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SWEATIN' IN '18

Greenwood fitness experts share the benefits of exercise, what's trending this year and advice for beginners

COVER STORY

Compiled by Nicole Davis

Among the most popular New Year's resolutions for 2018, according to data from Google by iQuanit, is to get healthy. Really, that one tops the list every year. Now let's make that resolution stick.

Center Grove residents have plenty of local resources to help them achieve their goal, be it to lose weight, get stronger, eat better or live a healthier lifestyle overall. With so many choices - personal trainers, CrossFit, cycling, yoga, pilates, martial arts, dance and so much more - the number of local gyms are too many to list. Instead, the ICON has compiled a Q&A from Southside gyms, giving readers advice on how to be successful with those fitness goals, descriptions of different workout options and tips for newbies.

9 Round

What is the key to being successful in your fitness goals? Consistency in both your workouts and your nutrition. You've heard the saying "you can't outwork bad nutrition!" and it is absolutely true. Track your food intake, optimize your macro's (protein, carbs and fat) and workout for 30 minutes a day, 3-4 days a week. Schedule your workouts on your smart phone just like any other appointment to carve out that time and then be intentional about keeping that appointment.

To help you keep that consistency, you need to find something that you enjoy doing or it will be like work and you won't be as likely to stay the course.

Describe your preferred exercise routine and why it works: Make sure you stretch and warm up to avoid injury. We recommend jumping rope as it gets your heart rate elevated and your muscles ready to work. To optimize metabolism and lose fat, HIIT (high intensity interval training) is a great way to achieve your fitness goals. Doing an aerobic activity (cardio, strength training) combined with strength or resistance training for 2-3 minutes, then 30 seconds of anaerobic activity (high intensity, short sprints or bag work) over and over (say for 9 rounds!?) works well.

Keep moving for the entirety of your 30-minute workout to again maximize your fat burn and increase your metabolism. Always stretch at the end of your workout as well.

What advice would you give to someone who is new to fitness prior to them choosing an exercise regiment? First and foremost, find something that you enjoy doing. If that is running, do it. If it's lifting, do that. We obviously think our 30-minute full-body kickboxing workout is not only effective, but fun! Secondly, You didn't get "out" of shape overnight, please don't expect to get "in" shape overnight. This means that you shouldn't go into any new regiment as hard as you can go... ramp up! The easiest way to derail your fitness goals is to get injured on the first day. You don't have to prove anything that first day or week. Get used to the workout and progress slowly until you can execute correctly. Rely on the trainer to help you with technique and form. If you don't have a trainer, especially if you're starting anew, you should find a gym that offers this service.

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What is the key to being successful in your fitness goals? Being consistent in your activities is the the best thing you can do to be successful in your fitness goals. When you start a new fitness activity you have to give yourself time to adjust to the training demands, both mental and physical, and you have to allow yourself time to really learn and understand the activity. People generally give up too quickly or fall off after a couple weeks when the excitement of "new" wears off and the hard work of consistency begins.

Describe your preferred exercise routine and why it works: My weekly routine is largely body based weight training for strength and functional movement activities to maintain flexibility. I train 6 days per week and flux between harder training days and softer training days. Excellence in alignment and form not only provide optimum strength, flexibility, and muscle tone but it creates a life long consistency for me to continually improve without fads, gimmicks, or the mental pitfalls of training.

What advice would you give to someone who is new to fitness prior to them choosing an exercise regiment? Find a skilled teacher. Find teachers and trainers who have long term experience training others in their field. Too many fitness trends have under educated instructors or trainers that

have only been doing the activity in their field for a couple months. Any activity can produce desired results, but a true and really good coach makes all the difference in your success and long term safety.

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What is the key to being successful in your fitness goals? Consistency. When it comes to reaching your goal you have to be consistent whether it be with your workouts, tracking your nutrition, drinking your water, sleep etc. When you are consistent with your work, you can measure your progress, and make adjustments as needed to get continued progress towards your goal(s).

Describe your preferred exercise routine and why it works: At MNF we focus primarily on resistance training with various training modalities. Specifically mixing resistance training with conditioning/ high intense exercise. The combination of the two results in a higher caloric burn during exercise and after-burn, the amount of calories you continue to burn once you stop working out. Also, you will build strength and definition while also training your anaerobic cardiovascular system.

What advice would you give to someone who is new to fitness prior to them choosing an exercise regiment? Whenever you start something new, it can be challenging, but to not let that scare you. The challenge is part of it. At the beginning, be open to the challenge to be doing something new and different. It's not until we push ourselves out of our comfort zone is when we see just how much we are capable of.

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UFit

What is the key to being successful in your fitness goals? There is no "key" to reaching your fitness goals,

but I will let you in on a little secret: Fitness is a lifestyle. If you want to lose weight and feel better you must change the way you live and the habits you have. This is where it gets hard because change is one of the hardest things any of us face and when you look at your life and start stressing over all the things you MIGHT have to change in order to truly see fitness success it keeps you from losing the weight and reaching your goals. Focus on small changes, one step at a time and I promise you will get there

Describe your preferred exercise routine and why it works: Functional fitness is the absolute best way to lose weight, get in shape, and live a healthy life. Functional fitness is all about improving our bodies ability to not just do more in the gym, but in life. Combined with a change to our lifestyle this form of fitness will get you in shape and build strong, healthy muscles and joints that will last a lifetime.

What advice would you give to someone who is new to fitness prior to them choosing an exercise regiment? Don't overthink it. We all have that voice in our head that tells us we can't do something and the moment we allow that to make us question our goals is the same moment we try to fight past every time we start a new journey. Yes, there will be ups and downs, yes it will be hard sometimes, but it WILL be worth it. If you are completely new to exercise or have any fear about not reaching your goals, you MUST HIRE a coach. A coach will keep you on the path to fitness results with a program to follow, habits to change, and of course accountability!

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What is the key to being successful in your fitness goals? Consistency is Key. Establishing a routine whether it be three or five or days

a week is crucial to see results from exercise, but consistency with nutrition is even more important. It's also key to be patient. Real results and success take time, so people should keep their routines for at least four - six weeks and then determine what adjustments, if any, need to be made.

Describe your preferred exercise routine and why it works: The preferred routine for myself and what we use at Victory Strength & Fitness is strength training with short rest intervals. When done safely, you can build lean muscle tissue while also improving your cardio vascular endurance. Newly formed muscle causes your metabolic rate to increase helping you burn unwanted pounds. The newly developed strength and endurance tends to create a better quality of life as well. Everyone benefits from having more strength and endurance, no matter what age. We use a wide variety of tools to accomplish this for our clientele.

What advice would you give to someone who is new to fitness prior to them choosing an exercise regiment? There are a lot of options out there. Here are three things to consider.

1. When narrowing it down, be sure that the program or system you choose has helped others with your body type or similar goals.
2. Ask yourself, "Will this be sustainable? Can I follow this exercise or nutrition program for however long to accomplish my goals?"
3. Consider hiring a professional. A specialist will be able to make sure you have safe technique and are using the appropriate weight for the right amount of repetitions. Many people injure themselves learning new exercises and end up halting their progress altogether. A qualified specialist will also be able to provide a plan to help you succeed. It's cliché, but true, "If you fail to plan, you plan to fail."

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TWEET of the MONTH



"Enjoyed some county basketball the last three days! Greenwood, Whiteland, Center Grove playing together over break!"



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Harold Ray served as a pilot during WWII, before opening Bargersville Airport. | Harold and Phyllis Ray. (Submitted photos)

Flying away to the Bargersville Airport. 1945-1950

By Jeff Beck

The Bargersville Airport, operational after World War II, was owned by local men and one local veteran. Harold Ray, one of the owners, served with honor as a pilot in World War II.

Harold has lived in Union Township and White River Township his entire life. Harold, today, is still driving and attends Bluff Creek Christian Church. Recently, Harold celebrated a memorable event by receiving the opportunity to travel with the Indy Honor Flight to the U.S. capital with other veterans. Harold married Phyllis Miller, also of Union Township, Providence community. The couple raised three children, Steve, David and Tammy, all Center Grove High School graduates. Phyllis entered heaven recently after serving at Bluff Creek, Eli Lilly, the community and her family for many productive and memorable years. Phyllis will be remembered as a lady who loved people, loved music and dressed well.

Harold, along with Russell Rund, Abbie Deer, Wayne Gillette and Paul Miller owned Bargersville Airport located two miles north of the SR135/144 intersection on the Westside of State Road 135. The men were all from Union Township except Wayne who lived in the Franklin community.

The men purchased approximately 47 acres shortly after WWII from the Sedam family for airport use, a one-half mile runway suitable for smaller type planes. Harold stated that power lines were a problem for larger planes, especially during take-off as the runway ran east and west. Harold said in an interview that crop dusting, personal flights for enjoy-

ment and training pilots was the main income source for the airport. Harold said many veterans returning from war were interested in learning how to fly. Larger planes would on occasion land at Bargersville airport with passengers. There is a story of one plane crashing at the airport and had to be hauled off by a semi-trailer for salvage. Russell Rund owned semi-trailers used for hauling farmer's grain and other items. Harold said the airport was proud of its three planes.

Abbie was farmer. Paul at one time owned a gas station in Bargersville. Russell owned trucking business. Harold worked and retired from Eli Lilly and Company, was businesses man also.

