blue Caboose (most cabooses are red) fits with the store's "different and quirky" atmosphere.

#### Why did you decide to open this business?

We had so many clothes (from auction sales). Clothing is something everyone needs. We offer discount prices that people can afford. This brings a blessing back to people. Why would you work so hard just to spend \$50 on jeans?

#### What did you do to prepare for opening your own business?

The building we found was vacant for seven years; we were given a very reasonable rent. The owner (of the building) was so good to us. The building needed rehab, so he didn't charge us rent for the first few months. We waited until Kmart was going out of business to purchase \$20 for clothing racks and tried to stay as low-cast as we could. Our mentality is saving money all the way around and making a difference for consumers.

#### Who is your ideal customer?

Anybody who likes good quality clothing at discounted prices. People who are smart with their money. Anyone who is attracted to quality clothing without spending a fortune.

#### How do you plan to be successful?

We're successful already in that we try to make a difference. We are willing to be a blessing to the people. We work for free a lot and donate a lot of our own personal stuff. Success is going to be merchandise flying off the shelves.

#### What would surprise people about your store? The low prices.

#### How would you explain your atmosphere?

Almost homey. People like to hang out. We have a couch. We're hippie-like. We're bright and floral. We're so friendly and we tell people to make themselves at home. We'll hang things back up. We'll bring things out to you once we know your size. We cater to the high department store feeling without the high price.

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#### How can I stop annoying iCloud messages?

**TECH SAVVY** 

By Regina Miller

I get frequent messages on my iPhone that iCloud is running out of space. Is there anything I can do to stop the annoying messages?

There are several things you can do to stop the nagging "running out of iCloud storage" - and a couple you can absolutely do if you are using iCloud. One option is to disable iCloud completely by signing out in settings. The downside is you are giving up the free 5 GB of space that Apple offers its users. While 5 GB isn't a lot, if used strategically to back up very important information it's enough to help avoid a crisis of lost data in the event of phone loss or failure. This brings us to the next option – configure iCloud so it ONLY backs up the info you'd otherwise lose and couldn't regain access to easily. For most people this means contacts, calendar, photos and data from apps that don't use online accounts. Lastly and an increasingly popular option is to upgrade your iCloud account to a paid one. Apple offers more affordable options than it used to. For example, the 99-cent monthly 50 GB

plan is becoming increasingly popular and has ample space to store everything many users have on all their devices. You can subscribe, as well as cancel, subscriptions through Settings directly on your iPhone. The No. 1 bit of advice though: if you are using iCloud I strongly encourage you to go to a computer and log into your iCloud account by going to iCloud.com and using your Apple ID and password to log in. Poke around under the different headings and make sure what you THINK you are backing up is actually what is being backed up. In the past month, 100 percent of the clients I've helped with this have discovered they weren't backing up what they thought they were – and it's an easy fix: just change what you tell it to back up in settings. It's better for you to discover this now then when you need it most.



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#### To infinitives and beyond

**GRAMMAR** GUY

**By Curtis Honeycutt** 

When I started working at a new company, I was disappointed to learn that an "enter-

prise" account had absolutely nothing to do with spaceships. Instead, enterprise accounts are the big fish your team reels in so that your proverbial corporate boat stays afloat.

I hate to critique with Captain Kirk but when he utters "to boldly go where no man has gone before", he's technically breaking a grammar rule. Or is he? I know William Shatner (who famously played Captain James T. Kirk) is Canadian; does that hamper his grasp on correct English grammar?

"To boldly go" is an example of a split infinitive. Up until now, the only thing I was worried about splitting was my pants. So, what's an infinitive, anyway?

An infinitive is almost always a two-word verb phrase with the word "to" in front of the verb. Examples of infinitives include to sneeze, to cry, to dance and to fail.

A split infinitive occurs when you put an adverb between "to" and the verb. It's like the adverb is rudely cutting in on you and your date at the prom, which makes you want to take the adverb out to the parking lot and punch it in the throat. Examples of split infinitives include to loudly

sneeze, to softly cry, to confidently dance and to utterly fail.

So, what's the big deal? Are split infinitives a definitive no-no in English? Not necessarily.

The anti-split infinitive movement grew from a handful of prominent English grammarians in the 18th and 19th centuries who had nothing better to do than to try to bend popular opinions on English grammar rules to those of Latin. By now, these grammarians are all dead, so they don't get a say anymore.

With that said, it's probably a good idea to avoid split infinitives in your formal writing; many still view split infinitives as at least quasi-incorrect grammar usage. But could you imagine the introduction of a classic show like Star Trek, where Kirk says "...to go boldly where no man has gone before"? Pop (and nerd) culture just wouldn't be the same. I'll split with the grammar snobs and cling on to the Trekkies on this one.



