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Muddy mayhem - Center Grove area resident Ava Annee takes part in the Greenwood Parks Department's second annual Mud Day on July 7. The parks department and Greenwood Fire Department collaborated to make the event possible at Craig Park. Park maintenance staff tilled up the land Thursday and the fire department began spraying water on the patch of land on Friday morning for the afternoon event.

Photos by Nicole Davis

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Noah Gillard.

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ATHLETE OF THE MONTH STATS

NAME: Noah Gillard	TENTATIVE MAJOR: Sports management
HIGH SCHOOL: Center Grove	FAVORITE TV SHOW: Stranger Things
SPORTS: Golf and basketball	FAVORITE MOVIE: Interstellar
COLLEGE PLANS: Will continue golf career on scholarship at the University of Illinois	PARENTS: Dave and Amy Gillard

Bob Rohrman's INDY HONDA Athlete of the Month

Noah Gillard

By Rick Morwick

Noah Gillard had a lot on his mind heading into the final round of the IHSAA Boys Golf State Finals.

At the forefront was how to rally his heavily-favored team from a six-stroke, first-round deficit - and avoid the bitter fate of the previous season, when top-ranked Center Grove had a poor Day 1 and settled for a runner-up finish.

In the back of his mind was making a play for the individual state championship, which also seemed out of reach after the opening round.

"Our team embraced the pressure," said Gillard, the Trojans' No. 1 player. "I think some teams would lean away from the pressure, but I think we embraced it really well. I think we liked having a target on our backs, and we played really well when it counted."

Indeed they did.

On the second and final day of the June 13-14 State Finals at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel, the Trojans roared back and won their first-ever team championship - and did so in historic fashion.

Led by Gillard, who also won the individual state title, No. 1 Center Grove cruised past No. 2 Carmel and, in the process, set state finals records for 18 and 36 holes. On the final day, the Trojans shot a 281, breaking the former 18-hole mark of 283 shared by Columbus North (2011) and Noblesville (2013).

Moreover, Center Grove's final two-day total of 573 beat the former standard of 575 set by Westfield in 2013.

By the time the day was over, the Trojans - under the direction of first-year coach Matt Rodman - had a 13-stroke win over first-round leader Carmel; a pair of IHSAA state records; and their first-ever

team and individual boys golf state titles.

"It's an awesome feeling. You don't want it to go away," said Gillard, who will be a senior this fall. "I'm really proud of the team. We worked on this the whole year, so I'm just really proud of the team."

Gillard, who committed to the University of Illinois in September 2016, won the individual championship with a 6-under par 138, edging runner-up Nick Osterburg of Perry Meridian by two strokes. But Gillard alone didn't carry the Trojans, whose 3-under par team total was the result of phenomenal performances by teammates Sam Jean, Ethan Shepherd, Logan Anderson and Luke DeHaven.

Jean, a junior, was third among individuals with a 143. Shepherd, the Trojans' lone senior, tied for fourth with a 144. Anderson, a sophomore, was 16th with a 148. And DeHaven, also a sophomore, was 52nd with a 157.

"(Winning state) was definitely a goal from Day 1, Day 1 of the first practice," Gillard said. "But we were focused on winning every tournament that we played in, and then once we go to the state tournament, we focused on that one, too. But for sure, that was definitely what our big goal was."

With all but one starter returning next season, it's easy to understand why Gillard can't wait to defend the team championship and make another run for the individual medalist honor.

"We'll be back in the mix again," said Gillard, who also plays for Center Grove's varsity basketball team. "I think our mentality will stay the same. Winning one state championship will make us more hungry to win another, because that feeling and that ring is so great. I think that will keep us even more hungry."

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 Not only did Center Grove High School's boys golf team win the state championship in June, but Noah Gillard also won, what?

- A. The Attitude Award
 B. The individual championship
 C. Hole-in-One recognition
 D. Membership into the PGA

2 Center Grove resident Keith Fechtman wrote a children's book called *Malina's Zoo Adventure* to discuss what issue?

- A. Autism
 B. Religion
 C. Dyslexia
 D. Animal care and safety



3 ICON of the Month, Derek Christy, is looking to add what to his business to attract more tech companies to Greenwood?

- A. Solar array
 B. Electric vehicle charging stations
 C. Workshop series
 D. Technical university

4 According to Rich Arkanoff in his "welcome back to school" letter, how much in scholarships did Center Grove students earn last year?