Noble and Martha Utterback came into the picture when the family purchased the airport. Land was originally owned by Noble Utterback's family (her mother was a Sedam). The couple, upon purchasing the land, ceased to use it as airport. Bargersville airport closed near 1950.

I talked by phone with Bill Utterback, the son of Martha and Noble. Bill, living in Virginia, had many memories of the airport. Bill, CGHS class of '65, recalled working on the runway, hanger and general chores prior to the airport closing.

Bargersville is growing. Maybe it's time for another airport? The land of the former airport is for sale - anyone ready to start another airport? Enjoy the memories.



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*.



Ella Thompson. (Submitted photo)

THE THOMPSON FILE

NAME: Ella Thompson	INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF BASKETBALL: Plays varsity soccer and is active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes
SPORT: Basketball	COLLEGE PLANS: Is entertaining offers to continue career in college
YEAR: Junior	PARENTS: Greg and Nikki Thompson
POSITION: Point guard	
EXPERIENCE: Two-year starter	
FAVORITE MOVIE: Hoosiers	

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Athlete of the Month

ELLA THOMPSON

By Rick Morwick

Ella Thompson has a shooting guard's touch, a point guard's skills and a defensive stopper's mentality.

Little wonder Center Grove girls basketball coach Kevin Stuckmeyer has a specialized term for the junior standout.

"She's kind of been what I call a combo guard for us, a point guard and shooting guard. She's done both," Stuckmeyer said. "It's not really a stat-stuffer mentality with her. She does really well in all categories. It's all the intangible things she does for us."

A two-year starter, Thompson is, technically speaking, the Trojans' point guard. But there's more to her game than bringing the ball up the floor and looking for open teammates.

Much more.

A gifted shooter, skilled ball-handler and fiery defender, Thompson is also, in a sense, a coach on the floor. If the Trojans need a basket, she can provide it. If they need an assist, she can dish it. If they need a stop, she can make it.

And if they need a change of direction, she sets the pace.

"I just try to do whatever coach wants me to do," said Thompson, who has started every game for the Class 4A 11-ranked Trojans. "Right now, he's got me on the point, just kind of controlling the game, controlling the team, keeping everyone calmed down."

"I just try to get other people involved." Besides excelling in traditional point guard categories, i.e. shooting, passing,

ball-handling and defending, the 5-foot-7 Thompson excels in an area seldom associated with backcourt players: Rebounding.

She leads the Trojans in that category. "She's just been really solid for us as far as being the leader on the floor and being able to compose our team when she has the ball in her hands," Stuckmeyer said. "The team just feels comfortable and much more composed when she has it."

"She just has a tremendous, even-keeled mentality."

In addition to leading the Trojans in rebounds, she also leads in assists, field goal shooting percentage, three-point shooting percentage and is second in scoring and steals.

Not surprisingly, Thompson already has a number of scholarship offers, including from the University of Indianapolis and Indiana Wesleyan University, and anticipates many more during a recruiting process she expects will continue into her senior year.

But for the moment, her basketball focus is on Center Grove's season and its bid for a lengthy postseason run.

"It's been a really good start to the season," Thompson said. "We're really clicking right now, team chemistry-wise, so from that standpoint things are going pretty well. As long as we continue to play as a team, we'll be all right."

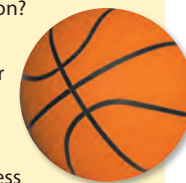
"As long as we play together, I definitely think we have a very good chance of winning sectionals and probably making a run at regionals."

Center Grove News Quiz

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

1 This edition's Athlete of the Month Ella Thompson is a junior standout on the basketball team, serving in what position?

- A. Power forward
 B. Defensive topper
 C. Shooting guard
 D. Point guard



2 In this year's fitness special section, Sweat in 18, what is one thing all of the local gyms interviewed stated is the key to being successful in fitness goals?

- A. Communication
 B. Consistency
 C. Determination
 D. Balanced lifestyle

3 Bargersville used to have an airport, which started shortly after what event?

- A. WWII
 B. Town incorporation
 C. A plane crashed in the area
 D. The Great Depression

4 ICON of the Month Linda Kilbert is the branch manager of the White River Branch library. What is one event she helped coordinate in 2017?

- A. Craft Night
 B. Solar Eclipse Viewing Party
 C. Family Movie Nights
 D. Tiny Tots Storytime



5 Center Grove Seniors Olivia Wright and Emma Jones are looking for sponsors for the second annual Jasper Strong _____ Cancer 3v3 event on Feb. 23 - 24.

- A. Defeat
 B. Shootout
 C. Block
 D. Defy

ANSWERS ON PAGE 27

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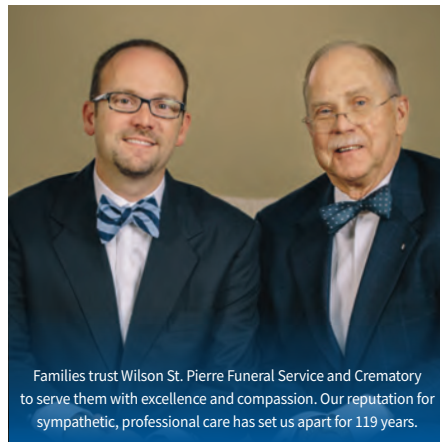
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The best way to put your mind at ease is to ask lots of questions and make observations. Even if you're not visiting our facility in Greenwood, here are some of the things you should keep in mind before, during and after taking a tour of a senior living community:

- 1. Pay attention to the staff.** The quality of the caregiving team is one of the most critical factors in whether residents maintain their health, happiness and sense of independence. Is the staff friendly?
- 2. Observe the current residents.** Do they seem active and engaged? Are they treated courteously and respectfully by the staff?
- 3. Is the community clean?** Observe both what you can see and what you can touch and smell. Ask about the housekeeping performed in the personal living spaces and common areas. Also inquire about laundry routines.

4. Talk to current residents and their families. Ask them for their honest opinions of the community.

5. Eat a meal at the community. Ask to share a meal with current residents during your visit. Ask about dining hours, menu choices and specialized needs.

6. Check out the activities. Try to visit when activities are going on so you can observe or even participate. Make sure the social calendar is full of events, hobbies, religious services, crafts and other things you or your loved one enjoy.

7. Examine the safety and security of the community. Do the bathrooms have grab bars and accessible showers and commodes? How do residents contact staff if they have an emergency? Is the community secure with all entrances monitored?

8. Ask about move-in and move-out procedures. Moving multiple times from place to place can be disruptive, especially to seniors or those with medical challenges. Ask about timing, requirements and procedures for moving in.

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Greenwood VFW Post presents Christmas help

Donation - VFW Post 5864 presented Christmas help in the amount of \$250 each to four Greenwood school families. The Greenwood Schools representatives who helped coordinate the effort and picked up the cards to deliver to the families included, from left, Samantha Young - Student Service Advisor, Greenwood High School; Emily House, MSW, LCSW - Student Service

Advisor, Westwood Elementary School; VFW Post member Don LaFontaine; Jaime Oeffinger -- Student Service Advisor, Northeast Elementary School and Erin Mrakovich -- Student Service Advisor, Isom Elementary School. House Committee member Don LaFontaine was at the Post for the presentation. Other recipients of Christmas help included six veteran families. Among those individuals receiving help were 24 children. Greenwood VFW provided just over \$2,100 for those needing help at Christmas.

Greenwood's Adam Allen named Top 100 Bank Advisors

Magazine - Adam Allen has been named as one of Bank Investment Consultant (BIC) magazine's Top 100 Bank Advisors for 2017. Allen is a Raymond James financial advisor located at Main-Source Bank, 1263 State Rd. 135, Greenwood, and is affiliated with the Financial Institutions Division of Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. (RJFS). Member FINRA/SIPC. The magazine evaluated the honorees on six variables, including assets under management, production, percentage growth in both AUM and production, fee business and the ratio of production-to-AUM. Allen joins 24 financial advisors who are affiliated with Raymond James and honored on this list, compiled annually by Bank Investment Consultant.



Center Grove homes sell quickly

Real estate - Homes in Center Grove continue to appreciate and sell quickly. According to F.C. Tucker, the average sale price for homes sold in Center Grove in November 2017 was \$263,352 at \$116.03 per square foot, a 23.6 percent sale price increase from November 2016. In addition, homes in the city sold in 64 days, eight days faster than this time last year.

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Jan. 28 – Feb. 3, 2018

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This year's theme is "Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed."

To recognize the contributions that these schools bring to the community, this issue of *Center Grove ICON* highlights what is happening in schools that serve the area and how Catholic education is meaningful to its students.

Serving the Center Grove area is Saints Francis & Clare Catholic School and Our Lady of the Greenwood Catholic School, both serving through eighth grades. Roncalli High School in Indianapolis serves the South Deanery of Indianapolis Archdiocese, which extends into Johnson County.

To learn more about the week about Catholic Schools Week, visit ncea.org.

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A photograph of a child's feet sticking out from under a white hospital bedsheet. The child is wearing purple pajamas. On the light-colored wooden floor in the foreground, a pair of pink, fuzzy bunny slippers with white polka dots on the inner ears is visible. The overall scene suggests a hospital setting with a focus on patient comfort and home-like care.

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Saints Francis & Clare Catholic School "What going to Catholic School means to me."

My name is Landon. I am in 4th grade of Saints Francis & Clare School. My school means a lot to me.



What I love about SSFC is the sports. The sports are fun. I play tackle football and basketball. My coach is nice. He is also a good coach. His name is Mr. Hayse. Father dave is a helper coach.