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# Pray always for staff and students

#### DEVOTIONAL

By Pastor Chris Philbeck

"If you're like me, your heart breaks every time you read or hear about another senseless school shooting. Today, sadly, school shootings have become a part of life in America. And while each shooting re-opens the debate about what we might do to prevent such tragedies in the future, sometimes the politics of the debate overshadow the cause. So, I'm left with the same question that so many others ask: What can I do?

This all became very personal for me when my granddaughter began kindergarten. Because of the proximity of the school to my home and work, I "pass" by multiple times a day during the school year. So, I began to say a prayer every time I would "pass" by. I would simply say, "Lord, please watch over and protect Grace from any kind of evil or harm while she's in school today. And I pray the same thing for all of her fellow students and all of the staff." I pray those words every time I "pass" by the school.

Each year, on the weekend before school starts, we plan a special "Back to School" service, focused on recognizing and praying for all of our students and all of those who lead, teach, serve and care for our students throughout the year. As I thought about "Back to School" 2018 I felt compelled to issue a challenge for everyone in my church to commit to praying whenever they "pass" one of our schools. We even came up with an acronym using the word P.A.S.S.: Pray Always for Staff and Students. My communications team then created a windshield "cling" like what you get to remind you when to change the oil in your car. We placed the "cling" in our Weekend Bulletins with a simple explanation. We also sent a letter inviting every church in White River Township to embrace the P.A.S.S. challenge. We told each church we would provide the windshield clings free of charge. There's nothing on the cling that identifies Mount Pleasant. This is all about praying for our schools.

In 1 Thessalonians 5:17 and Philippians 4:6, Paul tells us to pray always and to pray about everything. Why wouldn't we make the commitment to pray for the staff and students of our schools? I'm praying that thousands of people will accept the P.A.S.S. challenge. Will you be one? Contact us at Mount Pleasant to get your windshield cling.



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#### INDIANA MEMBERS CREDIT UNION ANNOUNCES GREENWOOD BRANCH GRAND REOPENING

The city of Greenwood has long been the home to one of Indiana Members Credit Union's (IMCU) largest branches. It has recently had quite the refresh! This location serves Johnson County, along with southern Marion County. The IMCU Greenwood Branch is conveniently located just east of the Greenwood Park Mall at 1115 N. Madison Ave.

With a tagline of "Keeping it Simple," Indiana Members Credit Union goes above and beyond to facilitate every member's banking needs. Prospective members can rest assured that IMCU has their best interest in mind since the organization is owned and operated by its members. As a not-for-profit financial institution, IMCUs profits are returned to members in the form of better rates and services.

Focused on technology, IMCU has been adding Interactive Teller Machines (ITMs) to its new and newly remodeled branches. ITMs offer unique functionality and more efficient service. Members utilizing the drive-thru are able to see and speak with a live teller as they process transactions during branch hours, transforming the drive-thru experience by providing more personalized member service.

Ron Collier, president and CEO of IMCU, stated, "The remodel of our Greenwood branch was designed to provide our members with a great service experience. We live the full-service, great member service concept that others talk about. The banking world is a world of numbers and electronics, but we believe it's also a world of people, and that's why we choose to make our members lives easier with not only the technologies we provide, but also the great staff we put in place to support them. We are excited to provide this newly remodeled, full service branch to our membership!"

The IMCU Greenwood Branch offers as part of its full-service menu, mortgage services, commercial lending, auto lending, auto advisor services, investments and more. In addition, IMCU offers convenient access to accounts via online and mobile banking, complete with alert options, mobile deposit and bill pay. IMCU prides itself on its business excellence and providing superior service to all members.

The public is welcome to join in the IMCU Greenwood Branch Grand Re-Opening Celebration which will include special appearances, door prizes, and refreshments and is scheduled for **Friday, August 24 and Saturday, August 25, 2018**. Visit IMCU.COM, or follow IMCU on Facebook for complete details.







Center, pictured left to right: Terry Renick, VP Branch Operations, Stacey Lynn, ASR, Danny Collier, Business Banker, Star Brenner, Teller Supervisor, Ted Mendenhall, Teller, Van Mawi, Teller, Jessica Billman, ASR, John Newett, SVP Operations, Debbie Dore, Mortgage Loan Originator, Matt Smith, ASR, Mimi Bateman, AVP, Branch Manager, Erin Connerley, ASSt. Teller Supervisor, and Donna Smedley, Teller

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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Sonja A. Adams

Sonja Ann Adams, 80, of Greenwood, died on Aug. 3, 2018. She was born on Sept. 8, 1937 in Electra, Texas, to Charlie and Thelma Keesee. She worked at Perry's Luggage and Gifts in Nora for 12 years and loved travelling, playing cards and spending time with her friends and family. She is survived by her husband, Charles Adams; children, Michael (April) Adams; David (Cindy) Adams, Daniel (Chip) Adams and Angela Adams of Indianapolis; brother, Michael (Sylvia Ann) Keesee of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; and grandchildren, Matthew Adams, Jacob Adams, David Vaughn, Ashley Vaughn and Nevaeh Vaughn. Sonja is preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Thelma Keese; brothers, Bobby Charles Keesee and Herman Keesee; and sister, Billie Jean Engledow. Visitation was held on Aug. 8 at Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care.

#### Carol A. Akers

Carol A. Akers, 73, of Greenwood, died on July 18, 2018. She was born on Dec. 2, 1944 in Greenwood to the late Henry and Ruth McRae. She retired from Eli Lilly's and loved to spend time with her grandsons and watching them play sports. She also enjoyed watching basketball, going to the horse track and to the casino. In her free time, she completed puzzles and loved playing cards. Survivors include her husband, Wally Akers and her grandsons, Bross Greene and Keegan Gephart. She is preceded in death by her daughter, Dawn Schlick. At Carol's request, there will be no public services.

#### Joseph Baughn

Joseph "Joe" Baughn, 75, died on July 11, 2018. Joe was born on March 29, 1943, in Columbia City, Indiana, to the late Winston Reece Baughn and the late Martha Hauser Baughn. He grew up in New Castle, Indiana. He graduated from Walter Chrysler Memorial High School in 1961 and Ball State University in 1966 with a major in English and minors in journalism and social science. Joe was preceded in death by a halfbrother, James Stamm; a brother, James Baughn; and a sister, Jane Ward Baughn (David) Solida; a nephew, Stephen Michael Kawalek; maternal grandparents, James E. and Fay Markle Hauser, paternal grandparents, Lauren and Anna Baughn; and step-father, Dr. Robert Rogers. Joe is survived by his wife; sons, Andrew and James; two daughters-in-law, Christine Baughn and Allison Baughn; and five grandchildren, Joshua, James, Kellen, David and Ellie, sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Judy and Gary Kawalek, and a great-nephew, Cameron Solida. Visitation was held July 15 at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home, with funeral services held on July 16. He was buried at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

#### **Dorothy Elizabeth Borkes**

Dorothy Elizabeth Borkes, 94, of Greenwood, died on Aug. 10, 2018. She was born on Sept. 7, 1923 in

Indianapolis to the late Carl J. and Leona Rebecca Meyer. Dorothy was a graduate of Manuel High School and studied at the Juilliard School of Music. She had a passion for china painting and various crafts, loved to play bingo and play cards. She was preceded in death



by her parents; her husband, Charles Leon Borkes; daughter-in-law, Ruth Borkes; and grandson, Charlie Borkes. Survivors include her children, Becki (Paul) Philhower, Steve Borkes and Debbie (Jim) England; grandchildren, Brittany (Eddie) Gonzalez, Eleanor (Edwin Schuurmans) Harding, Megan Phil-

hower, Beth England, Tim Philhower, Breanna England and Luci Borkes; and great-grandchildren, Zoe Dixon, Lillian Harding and Oscar Harding. A private graveside service will be held in Concordia Cemetery.

#### **Mark Lee Bruce**

Mark Lee Bruce, 60, of Greenwood, died on July 10, 2018. He was born on March 7, 1958 in Indianapolis. He was married for 27 years to Patty Bruce; she survives, along with daughters, Heather (John) Schaefer and Hannah Bruce; granddaughter, Adalyn; father, Ron Bruce; brother, Bob Bruce; and sister, Cathy Trice. He was preceded in death by his mother, Charlotte Bruce; and his brothers, Rick and Nick Bruce. Mark was an outdoorsman who enjoyed fishing, hunting, and walking the beach. He enjoyed playing cards and was a jokester who loved to have a good time. He loved being a new grandpa. Visitation was held on July 13 G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home A funeral service was conducted on July 14. Burial was held at The Gardens at Olive Branch.

#### Willis Criswell

Willis Criswell, 87, of Greenwood, died on July 13, 2018 in Greenwood. He was born Oct. 25, 1930 in Monticello, Kentucky, to Marion and Lora Edna (Gregory) Criswell. He loved to build and held a long career as a self-employed contractor. He was a minister of the gospel for over 40 years and was a member of the Harmony Missionary Baptist Church in Indianapolis where he had attended for over 20 years. Willis loved playing bluegrass music and his string guitar. He also enjoyed being outdoors and loved working in his yard as well as gardening. Willis stayed busy with his projects. Willis is survived by his children Deborah, Denise, David (Brenda), Donald (Vickey) Daniel, Dennis (Landra) and Douglas (Kimberly); several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; his siblings, Kelly Criswell and Mavis Hill, as well as several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife, Carol Ann Criswell; two sons, Devon and Dean; and his siblings, Irene, Jim, Leva and Lilly. Funeral services were held July 17 at Harmony Missionary Baptist Church with Brother Mike Criswell officiating. Burial followed at Washington Park East Cemetery. Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center handled the arrangements.