Something else I like is study trips. We have been to the state museum. We went to St. Mary of the Woods. We also went to meet the bishop. The last thin is the nursing home. My best field trip is St. Mary of the Woods. The best part is the wood cabin.

The last think is FIA (Fatih in Action). It is so fun. I like Christmas angels. You get to give presents to people that need them. We get to wrap the presents.

Landon Scott
4TH GRADE

My name is Tyler. I am in 4th grade at Saints Francis & Clare Catholic School. My school means a lot to me.



What I love about SSFC is my friends. A few of my friends are Hudson, Landon, Franky, Vinny, Jameson and Wyatt B. All of my friends are nice. It is good to have friends. Without friends you would be board.

I love how we do Faith in Action. I like the Christmas Angels. We give presents to people that don't have any. We also donate food to the food pantry. I hope to keep doing this. Another thing I like is our study trips. Our study trips are so fun. We get out of school.

Tyler Cary
4TH GRADE

My name is Nicholas. I am in the 4th grade at Saints Francis & Clare Catholic School. My school means a lot to me.



What I love about SSFC is we have Healthy Food Choices. One reason we need healthy food choices is because we need to keep our sports players in tip top shape. Another reason we need it is because we need to keep our brains clear so we can get smarter and work hard. It also may get us feeling better about work. Another reason might be that it will keep us active and healthy.

Another thing about SSFC that I like is we get Mass two times a week. I like that because I get to see the whole school come together and pray. I also like it because I get to sing. Something else I like about Mass is that sometimes your class can lead mass. That is fun and cool because the whole schools gets to see us.

I like SSFC because we get to do Faith and Action. I like Faith and Action because we get to learn and help the needy and poor. Honestly it feels good to give. We also get to wear our fish shirts and be out of uniform. So basically we put our faith in action! *I love SSFC.*

Nicholas Woodburn
4TH GRADE

My name is Ellie. I am in 4th grade at Saints Francis & Clare Catholic School. My school means a lot to me.



What I love about SSFC is mass. We have mass two times a week. We learn about Jesus, God, and Mary. Classes do mass, and we do some fun things too. What we do is the introduction, the homily and patitions and more. On one mass day the second graders have their first communion so they walk down the aisle with the 8th graders.

What I love about SSFC is Faith in Action. Faith in Action is when we wear spirit wear and we do nice things for people. For example, we give a certain food or cleaning product to the food pantry. During Christmas time we sign up to bring in a certain item then we wrap it and give it to a family. It feels great. Doing it is also fun.

What I love about SSFC is the education. What we do for education is fun. We have some fun activtys that the teachers give us or the kids create some fun. Some times a kid could be funny and cause the fun. Even though it sounds like we have a lot of fun we also learn a lot. I have learned multiplication, division and more.

I love the fun we have at our school!

Ellie Bishop
4TH GRADE

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Top left, third graders at SSFC. | Top right, 2017-18 staff. | Bottom left and right, 7th grade's Living Rosary. (Submitted photos)

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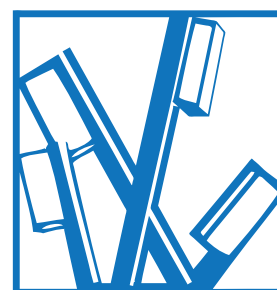
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Roncalli High School School

"Why I pursued a career in Catholic Education?"

During my 12 years of Catholic Education at St. Jude Catholic School and Roncalli High School my life was touched countless times by teachers, administrators and coaches. I felt a strong inner pull to give back. When I graduated from Butler University in 1983 I really did not consider any other teaching options other than those in Catholic education.

I have great respect for public education and those who teach in our public schools! However, I believe with all my heart that no educational experience compares to the experience found in our Catholic Schools. The mix

of a faith based education with academic excellence with a strong sense of community makes for an educational experience that is unmatched.

With over 290 years of Catholic education in America, I feel as if our schools are truly one of the great wonders of the world and one of the greatest assets in America!

Through 35 years of working in Catholic schools, I feel as if I have never worked a day in my life. It is a life giving vocation!

Mr. Chuck Weisenbach
PRINCIPAL

"What My Catholic Education Means to Me."

Everyone has a favorite thing, something special, but what is it that makes that something special, special? For some people it is a family picture, a childhood stuffed animal, a favorite movie, a favorite place to eat, or a favorite pair of socks, but what is that makes Catholic school special? As I had listed above, almost everything was a physical object that eventually we may outgrow, that will change, or that we may even lose, Catholic school is something that will not be outgrown, lost or forgotten, or change.

I have been in the Catholic school system since Kindergarten through twelfth grade. When I was in the younger grades understanding 'why a Catholic education' was hard to understand, but now that I have grown up some, matured a little bit, and have seen more of the outside world, I know why it is important.

The importance of a catholic education goes beyond the religion class. It is about being able to pray in school, being able to express your faith beliefs in a safe place, being able to ask questions about your faith, and knowing there is a safe place for you to believe in your faith is why Catholic schools are important and special.

There is something about walking a building everyday knowing that I will see Christ, knowing that my relationship with him will change in some way, and knowing that God will be with me even when I am no longer in Catholic schooling. Have there been times where I want to know what it would be like at a different school? Yes of course I have had those thoughts, but the truth is, I would not want to go anywhere else besides a Catholic school.

Madeleine Russell
SENIOR



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Roncalli Celebrates Catholic Education



- ◆ The Class of 2017 earned over \$27 million in college scholarships.
- ◆ Over 65% of the RHS Class of 2017 graduated with an Academic Honors Diploma or higher.
- ◆ Roncalli awarded over \$2 million in need-based tuition assistance to RHS families for the 2017-2018 school year.
- ◆ In the past 25 years, Roncalli students have collected more than 2 million canned food items for the poor.
- ◆ The Class of 2017 completed over 51,800 hours of community service during their four years at RHS, with every Roncalli student performing more than 178 hours of community service prior to graduation.



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Roncalli High School "What going to Catholic School means to me."

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Before I attended Roncalli High School, I went to public school, a place where faith was hard to find. I have grown up Catholic and attended St. Jude parish for many years. I enjoy talking about my faith and living it out, which is something that is rather difficult to do in public schools. For the most part, any talk about religion was forbidden at the schools I attended and it was difficult to live out my faith at the schools I attended. Not being able to talk about God with my peers hindered my Catholic journey. However, when I switched to Roncalli High School, everything changed.

Before I came to Roncalli, I went to Mass weekly. However, I was not fully living the Catholic life. I treated others the way I wished to be treated, but I did not dedicate my life to God. My



perspective changed from the minute I walked into Roncalli as I could talk about my beliefs and learn about my faith. I have grown so much in my faith in the past four years simply from being surrounded by people that love God just as much as I do and live their lives according to His will. I have become more involved in my faith by helping teach Religious Education, helping with the Confirmation program at St. Jude, and doing service projects. Not only has my experience at Roncalli helped me to share my beliefs, but it has also challenged me to stay true to my beliefs even when others disagree. Roncalli has challenged me in my beliefs and given me the religious growth I so desperately needed. Getting a Catholic education has made me into the person I am today, someone who loves God and wants to spread His message by serving others.

Morgan Kincaid
SENIOR

Roncalli and St. Barnabas have been my home away from home. As I have progressed and gone through grade after grade, one thing has been there for me since the beginning, God. God is the reason I went to those schools, He is reason all the kids in the school are able to get such a high level of education. As I reflect on my time in a Catholic school, I realize just how much a Catholic education has meant to me.

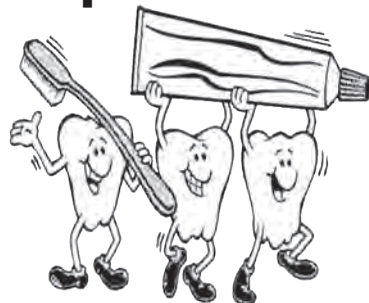
Roncalli, especially, was the family that guided me to my faith. Just walking through the halls helps me really understand how special Roncalli is. Not many schools can say that between the times 9:13 and 9:16, 9:20 on Thursday, all the students stop what they're doing and pray together. It is really something that if I just stop to think about, it brings a smile to my face. My classmates and I have been together ever since we were kindergarten. This

is personally one of my favorite parts about Roncalli and really any Catholic school. I honestly feel like if I ever needed help with anything, I would be able to count on any of my classmates for help, and I know I would do the same for them.

This closeness of the students is something that cannot be replaced. As I close the chapter on my high school life and start to write a new chapter, I plan to take what I have learned from these wonderful past twelve years. A great president named John F. Kennedy once said, "Forgive your enemies, but don't forget their names." In twenty years I will not remember the grade I got in chemistry with Mrs. Rose or the grade I got in World History with Mrs. Bemis, but what I will remember is the memories I have created with the people from Roncalli and the gift of my Catholic education.

Kellen Schreiber
SENIOR

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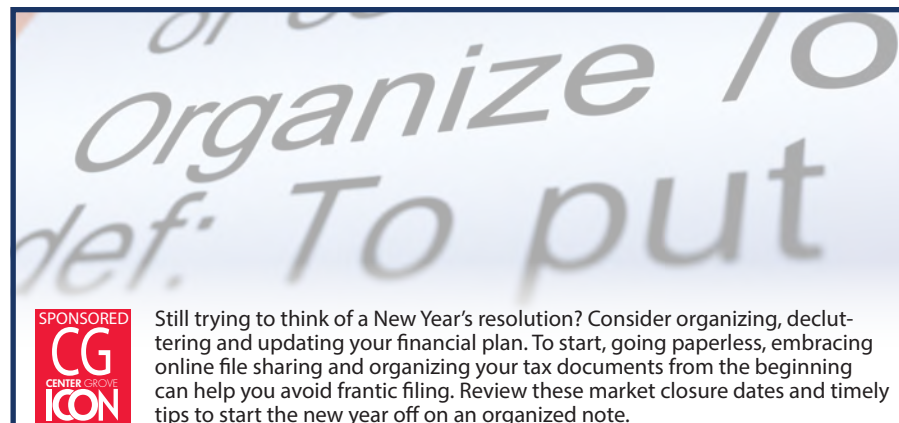
Festival Country Indiana awards \$27,000 in tourism grants in Johnson County

Nonprofits - Festival Country Indiana, Johnson County's official tourism agency, has selected 10 nonprofit organizations and other groups to receive \$27,000 in grant funding to help develop and promote festivals and other tourism-related initiatives. In 2018, Festival Country Indiana will provide the following grants: Artcraft Theatre Film Festival, \$2,500; Aspire Johnson County activity book for children, \$2,500; Franklin Parks Halloween Town, \$2,500; Johnson County Parks disc golf course construction, \$5,000, and marketing, \$2,500; Discover Downtown Franklin brochures, \$1,000; Greenwood Parks summer concert series adult night, \$2,500; Bargersville Harvest Moon Festival, \$2,500; Funny Farm Petcare monthly farmers market for pets, \$1,000; Johnson County Public Library Little Library on the Prairie pioneer festival, \$2,500; and Edin-

burgh Fall Festival, \$2,500. The tourism board initially allotted \$20,000 to fund grants during 2018, but increased the funding total to \$27,000. For more information, visit festivalcountryindiana.com.

Youth Connections hosts Happy SHOE Year

Donations - Youth Connections is starting 2018 with a "Happy SHOE Year" fundraiser by collecting gently-worn, used and new shoes. All donations will be redistributed to micro-enterprise partners and used in developing nations for impoverished people to start their own business. The funds raised for Youth Connections will be determined by the total weight of shoes collected. Beginning Jan. 29 - March 29, individuals can drop off shoes at: First Financial Bank in Franklin and Greenwood; Home Bank in Greenwood or Martinsville; Horizon Bank in Franklin, Greenwood South and Greenwood West or the Youth Connections office. For more information, contact Jamie Perry, (317) 738-3273 or jperry@youthconnections.org.



Still trying to think of a New Year's resolution? Consider organizing, decluttering and updating your financial plan. To start, going paperless, embracing online file sharing and organizing your tax documents from the beginning can help you avoid frantic filing. Review these market closure dates and timely tips to start the new year off on an organized note.

Start the New Year with an Organized Outlook

Planning To-Do's

Get organized: Sign up to view your accounts online and go paperless to reduce clutter. Additionally, consider organizing your personal and financial documents by uploading them to a file sharing or content management platform.

Rev up your retirement: Confirm that employer retirement plan contributions take advantage of any available employer match. Maximize IRA contributions early in the year so they will have more time to generate tax-deferred gains; you have until mid-April to do so for the previous year. If you are 50 or older, ask your advisor about catch-up contributions.

Optimize health spending: If you participate in a flexible spending account (FSA) or health savings account (HSA), review your contribution levels to take full advantage based on your family's needs – without exceeding applicable limits. If you have an FSA, utilize available funds before your plan's use-it-or-lose-it deadline.

Face the future: Have major new expenses that must be planned for in advance? Conduct a cash flow and liquidity analysis for the coming year to garner essential information. Additionally, prioritize how you'll apply available savings, perhaps by paying down high-interest debt, building or maintaining an emergency fund, or increasing retirement savings.

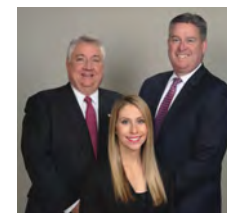
Bolster benefits: Research your company's open enrollment schedule and decide whether you need to make changes to your benefits.

Avoid frenzied filing: Keep your tax documents organized as they arrive so you're prepared when it's time to file. Talk to your advisor about coordinating with your tax professional to ensure everything is in order.

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OUR VIEW

Furry friends in the frigid cold

We love our furry friends – and we know our readers do, too. With the temperature outside (finally) dropping, please remember to bring those pets inside. Indiana has an ordinance which regulates that dogs must be brought inside when the temperature drops below 20 degrees Fahrenheit outside. Yet, the Humane Society of Johnson County stated on its social media that Johnson County has a “blanket temperature ordinance” for animals. Animal control officers can only enforce the law, which states nothing about which temperature is considered neglect to leave them outside.

“We have been inundated with phone calls about animals out in these elements,” wrote the humane society on Jan. 2. “With many community members still concerned, we are going to look for answers to these questions. We are going to look for answers to protect the animals of Johnson County. We are starting by calling every city in the county to find out their ordinance. Marion County we are looking at you for an example Let’s do this for our animals, no excuse.”

People continue to leave pups outside, probably under the misconception that their fur is meant to keep them warm. It’s not. We hope that more people can educate themselves on how to properly care for outside animals in extreme temperatures, and thank everyone who does their part to keep them safe. We look forward to what the humane society may be able to achieve through their investigation into this issue.

Stay warm out there (pets included)!



BELIEVE...

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

In Montana, it is a misdemeanor to show movies that depict acts of felonious crime.

SOURCE: dumblaws.com

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How your new Christmas gift will get you arrested

HUMOR By Gus Pearcy

Ok, I’m trying to figure out why Facebook and Amazon think I paint my nails. As I’m browsing my newsfeed on Facebook, I get these random ads that usually coincide with my interests. Yet, the ones from Amazon.com, a slider of photos I can’t figure out.

The mystery makes me poke, every time. Magically, I am internet-transported to the item description on Amazon. It’s like an interactive version of the Liar’s Club (an old TV show where they take unusual items and make up stories about what it is. Contestants have to pick the liar telling the truth). The list of items are usually themed for like kitchen utensils or car accessories.

Today, my Facebook feed shows me a rubber dual-finger ring that is topped with a chef’s hat. The hat is split in quarters on top. It’s green. I’m intrigued and, like the curious, dead cat, poke to find out what it is. It’s a holder for fingernail polish bottles while painting your fingernails. I go back and find that each item is a fingernail painting apparatus. Why? I can’t imagine that I’ve ever given Facebook or Amazon the idea that I paint my fingernails.

The internet and this new wave of devices that connect to it are starting to get very scary. Did you get a new Amazon Echo or Google Assistant for Christmas? Maybe you just recently started using Siri on your iPhone. Well, you will never be alone again. In order to have these devices jump to your

command, the manufacturers are recording everything in your home.

I’m not kidding and no, I don’t have other conspiracy theories.

Last year, an investigation into a drug murder had the police issuing a warrant to Amazon. The police believed that when the notorious drug dealer killed the low-level, double-crossing drug dealer, Alexa was recording the whole event. Hey, Alexa, record my murder!

Nah, that’s not how it happened.

But, just in case, someone should say, “Hey, Alexa (or Google, or Siri)!” These devices have to be ready. Of course, you know if you type something into Google, you will get a rash of ads for similar products or retailers who sell the thing you are searching for. Why wouldn’t they use the info from the recordings to also show you items you might buy?

Let that be your warning. If you are planning something illegal, turn off your Alexa or Google or Siri.

Since I’m typing this on a device connected to the internet, I’ll try an experiment: FREE TRIPS TO HAWAII.

I still don’t know why I’m being shown fingernail painting items.



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THUMBS UP THUMBS DOWN

To the Center Grove students from Sugar Grove Elementary’s Student Council kids who delivering a check for \$1,000 to Riley Children’s Hospital - a great community service project!



To the Center Grove Education Foundation. Last year, CGEF was able to award over \$57,000 in grants benefiting students & teachers in Center Grove Schools. Consider supporting their efforts with a tax-deductible gift: weblink.donorperfect.com/CGEFDonation

To Center Grove High School 4A basketball player Cassidy Hardin for leading the state in 3-point field goals made in the season at (56). Hardin was also named to the All-Tournament Team.



To Scott and Christy on their engagement on New Year’s Eve at the Barn at Bayhorse Inn. What a great way to start the new year!

QUOTE

“Physical fitness is not only one of the most important keys to a healthy body, it is the basis of dynamic and creative intellectual activity.”

– John F. Kennedy

EVENTS calendar

Four Artist Exhibit • This show, presented by local professional artists Ron Mack, Donna Shortt, Lisa Guckelberg, and Beverly S. Mathis, will showcase the many different media and styles of fine art taught in their classes. Most of the artworks will be for sale. | When: Now - Jan. 31 during gallery hours, Wednesdays - Saturdays, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. | Where: Southside Art League, 299 E. Broadway St., Greenwood. | Info: southsideartleague.org.

Expand Your Understanding of Dogs • Join for a series classes with dog trainer Katherine Smith. | When: Jan. 17, 6 - 7 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Stories From the Field • Members of the Russia Christmas Team will share their experiences. | When: Jan. 18, 6 - 9 p.m. | Where: Coffeehouse Five, 323 Market Plaza, Greenwood. | Info: (317) 300-4330.