#### Theresa (Dezz) Gibson

Theresa (Dezz) Gibson died on July 20, 2018. Theresa (Teddy) was the daughter of Joseph and Theresa (Toth) Dezz. She was born on May 6, 1919 in Indianapolis. She was raised in Haughville and was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church for over 50 years. She was most recently a member of Our Lady of Greenwood Catholic Church in Greenwood. She married Johnny Gibson on October 26, 1941. She was proceeded in death by her husband of 41 years, three sisters, three brothers and two grandchildren. Surviving are her seven children, Joyce (Ron) Lahne, Joe Gibson (Catherine Opp), Suzanne Shear, Rita Robertson, Tom Gibson, Jerry Gibson and Diann Smith. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and eight greatgreat-grandchildren. Theresa retired from Western Electric in 1981 and enjoyed her retirement years reading, gardening and being with her extended family. A celebration of life was held July 25 at Our Lady of Greenwood Catholic Church, with a Mass of Christian Burial. Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery.

#### **Rodney Bryan Hervey**

Rodney "Rod" Bryan Hervey, 60, died on July 29,

2018. Rod was born in Cloverdale on Nov. 24, 1948 to Mildred and Sterling Hervey. He graduated from Cloverdale High School in 1966 and graduated from Indiana State University with a degree in political science. He married Carol Hervey; they had three children: Kelly Brooks, R.B. Hervey and Mark Hervey. Rod spent most of his professional life in the finance and mortgage lending industry. He coached tennis at Greenwood High School for 18 years. Rod enjoyed preparing food and catering events. He was a member of New Hope Church; he and Carol founded a ministry through New Hope, where they spent countless hours serving underprivileged youth on the Southside of Indianapolis. He played the keyboard for New Hope's worship team. Rod is preceded in death by his parents and younger brother, Mark Walter Hervey. He is survived by his wife, three children, three grandchildren, one great-grandchild and three siblings. Visitation was held Aug. 3 & 4 at New Hope Church with services held Aug. 4.

#### **Patric Andrew Irwin**

Patric Andrew Irwin, 52, of Greenwood, died on July 22, 2018. He was born on July 23, 1965 in Indianapolis to Herbert C. Irwin and Betty J. Fobes. Patric belonged to the Corvette Club, loved to work with wood and ride dirt bikes. Above all else, he loved his family. He is survived by his wife, April Irwin; daughters, Addison Irwin and Lauren Irwin; and a son, Logan Irwin; mother, Betty Jean Fobes; and sister, Angela Young; a brother, Phil (Nadine) Irwin of Apopka, Florida; stepmother, Lucy Irwin; and several nieces and nephews. Patric is preceded in death by his father, Herbert Irwin; brother, Rodney Irwin; and grandparents, Franchen and Albert Bidwell. Visitation was held on July 29 with a celebration following at Dye's Walk Country Club. Arrangements were made by Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care, Indianapolis.

#### **Bradley G. Kiesel**

Bradley G. Kiesel died on Aug. 1, 2018. He was born on Nov. 8, 1951 to Edwin and Lillian Kiesel in Ft. Branch, Indiana. He was the youngest of four brothers, Steve (Diane), Terry (Sharon) and Harvey (Sue). Terry preceded Brad in death. Brad moved to Indianapolis in 1966 and graduated from Southport High School. He attended Ball State University. He married Debbie (Lewis) Kiesel; she survives. Other survivors include two daughters, Allyson (Nate) and Sarah (Brandon); and six grandchildren, Sophia, Hanna, Jackson, Cameron, Jonathan and Carter. He was an avid cyclist, loved to hike, enjoyed landscaping and tending to his yard, enjoyed playing guitar and loved the Beatles. Brad retired as a Systems Analyst from Anthem in 2006. He and Debbie served as volunteers for Ronald McDonald house. Most recently, Brad served as a Hospitality Guide (CIO) at IU West Hospital. Visitation was held Aug. 6 from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory. A funeral was held Aug. 7 at Mt. Pleasant Christian Church.