Family Engineering • Build and test projects together as a family! Conquer the challenges by using problem solving and creativity. | When: Jan. 20, 10 - 11 a.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Everyday Cosplay • Get ideas on how to put together outfits from Disney Bound to Doctor Who, and make a Shrinky Dink accessory to take home. Attendee must be between the grades of 8 and Adult. | When: Jan. 23, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Bingo Fun • Let's play Bingo! | When: Jan. 24, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Fitness for Your Busy Lifestyle • Exercising more and eating better are popular New Years resolutions. Join Jon Kim from Anytime Fitness as he gives tips and advice on how to turn those resolutions into reality. | When: Jan. 24, 6:30 - 8 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Trivia Night • "Trivia Night" will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month. There will be six rounds of three questions (18 questions and one final question). Points will be given to those who answer the questions by the individual asking the questions. The event will cost \$2 per person and prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place positions. The prize money is \$60 for the first-place team; \$40 for the second-place team; and \$20 for the third-place team. A team will consist of up to four (4) people. | When: Jan. 30, 6:30 p.m. | Where: 333 S. Washington St., in Greenwood. | Info: (317) 888-2488.

Drawing Figures from the Heart and Brain • In January, Franklin College will welcome guest artist-in-residence Stephen Cefalo to campus. Cefalo will teach a Winter Term class titled, "Drawing Figures from the Heart and Brain," which will focus on the architecture of the human form. At the completion of this course, he and his students will exhibit their works together from Monday, January 29 through Tuesday, February 13, 2018. To conclude the exhibit, Cefalo will present the lecture,

"Human: The Divine Template." | When: Feb. 13, 7 p.m. | Where: Franklin College, Henderson Conference Room on the second floor of the Johnson Center for Fine Arts. | Info: franklincollege.edu.

Valentine's Crafts • Make some fun valentines to share with family and friends. | When: Feb. 5, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Craft Night: Beaded Earrings • Adults - teens: Make pretty dangle earrings for pierced or non-pierced ears. All materials provided. | When: Feb. 5, 6:30 - 8 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Queen of Free: Mini Coupon Course • Adults, develop an organizational strategy that works. Spend a minimal amount of time clipping coupons and planning your trip. Receive expert tips for the stores you shop. Leave with a game plan to save more money each time you hit the aisles. | When: Feb. 6, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Wood Painting Party4All • Join a wood painting party using vinyl stencils to make a signing. Choose from more than 500 designs and 6 stain colors. Reserve a spot by Jan. 31, 10 a.m. | When: Feb. 7, 6 - 9 p.m. | Where: Vino Villa, 200 N. Madison Ave., Greenwood. | Info: (317) 882-9463, vinovilla.com.

Chocolate Creations • Create chocolate covered pretzels, strawberries and molds in time for Valentine's Day. All ages, \$20. | When: Feb. 9, 5 - 8 p.m. | Where: Whisk Bakery & Catering, 399 S. State Rd. 135, Greenwood. | Info: (317) 362-5463.

Minute to Win It Olympics • Defeat the clock and go for the Gold in silly challenges! Attendee must be between the ages of 5 Years and 12 Years old. | When: Feb. 13, 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. | Where: White River Branch Library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Valentine's Day • For some, Feb. 14 will be the first Valentine's Day without a loved one. For that reason, Forest Lawn Memory Gardens and Funeral Home has created a special Valentine's Day Luncheon Event. Registration is required. | When: Feb. 14, 11:30 a.m. | Where: 2080 S. State Rd. 135, Greenwood. | Info: (317) 535-9003.

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Getting to know Carmelina...

- I have a 2 1/2 year old. My husband and I have been married for 7 years.
- I'm a reader. I read just about anything that seems interesting. I tend to lend to more futuristic fiction, anything that takes you away from the day in and day out.
- I love decorating. With my design background, I can sew. I'll do the curtains and stuff here.
- I'm one of those people that if I don't know how to do something, it bothers me. So I try to self-educate. I'm always trying to learn something new.

How did Carmelina do it?

BEST ADVICE:

You have to take on one thing at a time.

WORST ADVICE:

The worst advice I get on occasion, it's more when people want to go back and do or have things that were done in the past. I've always been a forward thinker. Things are in the past for a reason.

BEST BUSINESS DECISION:

Focusing on getting a good, quality staff, making sure the people I choose can work well together. Making sure everyone understands we are a very team-focused business. I've always thought in the management world, I shouldn't ask of anyone that I won't do myself, so I've done everything from doing dishes to cleaning bathrooms, cook on the line, host, bartend. I expect everyone to do that same.

SECRET TO SUCCESS:

Staying true to our family recipes, trying not to deviate too much, but moving forward and getting some new things.

IN 5 YEARS...

I want to be part of the growth in our community. I want to see the businesses here on Main Street succeed and help anybody on Main Street any way I can. I love to see us be what the Next Stop, Beech Grove focus is, a destination for families and events, and get ourselves out there like other towns have. With that, I'm sure our business will grow.

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Carrying on the cuisine

Carmelina Pizzi, self-deemed "owner in training," carries on family traditions at Napoli Villa Italian Restaurant

By Nicole Davis

As a child, Carmelina Pizzi enjoyed going into Napoli Villa Italian Restaurant and helping her mother with the work: folding napkins or doing dishes. While she and her siblings were always taught that running the family business did not have to be their choice of career, Carmelina's path has turned back to the restaurant. As "owner-in-training," as she calls it, she has worked alongside her mother to learn the ins and outs of the growing business for the past five years.

"It just made sense to continue the business," she said. "I couldn't see it changing hands to someone out of the family. I didn't think anyone would care as much as we have. It was (a good move) for my mom and I both."

Napoli Villa on Main Street in Beech Grove was started by Guerino and Carmela Cento in 1962. Guerino had been in the U.S. for approximately five years, having immigrated from Southern Italy. The Centos' daughter, Antoinette Pizzi, has been sole owner since 1985.

"When my mom came on here full time, I was five years old," Carmelina said. "She managed to get the business up and going again. It was temporarily closed. I remember five years old, going over to auction houses with her to get equipment, things we needed for the restaurant. My mom did a lot on her own. There were days in the early parts of the business where she was running everything, the only person cooking. Things are different now. I have a full staff."

Carmelina did venture away from the family business for awhile. She attended Indiana University, earning bachelor's degrees in merchandising, design and education with a minor in business. Her two brothers were business/finance majors, and are still the go-to people when making decisions for the family restaurant.

Carmelina and Antionette alternate which days they work at the restaurant, a situation which Carmelina said has worked out well for them both.

"Since I've been here, we've ran increases every year," she said. "We're busy, trying to keep up with the weekend business. Through the week, it seems more local. The weekends, we're more of a destination place. We get a lot of customers from further away."

That growth, Carmelina said, can be attributed to a lot of factors, but it's primar-

ily due to their consistent service and focus on Southern Italian cuisine, traditional foods made from recipes her grandfather used. While some new items have been added, most of the recipes have been handed down. Many things are made from scratch, including the tiramisu, cannoli, lasagna and all of Napoli's sauces.

"We're trying to grow the business and move forward in a direction that can grow with the demand, trying not to be stagnant," Carmelina said. "In the next year, we're looking at a new menu setup, re-vamping the wine list and cocktail menu."

Along with progressing their own business, the Napoli owners are members of the Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce and Next Stop, Beech Grove. Through that community involvement, Carmelina said she hopes to be part of the revitalization of Main Street and tries to be part of any functions those non-profits host.

Within the business, Carmelina said she loves getting to know their customers, their lives and hear stories about Napoli's past.

The interior of the restaurant has changed a lot since 1962. At one point, the business was conducted within three connected units. Guerino started the business where the bar currently sits. There used to be a carry-out facility. Napoli made changes in the 1990s to take that area out. They did renovation eight years ago to upgrade the flooring, ceiling walls, electrical, painting and restrooms. These changes were done to brighten up the business. While it's come a long way, Carmelina said she looks forward to continuing that family tradition and improving upon it.

"We're a family restaurant with a lot of regular customers," she said. "A lot of people that I consider friends come in to dine as well. They know about me and I know about them. We're all like a family, so we're pretty family oriented. It's more of a team atmosphere than an individual atmosphere. We're trying to keep up with our growing business. I like being able to work with my mom and see the growth that I've contributed to."

Carmelina Pizzi. (Photos by Nicole Davis)



PERSONNEL MATTERS

Best Year Ever?

By Mike Heffner

I don't know about you but I am optimistic about this year. Most of the small businesses I am in contact with all indicate that they expect growth in 2018. I have not spoken to anyone that has said they plan to see a decrease in business. There are still many challenges on the horizon but overall indications point towards this being a great year. Here are my thoughts on the trends that could have a major impact on business and our workforce.

There are jobs out there but the skills gap is worrisome

Across most industries, there are jobs to be found. However, candidates with the skills to fill in-demand positions are becoming fewer and far between. Attracting and retaining top performers continues to be one of the highest priorities for businesses. My clients tell me it's either "some-what" or "very" difficult to recruit for and fill positions. The top three reasons business leaders are telling me jobs are going unfilled are lack of applicants with experience, a shortage of applicants in general, and applicants not having the necessary hard skills. Keeping up with rising wages has also become a major challenge.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) will change how businesses operate

Many jobs have already been replaced by machines, and many more will see the same fate. Due to their technical nature, future jobs will likely require more skill and training. So, an emphasis on employee development will be the key to maintaining a productive workforce.

Millennials want to lead and want it now

One of the key strengths millennials bring to leadership roles is their tech savvy and ability to integrate new technology into the way their companies operate. They are also one of the most diverse generations in the workplace and actively seek out purpose-driven initiatives or ways to support important social and charitable causes with the work they do.

Baby Boomers still want to work

Some want to work full time, some part time but they are not ready to fully retire. From trying out new jobs to exploring entrepreneurship to mentoring younger generations of workers, the path to retirement is becoming less traditional for baby boomers. Businesses that actively embrace and help facilitate the changing retirement needs of older generations stand to benefit from the knowledge and experience they bring to the workforce.

I think 2018 could be one of the best years ever if the new tax laws help spur even more growth. I am concerned about the ability for the job market to sustain the growth that an increased demand can stimulate but the signs I see show cause for optimism none the less. I continue to urge those that will listen to make sure they are doing what they need to do to attract, engage and train the employees that they will need to grow. I like to say, "love 'em or lose 'em." I hope this is the best year ever for you and your team.



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BUSINESS

Southside homes sell a little slower in November

Real estate – Greenwood home sellers continue to see their homes appreciate, while Southport home sellers continue to see their properties sell quickly. According to F.C. Tucker, in November 2017 the average price for homes sold in Greenwood was \$167,547, a 22.6 percent increase from November 2016. However, Greenwood homes spent more time on the market, selling in 43 days, or 13.2 percent slower



than November 2016. The average price for Southport homes sold, on the other hand, was \$137,377, a 3.2 percent decrease from November 2016. Southport homes sold in an average of 54 days, or 16.9 percent faster than November 2016.

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Getting the scoop on Bitcoin

By Andrew Angle

By now you have heard the words "Bitcoin" and "cryptocurrency." Relatively few people know what it is. Far fewer actually own some.

This article cannot tell you everything there is to know about the subject. What I will do is try to whet your appetite for becoming a little more familiar with this phenomenon that, as of this writing, has a market cap of more than \$600 BILLION dollars, and appears to be rapidly approaching the one TRILLION DOLLAR mark. My disclaimer is that I am a newbie on this subject, and the only financial advice I have for you is, "Don't spend more than you can afford to lose." I, myself, have spent a whopping \$100 to buy a piece of LiteCoin just to jump in the game and find out what it's about.

Wikipedia definition: "A cryptocurrency is a digital asset designed to work as a medium of exchange that uses cryptography to secure its transactions, to control the creation of additional units, and to verify the transfer of assets." It's also known as "currency for the Internet". The only way to use US dollars to pay someone online, you have to go through banks. The bank and transaction processor take between 3 percent to 11 percent of the transaction for themselves. Plus, they typically hold onto the funds for up to 7 days. With cryptocurrency, the transaction fee can amount to less than 1 percent of the total, and is completed within 10 minutes anywhere around the globe. The revolution-

ary technology behind it, known as "block chain", makes cryptocurrency virtually impossible to counterfeit.

Different people have different motives for using cryptocurrency. The underlying technology that makes cryptocurrency work is so intriguing that many consider cryptocurrency as being a far superior replacement for the fiat money now being circulated by governments. Already it has formally replaced the currency of at least one small country. Some speculators anticipate that cryptocurrencies will someday replace the Euro and the US dollar. Others expect that its value is going to plummet to absolute zero. Nobody knows for sure.

One thing I know is that it is interesting. If you would like to learn more about cryptocurrency, go to <https://myCGICON.com/cryptocurrency>. If you would like to do more than just read about it, a live meetup group is forming at

the Greenhouse JoCo coworking space in the Tilson HR building on Tuesday evenings, Jan. 9, from 5 to 6. I plan to be there. Would you like to join the discussion?

"Some speculators anticipate that cryptocurrencies will someday replace the Euro and the US dollar."



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PEER TO PEER

Three Peas, It All Starts With Three Peas

By Howard Hubler

Whenever we go to a best practice meeting regarding our business, inevitably it all starts with "people, process and product." These are the basic elements of bringing most goods and services into the marketplace. It has been said if you have a pretty common product, should your people and processes be excellent, you may have success that superior products do not have with mundane people and processes.

Again, I go the the restaurant example, generally the easiest to digest; yes, that was a pun. Recently I went to a small coffee shop/lunch place with my wife, Janet. She had earlier scouted the place on an outing with "the girls." You know the place, when you come back with your wife, they treat her like an old friend. They give you that, "Wouldn't you feel more comfortable at Applebees look?" This place was chef owned and operated. As I dined there, I could see the chef laboring through a door in his kitchen, busting his tail to provide the very best of his unique product. He wanted the lunch to be hot and crispy as it was pastry based. He wanted the coffee fresh and hot and say, "You came for the lunch but you will come back again and again for my coffee."

Anyway, when he put the food out on the serving window, there was no hurry on behalf of the wait staff to serve it to the table. I am a hot food freak. Janet watched as I squirmed; I could see our pastry-based lunch just cooling off on the window. I could not wait for them to hurry up and "mosey" over to me with my food. She has seen me get my own food and bus my own table in a restaur-

ant, the definition of embarrassment for her. As this was a "little old lady" place, it was her domain and I would be good and just wait. Once we got our tepid food, she told me that last week, the food was served hot and it was fabulous. This leaked out by mistake. My wife is a people pleaser; last week she met the chef for a few minutes. This was a lifelong friendship now. She would never admit to a tepid meal after they were buddies.

The chef's job was the product, unique indeed. The people have to carry out the process to support the product. A process is defined as "an intentional repeated procedure with an anticipated preferred outcome," like hot food. Say, if the chef trained his staff to wait by the food window, there is a five-minute time period that the food could be "plated" from the oven. Then the server could tell the diner those famous words, "I know it looks delicious, but you might give it a few minutes to cool down".

I read in our local paper every month or two in the food column of more acclaimed chef-owned restaurants going out of business. I will promise it is not the chef's food, but the people and process. To the chef, your years of training mean nothing if you do not train your wait staff to have the same passion for serving as you do for creating.



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Upcoming chamber meetings and events

25 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Emerging Leaders); Jan. 25, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Dye's Walk Country Club, 2080 S. State Rd. 135, Greenwood.

30 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Greenhouse Co-Work January Meet-Up); Jan. 30, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Greenhouse @ Tilson, 1530 American Way, Greenwood.

1 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Legislation Matters Luncheon); Feb. 1, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Valle Vista Golf & Conference Center, 755 E. Main St., Greenwood.

15 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (February Membership 101); Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce, 65 Airport Pkwy., Suite 140, Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.

16 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Leadership Johnson County - Women in Leadership Workshop); Feb. 16, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Franklin College, 101 Branigin Blvd., Franklin. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.



OPEN 4 BUSINESS



Toppers Pizza will open at 586 S. State Rd. 135 on Jan. 18. (Photo by Nicole Davis)

On the rise

Toppers Pizza expands to Greenwood, offering pizzas made fresh, from scratch

By Nicole Davis

The Center Grove area is getting a new pizza restaurant this week. Toppers Pizza, headquartered in Wisconsin, will open the doors of its newest location at 586 S. State Rd. 135 on Jan. 18.

"That Greenwood area is a hotbed for pizza and somewhat underserved so we are particularly excited for this location," said Scott Gittrich, CEO. "You may think there are a million pizza places, but from our standpoint, it's an area that can use a pizza place. The big chains are there, the fast food value players, but it's underserved from the standpoint from good regional, local, carryout and delivery company. That's where we fit. We feel good about the brand being right for that area."

Toppers started in 1991. Gittrich had worked for a large pizza chain for seven years before deciding to open his own company. The idea was to make everything from scratch, mixing the dough in-house and cutting the vegetables by hand.

"Our claim to fame is our recipes, the unusual combinations and pizzas we make that are so popular - like buffalo chicken pizza and tater tot pizza," he said.

"We use real Wisconsin cheese that's never been frozen. That's why I started Toppers, was to have a delivery and carryout pizza restaurant that delivered a high-quality pizza."

There are now Toppers restaurants in 16 states.

Toppers has been hiring for all positions, expecting to bring 35 jobs to the Greenwood location. Gittrich said he expects a line at the door for opening day, with a promotion of free pizza for a year for the first 50 customers. For all other customers, Gittrich said they can look forward to some creative and fresh flavors to choose from on the menu.

"It's personally thrilling to see communities understand who we are, how we fit and try us out, make the switch from the Walmarts of pizzas over to the little guy who's doing it right," Gittrich said. "It's very exciting. When we come to a place like Greenwood, it's fun to start hiring those first few people, tell them how we do it, the buzz starts and on the day we click the open sign there's typically a bunch of people that want to try us out."

For more information, visit toppers.com.

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TECH SAVVY

By Regina Miller

I have recently got a new router from Comcast and I still have spots in my house that I can't get a good wireless signal. I thought the new one would fix it but it hasn't. I am so frustrated. What else can I do to get the wireless everywhere I need it in the house?

Based on what you've described I'm assuming that where you do have signal you are satisfied with the speed and reliability. That being said, these tips will help with wireless signal regardless who your high-speed Internet service provider is.