#### Charles R. Landon, PhD

Charles "Chuck" Landon, PhD, 65, of Greenwood died on Aug. 8, 2018. He was born on Jan. 5, 1953

in South Bend, Indiana to the late Richard E. & Bernice G. (Ginther) Landon. Chuck was a naturopathic doctor and owned and operated Natures Cupboard for 20 years. He was a Shriner, Mason, Knights Templar, a Greenwood city councilman, lifetime member of the

John Birch Society and on the board of The Social of Greenwood. Chuck enjoyed helping people and

loved animals. He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Carolyn Landon. Services will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory.

#### William A. McHugh

William A. McHugh, 80, of Greenwood, died on Aug. 8, 2018 at Franciscan St. Francis Health in Indianapolis. Bill was born in Indianapolis on Aug. 22, 1937 to the late James and Mary (McGinley) McHugh. He was united in marriage to Norma Jean (Sedan) McHugh; she also precedes him in death. Bill served his country as a Corporal in the United States Army and proudly served his community as a fireman for the Indianapolis Fire Department for 28 years; he retired in 1995. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the National Firefighters Association. Bill is also preceded in death by all five of his siblings: James, Michael and John McHugh, Mary Margaret Dever and Roseliene Huck. Survivors include his two step-children, Dennis (Kristie) Fraga of Florida and Gail Napier of Indianapolis; two grandchildren, Kenny and Kara Fraga; three great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews. A celebration of Bill's life was held on Aug. 13 at Daniel F. O'Riley Funeral Home and a Mass of Christian Burial was held on Aug. 14 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

#### Monte E. O'Connor

Monte E. O'Connor, D.D.S., 87, died on July 27, 2018. He was born March 4, 1931 to William and Anna O'Connor. He married Helen A. Schwomeyer on Aug. 23, 1951. He graduated from Emmerich Manual High School, earned his B.S. from Butler University, served in the United States Air Force and then graduated from Indiana University School of Dentistry in 1960. He retired from his Southside dental practice in 1996. As an avid golfer and fly fisherman, he found tranquility in nature. Survivors include his wife, Helen O'Connor; children, Patricia O'Connor, Pamela O'Connor, Karen (William) Davis and Perry (Natalie Peck) O'Connor, four grandchildren, Katie Blackburn, Benjamin Davis, Brandon Davis and Breanna O'Connor and six great-grandchildren. The Rev. David Shadday conducted a service on Aug. 5 at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church. Swartz Family Community Mortuary and Memorial Center in Franklin handled the arrangements.

#### Michael V. O'Brien, Sr.

Michael V. "Mike" O'Brien, Sr., 77, of Greenwood, died on Aug. 3, 2018. Mike was born in Indianapolis on September 14, 1940 to the late James J. O'Brien, Sr. and Anna T. O'Brien. Mike was a 1959 graduate of Cathedral High School and a member of St. Jude Catholic Church. Mike is preceded in death by his wife, Peggy O'Brien; his sister, Patricia Norton; brothers, James J. O'Brien, Jr., John T. "Jack" O'Brien and Bernard "Bernie" O'Brien; sisters-in-law, Beatrice O'Brien, Betty Jo O'Brien, Marilyn Sue O'Brien and Kay O'Brien; and nephew, Christopher O'Brien. Mike is survived by his son, Michael V. O'Brien, Jr.; daughter, Jill A. Fanning; son-in-law, Larry J. Fanning; grandsons, Jon Michael (Rachel) O'Brien and Logan J. O'Brien; granddaughter, Alexandria M. Fanning; brothers, Robert O'Brien and Thomas O'Brien; and sisters, Mary O'Brien and Barbara Minatel. A Mass of Christian burial was conducted on Aug. 10 at St. Jude Catholic Church with burial at Holy Cross Cemetery.

#### Ana Luisa Quintero

Ana Luisa Quintero, 92, died on July 21, 2018 at Greenwood Village South. She was born March 7,

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1926 in Santurce, Puerto Rico, Ana lived in Puerto. Rico, New York, Florida, California and Indiana. She retired from the University of California, Berkeley. Proceeding retirement., she moved to Florida for five years and then to Sunnyvale, California, where she resided at Life's Gardens for 20 years. In 2014 she moved to Indiana and later became a resident at GVS. Ana was preceded in death by her parents, Roberto Quintero and Monserrate Bigio Quintero; and siblings, Wincho, Manolo, Jose and Nati. She is survived by her four children, Evelyn Santiago Cox, David Sanitago Jr., Robert (Angel) Santiago and Diana Ripoll (Jon) Kirkbride; four grandchildren, Xangelo Santiago, Juan Estrella, Jessica Cox and Mycol Estrella; and four great-grandchildren, Benjamin Meyer, Tristan Cox, Ichiro and Myumi Santiago. Ana is also survived by her sister, Carmen Chavez; and brother, Augustin Quintero of Carson City California; and several nieces and nephews. She enjoyed music, dancing and good food. She was known for being a wonderful cook. A celebration of life was held at GVS Chapel on July 24.