LOCATION: I am in a lot of homes and see the router tucked away in corner of the basement or in the far reaches of an upstairs attic office. You'll get the best reach by having the router placed as close to the center of where you'll need it as possible. Remember the signal radiates out from the device like a donut in all directions. Avoid having the router set up too close to other electronics like cordless phones, microwaves, or TV/Media components that may interfere with the signal. Don't stick it in a cabinet and close the door. It will work, but not as far.

FIRMWARE UPGRADES: If you rent your router, updates may be pushed, but you will still need to reboot on occasion for the update

to take effect. If you own your router, you will need to update the firmware on your own, but you also will save the monthly leasing fee from your provider.

SIZE MATTERS: Supplied routers are typically designed for the average-sized home. If your home is larger than average, you'll likely need additional coverage. Even if your home is not larger than normal, if it's a custom home or special circumstances like poured concrete interior walls you are going to need some more "oomph" to overcome those obstacles. You could consider the newer mesh router systems that are scalable and typically less problematic than access points. I just did this for my 4,000 square foot house over winter break and love it. (and yes, that's what geeks do for fun... tear down and rebuild their home networks over Christmas break).

If you find any of the circumstances above describe your router situation even changing one can make a huge impact.



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The best way to lead off a New Year

GRAMMAR GUY

By Curtis Honeycutt

It's resolution time, which means your local gym's treadmills will be in high demand while they glisten with other people's sweat (until roughly the end of February). You've probably set some goals for yourself and defined ways you'd like to be more awesome in 2018. Allow me to suggest an additional resolution: to win at life with better grammar.

We can start right now. Since it's time to lead off a new year, let's examine the words lead and led, which often trip us up (just like that treadmill you set at a slightly-too-ambitious speed).

Lead is an example of a heteronym. Heteronyms are homographs that are spelled the same, have different meanings and sound different. *Lead* is not only a heavy metal with a short e vowel sound, but it is also when someone is in charge, or ahead of something (as a verb) or a position of advantage in a competition (as a noun), and has a long e vowel sound.

Where *lead* gets tricky is when people incorrectly use the word *led* in its place. When you were in first place, you were in the *lead*; you led the race for 19 laps. Use *led* as the past tense for the verb lead (the one that rhymes with bead). The confusion, of course, is when *lead*

(like the metal) and *led* (the past tense verb) go head-to-head. These words are homophones, which are homonyms (words that sound the same) with different spellings. Homophones trick us, kind of like the small print in the gym membership stating we can, under no circumstance, quit the gym.

This paragraph is a lightning round to clear up any other lead/led related words. *Leed* (with a long e vowel sound) is a Scottish word for language or speech. *Led Zeppelin* (with a short e vowel sound) was an English rock band, who, ironically, was one of the pioneering bands in the genre of heavy metal music (not pioneers in *lead*, the literal heavy metal). One of their favorite venues was Leeds University (pronounced with a long e vowel sound).

So, if you'd like to get the *lead* out on 2018, I suggest you lead the way by working out with *Led Zeppelin* blaring in your earbuds. And wipe down the treadmill before you use it.



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Attach a deeper meaning to New Year's Resolutions

DEVOTIONAL

By Pastor
Chris Philbeck

Happy New Year, Center Grove, I hope your 2018 is off to a great start! I'm someone who always greets the New Year with some kind of resolution. But, honestly, I'm not always successful in keeping that resolution. A little research tells me, I'm not alone. Based on data from the online grocer Fresh Direct, many customers fail to keep their New Year's Resolutions. The retailer recently reported that customers' liquor and wine consumption picked up by about 40 percent in the first two weeks of February—while juice-cleanse sales dropped by 25 percent. Shoppers also bought 15 percent more ice cream and desserts, and 35 percent more pizza, in early February than during the first two weeks of January. Studies by Foursquare and Swarm shows that Feb. 4 (37 days after New Year's) is the day people are most likely to fall off the wagon. The apps analyzed users' check-ins and found that date marks an uptick in visits to fast-food joints and a downturn in trips to the gym. So, what's the secret to keeping a New Year's Resolution? According to an article in the Dec. 28, 2017 edition of *USA Today*, the secret is to motivate yourself "intrinsically." What does that mean? It means you've got to connect a deeper meaning to your resolution. A recent physical revealed my cholesterol is too high. But my doctor doesn't want to prescribe medication because he believes I can change this through diet and exercise. So, my 2018 resolution is to eat better and exercise. But I know myself well enough to know that this will only happen if I attach a deeper meaning to my resolution. Now, I could list several "personal" things that provide that deeper meaning, but here's a public one. I resolve to eat better and exercise more in 2018 because I want many more years of faithfully proclaiming the truth about God. I love the words of Psalm 71:18: *And even when I am old and gray, O God, do not forsake me, until I declare Your strength to this generation, Your power to all who are to come.* This is what I've been doing for 38 years, and I'm not finished. What resolution(s) have you made in this New Year? Find a deeper meaning and let it hold you accountable. And if you see me out in a restaurant this year, feel free to ask me how I'm doing with my diet and exercise. I need all the accountability I can get.



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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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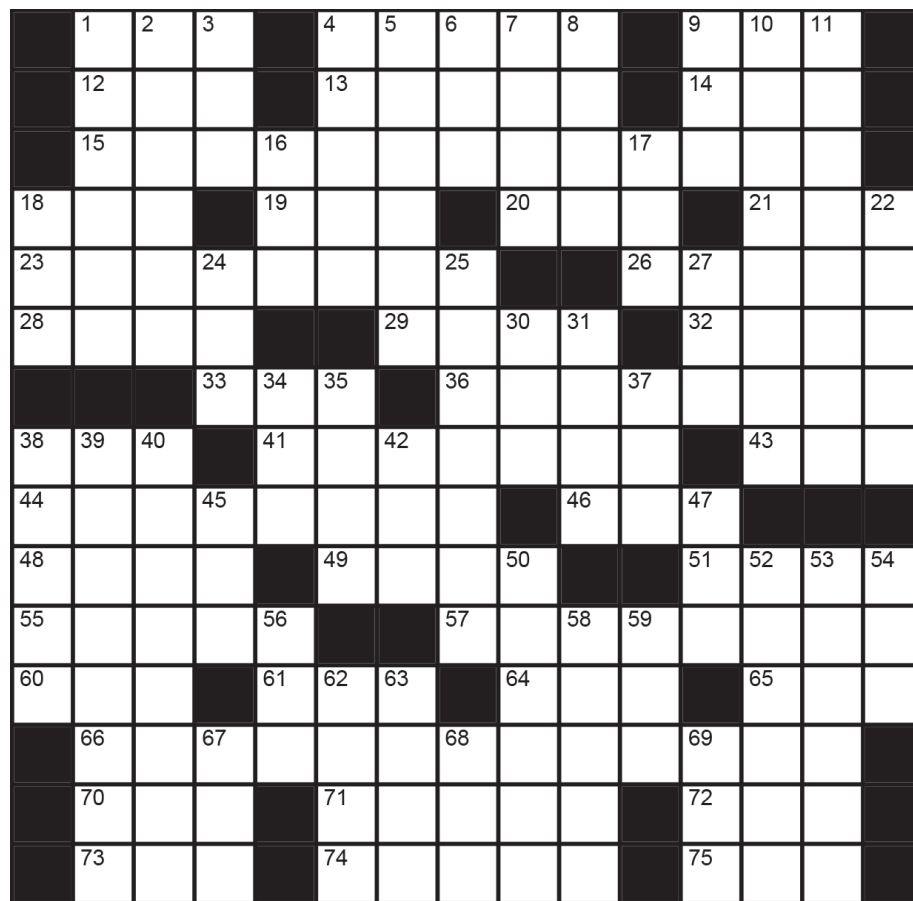
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20. Japanese sash
21. ___ Jones Expressway
23. Doted on one, often
26. Hip-hop star Green
28. Doing nothing
29. Prefix with "while"
32. Blue-pencil an article in ICON
33. *The Detour* aier
36. Artist's spray paint tool
38. Bummed about a Trojans loss
41. What 15-Across is for 66-Across
43. CGHS sports stat.
44. 13-figure figure
46. Music genre
48. Crafty website
49. Responded in court
51. Anthem VIP
55. Host
57. Richard Mourdock supporter
60. Lakers on a Bankers Life Fieldhouse scoreboard
61. Alley ___
64. Stomach muscles, briefly
65. "Eureka!"
66. Center Grove's locale
70. Big Ten sch.
71. Kind of roll at CGHS
72. Todd Young pos.
73. CGHS color
74. Ain't right?
75. Half of Purdue's football stadium name

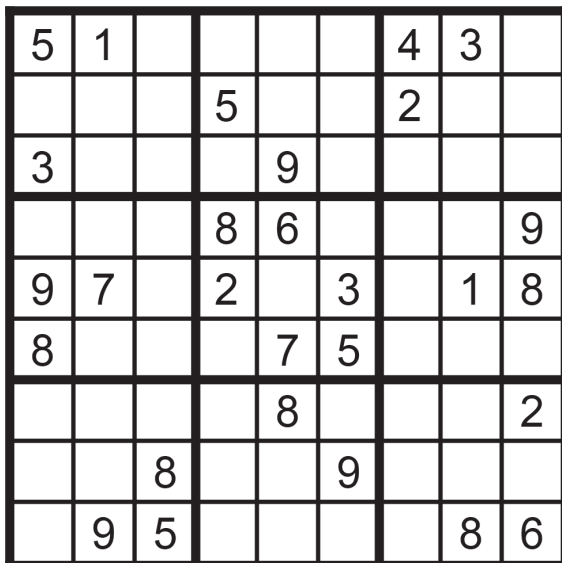
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1. On an Amtrak train
2. Savage
3. Director's cry
4. Swamp sound
5. ___ Anne's Pretzels
6. IU Health ER workers
7. Karate school
8. Better-than-you type
9. Raggedy doll
10. Taut
11. Sovereign's supporter
16. Bonefish Grill catch



17. Hawaiian Punch rival
18. Hollywood techie's special effects (Abbr.)
22. Sweater eaters
24. CGHS tennis court divider
25. "Just the facts, ma'am" show
27. James Whitcomb Riley's "always"
30. "Dear" one
31. Hickory Stick Golf Club hazard
34. Ravens on a Lucas Oil Stadium scoreboard
35. Sport Clips scissors sound
37. ___ Harris Bank
38. "Stainless" material
39. Would-be designer at Franklin College
40. Make public
42. Part of some email addresses
45. Soap ingredient for Indiana's Amish
47. Farmers Market veggie
50. Church official
52. Like some films
53. Welder's gas
54. Texter's "So long"
56. A billion years
58. Cancel
59. Big Ten sch.
62. Workplace safety org.
63. Impoverished
67. Ben Carson's dept.
68. Center Grove-to-Ft. Wayne dir.
69. Hush-hush grp.

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Linda Kilbert

JCPL's White River Branch manager leads a bustling library alongside a "great staff"

Compiled by Nicole Davis

As branch manager of the White River Branch of the Johnson County Public Library, Linda Kilbert is in charge of keeping the library going and improving. She leads the busiest branch in the JCPL system.

In November alone, 24,000 items were checked out - the second busiest branch being Franklin with 16,000 items checked out.

Kilbert is originally from Elkhart, Ind. While completing her undergraduate degree in Cleveland, Ohio, she chose to do her internship in Indianapolis. There, she took some classes in library science and enjoyed it enough that she completed the program. She took a job at the medical library at Indiana University, then at Mar-

ian College before coming to the Johnson County Public Library 18 years ago.

Kilbert served at the Franklin Branch as a librarian, then department manager, for 13 years. In July 2013, she was chosen to become the White River Branch manager.

"We've done a lot of work with the staff on making it a pleasant library experience," she said. "We have a great staff. It is the busiest branch, so you see a lot of people, a lot of activity. It's very urban, so we get all ages and just a variety of people. There's always something happening."

The library is getting ready to start developing a new strategic plan, which will cover 2019 - 2023, and Kilbert said she hopes to be a part of that process.

Librarians within each branch help to coordinate the programs that are open to the public. In 2017, Kilbert organized the Solar Eclipse Viewing Party, offering activities for individuals and families looking to watch the eclipse on Aug. 21. For the most part, though, her background is in "the adult world of libraries," so she enjoys the ability to helping patrons and doing a little detective work.

"There's always a mystery to solve and something to figure out and when you do, you know you've helped somebody and made a difference for them - students doing research or someone trying to figure out how to deal with a health issue," she said.

Outside of her role as branch manager, Kilbert, a resident on the edge of White

River Township in Bargersville, is active in the Franklin Community Band where she plays the trombone.

"It's a Johnson County staple," she said. "We're smaller and do a lot of outreach concerts to like the Franklin Methodist community. That's a fun way to be part of the community. I help not only as a player, but I research the songs and narrate at concerts. That's where I can get my library influence in there, and educate people about the songs we're playing."

She is also involved on the Purdue Extension's Johnson County Wellness Team, as staff wellness coordinator at the library.

Here, learn more about our January ICON of the Month, Linda Kilbert.

What do you consider your greatest virtue?

Empathy. I strive to look at things from others' perspectives and try to understand their viewpoint.

What do you most deplore in others?

Dishonesty and self-centeredness

What do you like most about living in Center Grove?

I live in Bargersville, but work in Center Grove area. I like the convenience of making a quick trip to a variety of stores and restaurants. The area is not too congested yet, but I fear it's heading that way.

If you had to live anywhere else in the Metro Indianapolis area, where would it be?

Somewhere out in the country, perhaps in southern Johnson County, away from suburbs and crowded housing divisions.

If you could begin life over, what would you change?

In college I would major in graphic design and marketing. I like the challenge of communicating via visual images and 2D design.

If money were no issue, how would you spend it?

I would buy a house in the country with several acres of natural areas and a pond to attract and support wildlife, donate to several animal charities, and travel around the world.

What makes you happiest?

When I can do or say something to make others happy.

What is your favorite vacation spot?

Maui, Hawaii is now my favorite, but I also enjoy the Smokey Mountains, Yellowstone and Michigan.

What do you do with idle time?

Read, do crossword puzzles, bird-watch, play guitar or ukulele, work outside in the yard, go for a walk.

What is it that makes you angry?

When someone treats others unfairly, are inconsiderate, or intentionally cheat and lie.

What do you do to escape from reality?

Read, watch tv, play piano, or play solitaire on my phone.



What or who is the greatest love of your life?

My pets, especially my cat Bailey. He is part Manx, so he doesn't have a tail. But he doesn't let that stop him. He often zooms around the house, jumping to the highest point on the tippy top of the bookshelves. He can also spend the evening snuggling on my lap. Bailey is my little sweetie.

Which living person in Center Grove do you most admire?

My friend, Stephanie. She has had some significant health problems, but is still happy and upbeat. Her strong faith and positive outlook are very inspiring. Whenever we're together we end up laughing uproariously. Her smile always brightens my day.

What is the quality you like most in a man?

Kindness and sense-of-humor.

What is the quality you like most in a woman?

Kindness and sense-of-humor.

What is your greatest extravagance?

I recently went on a trip to Hawaii and also bought a new car.

What are your fears/phobias?

Suffocation, claustrophobia, being physically restrained.

What has been the happiest time of your life?

I'd have to say right now. I have a great job where I can make a difference, a wonderful family, delightful pets and good health.

Which talent would you most like to possess?

I'd love to be able to sing well.

What do you most value in your friends?

Good sense of humor, honesty, loyalty, open-minded, strong faith.

Which historical figure do you most admire?

Jesus. He's more than an historical figure. He's God.

What is your greatest regret?

I regret that I'm not more outgoing. When meeting new people I am often quiet and rather awkward at mingling.

What tenet do you live by?

Love God and with His help live according to the principles in the Bible. Treat others fairly and kindly, be positive, and share laughter whenever possible. Eat healthy and be active. Do what you enjoy and enjoy what you do!

OBITUARIES

CENTER GROVE

Anna L. Altum

Anna L. Altum, of Bargersville, died on Dec. 29, 2017. Funeral services were Jan. 5 at First Christian Church of Bargersville, 101 East St., Bargersville. She will be laid to rest in Crown Hill Cemetery.

William Martin Bachman

William Martin Bachman, 66, of Greenwood, died on Dec. 28, 2017. William was a computer programmer at Liberty Mutual for 18 years retiring in September 2017. Visitation was Jan. 2 at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Rd. 135, Greenwood. Funeral services were Jan. 3 at Christ Church Cathedral, 125 Monument Circle, Indianapolis.

Lena Marie Carney

Lena Marie Carney, 99, of Greenwood, died on Dec. 31, 2017. She had worked at Matthew's Sign Company, Perry Township Schools in the cafeteria and Discovery Junction. Funeral services were Jan. 3 at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Rd. 135. She will be laid to rest in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

James Evans

James Evans, 67, of Greenwood, died Dec. 26, 2017. He served in the U.S. Airforce, retired from U.S. Airways, and was a Bob Ross instructor. A memorial service will take place at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care.

Dorothy F. Jones (Walsh)

Dorothy F. Jones (Walsh), 95, of Greenwood, died on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2017. Dorothy was a graduate from the Indiana School for the Deaf and retired from Indiana National Bank. There will be no funeral services held at this time. Arrangements and care provided by Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremation Services, Indianapolis.

Sandra Kay (Monday) Moulton

Sandra Kay (Monday) Moulton, 67, died Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2017. Her primary career was raising her two children, Sheila and Bobby, although she worked part-time as a floral designer and decorator at Bird n' Bows, Marsh, and Kroger in Greenwood. Sandy was a member at Rocklane Christian Church in Greenwood. Visitation was Dec. 8 at Peace Chapel at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, 9700 Allisonville Rd., Indianapolis.

Gary Rhoades

Gary Rhoades, 63, of Greenwood, died on Dec. 15, 2017. There will be no services. Arrangements and care provided by Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremation Services, Indianapolis.

Kathleen M. (Raftery) Wiggins

Kathleen M. (Raftery) Wiggins, 70, of Greenwood, died Dec. 29, 2017. Visitation and Rosary was Jan. 5 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis. A Mass of Christian Burial was Jan. 6 at Our Lady of the Greenwood, 335 S. Meridian St., Greenwood. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery.

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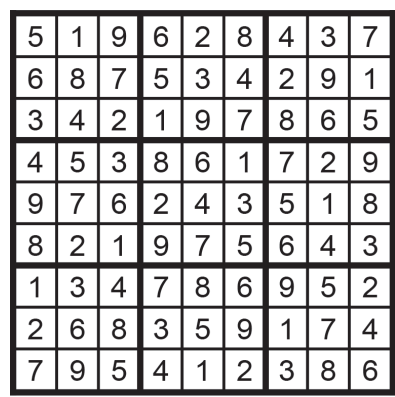
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