#### **Beulah Delois Rogers**

Beulah Delois Rogers, 88, of Indianapolis, died on Aug. 9, 2018 in Greenwood Health & Living. She

was born on Nov. 6, 1929 in Adair County, Kentucky to the late Wiley Calvin and Pearl Adams. Prior to moving to Indiana she farmed with her husband, Loshel, in Kentucky. She was preceded in death by her husband, Loshel Clyde Rogers; chil-



dren, Cardella Wilson, Jimmy Rogers and Eddie Rogers; and sister, Edna London. She loved her family and friends and enjoyed playing euchre, Yahtzee and the lottery. Survivors include her children, Alta Lohn, Ruby Goode, Debbie Sebastian and Billy (Deana) Rogers; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Services were held on Aug. 14 at Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremation Services. Burial was held in Floral Park.

#### **Bruce Joseph Shattuck**

Bruce Joseph Shattuck, 71, died on July 24, 2018. Bruce was born in Warren, Pennsylvania on March 5, 1947 to Fred W. and Martha Shattuck. Bruce graduated from Tri-State University in 1972 with a B.S. in Aeronautical Engineering after serving in the U.S. Air Force. He worked as a manufacturing engineer and operations executive for over 40 years. Bruce was an avid fisherman, golfer and tinkerer in his retirement. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Cheri (Andrews); his sons, Todd Shattuck and Jared Shattuck (Dr. Lori Shattuck) and his daughter, Julie (Rex) King; eight grandchildren, Hannah, Nathan, Abigail, Elizabeth, Caleb, Ashlynn, Carson and Sydney; sister, Kathy Bulicz; and beloved nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Ted, Paul and Dean. Visitation was held on July 28 at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch, followed by a memorial service.

#### **Gloria Jean Sozos**

Gloria Jean Sozos, 82, of Greenwood, died on Aug. 3, 2018. She was born on Dec. 22, 1935, in Boston, the daughter of Michael and Concetta Demetrus. She married Georgehos Sozos in New York City. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and a son, Nicholas Sozos. She is survived by one son, Michael (Janki) Sozos of Indianapolis; and five grand-

children. Gloria was a member of the Senior Citizens Club in Greenwood. She enjoyed drawing, gardening, singing and organizing parties. A celebration of life was held Aug. 10 at Norman F. Chance Funeral Home. She was buried at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

#### Dorinda L. Weidenbenner

Dorinda L. Weidenbenner, 80, of Greenwood, died on July 25, 2018. Dorinda was employed by Perry Public Schools as a speech therapist in 1960 and Hammond Public Schools from 1962 - 1965. She worked with the Indiana Department of Public Instruction from 1965 - 1969. She then returned to Perry Township, where she helped pioneer the development of RISE Special Services by serving as director of the Speech and Language pathologists. During her 46 years of being a dedicated educator, she was recognized for her leadership. She was loved and admired by the staff who worked with her. Dorinda retired from public schools in 2006 to care for her husband. She is survived by her sister, Susan (Rudell) Richardson; Kurt Weidenbenner; two nieces, Tamara Richardson and Kimberly (Dane) Houchin; two great-nephews, one great-niece, three great-great nieces and one great-great nephew. There will be no service at this time. Services will be private. Arrangements have been entrusted to Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory.

#### **Barbara Lynn Woudenberg**

Barbara Lynn Woudenberg, 67, of Greenwood, died on July 23, 2018. She was born on May 10, 1951 in Indianapolis. Barb graduated from the School of Practical Nursing in 1971. She worked at Winona Hospital in private practice in urology, OB/GYN and long-term care. She retired from Greenwood Health and Living. She was a fanatic about a clean house and loved to rescue animals (especially Cocker Spaniels). She made guilts and enjoyed politics. She and her husband, Steve, shared each other's love for Harley Davidsons and ieeps. Barb was preceded in death by her parents, Bob and Mary Jane Klier; her brother, David; and her husband Steve and their two dogs. Barb is survived by her brothers, Tom (Patricia) Klier and Robert (Hyon Sun) Klier; her uncle, Dick (Fern) Klier, many friends and her one-legged furry child, Hank. Visitation was held July 28 at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory.

#### Robert. J. Zaepfel

Robert J. Zaepfel died on July 23, 2018. Bob was born on Dec. 17, 1944 to Robert A. Zaepfel and Mary Francis (Vollmer) Zaepfel Glant. He attended St. Christopher's grade school and graduated from Cathedral High School in 1962. He attended Purdue University. He was employed by GM for over 30 years, working primarily for General Motors at Allison's in Indianapolis. He was in the Army Reserve from 1967 – 1971. He loved all forms of auto racing and attended the Indianapolis 500 for over 50 years without missing a race. He married Sharon Popplewell on Feb. 21, 1970; they were married for over 48 years. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, daughters Julie (Jason) Large and Leigh Ann Zaepfel; two grandchildren, Brenna Large and Andrew Large; and a brother, William (Patty) Zaepfel; and Lisa Zaepfel. He was preceded in death by his parents and by his sister, Patricia S. Zaepfel. Visitation was held on July 27 at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch. A mass of Christian burial was conducted on July 28 at Our Lady of the Greenwood Catholic Church. He was buried at Calvary Cemetery.



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# 5 tips to aid performance in the classroom

FAMILY FEATURE

With all the stress of a new school year, it can be difficult for students

to readjust to a healthy routine, but many experts agree that sleep is among the most important parts of that routine. Numerous studies demonstrate that children who sleep better learn better.

While you're busy shopping for pencils, book bags and notebooks, remember that a good night's sleep should also be at the top of your list this season. Make the transition easier with these five tips from Dr. Sujay Kansagra, director of Duke University's Pediatric Neurology Sleep Medicine Program and a sleep health consultant for Mattress Firm:

EASE INTO EARLIER BEDTIMES. For many children, the sudden shift to an earlier bedtime and wake-up call can pose a big challenge. Children who were accustomed to falling asleep later at night during the summer will have to slowly adjust their body clocks to move bedtime earlier during the school year. To ease children into the earlier sleep schedule, start moving bedtimes earlier by 10-15 minutes each night until reaching your end goal.

**ENSURE A COMFORTABLE SLEEPING ENVIRON-MENT.** Pay attention to factors like lighting and noise. It may be necessary, especially early in the school year when the days are still long, to add blackout curtains to help block bright light. If noise is a factor, consider adding some soft background music or a sound machine to serve as a buffer so other noises are less intrusive.

**BE SURE THE BED IS UP TO THE TASK.** Another environmental consideration is the bed itself. Mattresses are not always top-ofmind as you consider back-to-school shopping, but when sleep can have such an impact on your child's educational performance, the right mattress can help ensure students are getting quality zzz's at the start of a new school year.

**AVOID BRIGHT LIGHT PRIOR TO BEDTIME.** Aside from your window, there are also other sources of light that can affect sleep. Several studies have shown that excess screen time just before bed can have a negative impact on the brain's ability to transition into sleep mode. Try curbing screen time well before bedtime, or if your child must use screens, engage the night-reading feature, which alters the hue of the light for less impact.

**DEVELOP A CONSISTENT NIGHTTIME ROUTINE.** A routine performed 20-30 minutes prior to bed every night can subconsciously ease children's brains into sleep. A ritual that involves bathing, brushing teeth, talking about the day's events, discussing what's ahead for tomorrow and quiet time with a book are all ways to unwind together and slow down those active minds for a transition toward a peaceful night's rest.

Remember that sleep is vital for memory retention and cognitive performance. Without it, children may experience behavioral problems and other difficulties in school. Find more resources to help improve your kids' sleep, including tips on how to purchase a new mattress, at DailyDoze.com.

#### Nikki Purdue

#### Special education teacher helps busy families stress a little less

#### **By Nancy Price**

Nikki Purdue knew she wanted to be a special education teacher from the time she was 13.

When the Center Grove resident was growing up and living in Perry Township, a friend invited her to help at Rise Learning Center, a special education school, to interact with the kids. Purdue, on summer break and a middle school student at the time, assisted the school as a peer helper.

"We took (the students) out in the community, to summer camps, to go swimming and to the grocery stores," she said. "It was a lot of fun. I could help someone out and help them to be more functional in society (later) as an adult. It was the little

successes that mean a lot to kids and their families. I volunteered each day during the summers until I graduated high school."

Purdue went on to study severe disabilities and severe emotional disabilities at Purdue University. There was a dozen of her classmates who were in the same program that allowed them to teach both at the primary and secondary level. "There's not a lot of us with those skills," she said. Purdue then attended IUPUI to receive her master's in early childhood education and began teaching school in Washington Township.

Today, the wife and mother of three teaches special education at Maple Grove Elementary School. Purdue stated that she enjoys watching the kids succeed, laughing with

them and making sure their individual needs are met while having a more laid-back classroom environment. In addition, she noted that she has also learned from them.

"Being a special ed teacher has definitely taught me to be more patient and think outside the box. It actually helped me to become a parent. It opened up my family's eyes in knowing that (the students) are just like anyone else. They just might look a little different."

Purdue is married to Troy and has two girls and a boy, Delaney, 9, Hudson, 7 and Monroe, 4. Along with being a teacher, wife and mother, while shuttling her kids to dance and ninja classes, she understands that life can be overwhelming.

Purdue decided that she wanted to

help even more people with the skills she has learned as a teacher and parent by starting a blog called anchorofthefamily.com (there is also a Facebook page: Anchor of the Family). The blog is devoted to helping busy parents achieve a healthy balance along with other demands in their lives.

"I've always wanted to help other people and always wanted to be a momma and have a lot of kids. I saw my friends struggling with their families and they would ask, 'How do you do that?' I thought, What if I started a blog? As I've gotten older, I see more women struggling. I was just trying to show people how it can be easier when you're constantly on the go and still make things special for your kids," she said.

#### What do you consider your greatest virtue?

My patience and how to always be open, I welcome everyone. I'm nurturing and always have an open-door policy to my classroom. Families come in when they want to. I've helped build relationships with families over the years.

What upsets you? Probably the thing that upsets me the most is injustice and abuse against others. I will never understand how a person can cause ill will to another and how people can be accused of something with no proof behind it. Everyone deserves an even playing field.

What do you like best about Center Grove?
I love that they are always looking for new programs and methodologies to use

What's your favorite Southside eatery? We love going to Hotcakes Emporium.

with students.

If you had to live anywhere else in the Metro Indianapolis area, where would it be? I would love to live downtown. I love the urbanness of it; you can walk to go out to eat. You can walk your dog, go get some ice cream. I like to be able to go out and walk to places and the diversity that downtown offers.

If you could begin life over, what would you change? I think I would have taken more risks, traveled more and had more hobbies and interests.

If money were no issue, how would you spend it? I would give everything I could to teachers. Many teachers give so much time

and money of their own that goes unnoticed. Teachers take on a lot more than people think.

And I would give everything I could to families with disabilities. They have so many expenses that the majority of families will never experience.

What makes you happiest? Being around my family and friends for sure.

Pick three adjectives that best describe you. Patient, lighthearted and nurturing.

What do you do with idle time? Friday nights we have a tradition: we get pizza and watch a movie in the basement.

What would you change about our culture if you could? The level of caring and compassion. The wrongdoing and doing horrendous acts to others.

What is your favorite vacation spot? My top 2 are South Haven, Michigan and Disney World.

How do you escape from reality? Real Housewives.

What do you love most in life? Being around my family and my friends. Going out and experiencing things. I like to do more experiences because they create longer memories.

Which living
person in Center
Grove do you most
admire? Ambrosia
Sauer for sure. We
grew up together and
we were best friends
in elementary and
middle school and
she is the reason

I got involved in special education.
She has MS and four boys (three of which are triplets!). I only have one boy and he has a whole lot of energy! She is working alongside her husband and living life to the fullest.

What quality do you admire most in another person? Determination.

What is your greatest extravagance? For me, traveling is a must and life coaching. Traveling makes lasting memories and they last forever. I love to be able to see what else lies beyond Indiana. I grew up traveling and still love it. I also like to spend my money on life coaching. It's not easy and it's a lot of work. When you put the work in and really listen, it truly pays off.

What is your greatest fear? Failure

What has been the happiest time of your life? Multiple ones, but I think once I was settled in my job and started raising my own family and coming into adulthood for me.

Is there a special talent you really wish you had? I would love to be athletic and I am not.

What do you most value in your friends?

Their own level of compassion. Doing things for others and having a tribe mentality of, "you take care of others and they take care of you" and trustworthiness.

What tenet do you live by? I've learned this to be very true in my life, good or bad. How you do one thing is how you do everything.

What would people be surprised to learn about you? I'm a history nerd. I love to learn about the history of a region. I love to learn about the ancestry of my family. Learning how people lived and their customs is so intriguing to me.

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#### **GCAHS** cross-country serves at Gleaners

**Charity - Members of Greenwood** Christian Academy High School's cross-country team jumped into the 2018-2019 season with an evening serving the hungry at Gleaners Food Bank. In their three-and-a-half hours at the food pantry they served well over 125 families. The student athletes stocked pantry shelves, helped families shop, bagged groceries and

carried groceries to cars. They saw first-hand that folks needing help look no different than those that we go to school and church with. When asked about something that stood out to the athletes, they each mentioned the same person: a nice lady that seemed happy that she had landed two jobs and was praying that she would not have to come to the food pantry soon. The coaches said that they were proud of how the athletes jumped in and worked so hard.

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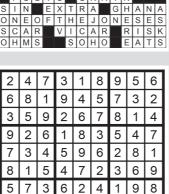
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