- A. \$100,000
 B. \$1 million
 C. \$6 million
 D. \$2 billion

5 Center Grove alumnus Kent Thompson is celebrating the conclusion of how many years as a Little League coach?

- A. 5
 B. 10
 C. 25
 D. 40



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Bob Rohrman's INDY HONDA

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SUCCESS THROUGH THE STRUGGLE

Meet the Author >>>>>>>>>>

JULY 15, 10 A.M. - NOON

WHAT: See the Johnson County Fair Parade, then stop in for this book reading and signing.

WHERE: Toodleydoo Toys, 1 W. Jefferson St., Franklin.

INFO: [f/malinasadventures](https://www.facebook.com/malinasadventures)

JULY 22, 2 - 4 P.M.

WHAT: Adventures in Painting. Meet the author, receive a personally signed book, paint an 8x10 canvas of an animal in the book, and animal treats for the kids!

WHERE: Teal Canary, 199 N. Madison Ave., Greenwood.

COST: \$25

INFO: tealcanary.com/calendar.html

OCT. 6, 4:30 - 6 P.M.

WHAT: Meet the author and illustrator during this reading and book signing

WHERE: Franklin Branch library, 401 State St., Franklin.

INFO: [f/malinasadventures](https://www.facebook.com/malinasadventures)



Keith Fechtman.

Photo by Nicole Davis

Center Grove's Keith Fechtman shares his journey with dyslexia through newly-published children's book, *Malina's Zoo Adventure*

COVER STORY

By Nicole Davis

It's okay for children to struggle with reading, writing or math. With extra time and patience, they can achieve high school graduation, higher education or any of their dreams.

Center Grove area resident Keith Fechtman wrote the children's book, *Malina's Zoo Adventure* nine years ago to share his own struggles of mixing up words and numbers. It wasn't until a year ago that he realized that his difficulty reading was actually dyslexia. This year, he found the motivation and resources to finally get his book published and become an advocate for the cause.

Fechtman grew up in Franklin, where he ran track at Franklin Community High School. Upon graduation, he attended the University of Indianapolis.

"I struggled immensely through that," he said. "I didn't know why. High school wasn't easy but it wasn't super difficult."

He left UIndy and went into the military. After his four years active duty in the Army, he joined the Reserves and sought out something to better himself. He re-enrolled at UIndy, earning his bachelor's degree. When he went to enroll in the master's program, he initially failed the entrance test.

"I struggled with the schooling aspect," he said. That's why I wrote this children's book. I wanted to share my struggles with schooling, reading, writing and really help kids. If they have a disability, difficulty, I want to help relate to them that it's okay to struggle. You can overcome it. I was able to finish the master's program in

two-and-a-half years versus three. But it was a lot of grind, working full time and going back to school. I had to take extra notes. I had to be thorough because I didn't understand them the first time. I rarely got it the second time. I had to re-read a lot. It's a different challenge."

After earning his master's degree, he began working for Arby's as a district manager. Wanting a better work/life balance, he found an opportunity at Express Employment Professionals Indy South where he has worked the past year.

A year ago, when he realized that his struggles with reading and mixing up numbers was dyslexia, he began to research the disorder.

"Right now they say there's three million people that struggle with dyslexia in the U.S.," he said. "I think I've trained myself to go back and reread things. I have to think about words. It's figuring out the tricks or steps to spell words correctly and in the right way, or take reading portions of a book knowing that you can only handle certain sections at a time."

He also began working on *Malina's Zoo Adventure*. He found an illustrator, Center Grove alumnus, Eric Erickson. The book was published by Author House in May, and can be found on amazon.com or authorhouse.com. Fechtman said he has read it to any child he can. He and his family - wife, Sarah and children, Peyton and Paisley - visit the White River Branch library at least once a week. He has lined up speaking engagements through the year, including a reading and book signing on July 15 at Toodleydoo Toys in Franklin; a painting of the book at Teal Canary in Greenwood on July 22; and a reading along with the illustrator on Oct. 6.

"If parents struggled through schooling and reading, they can use it as a tool to help with their own children and create more family time," he said. "We've gotten a way from reading to our children. I'd like to bring some of that back through this. I remember my mother and I would read all of the time. She really worked with me. I owe about everything to her."

Fechtman wants to create a series of books, and has already written the sequel, *Malina's Farm Adventure* with a goal to get it released by Christmas. He said a portion of the books' proceeds will go to the Dyslexia Institute of Indiana for a scholarship fund.



Left, Kent Thompson coaches the 1992 World Series All-Star team at Center Grove Little League. **Submitted photo**
Right, Kent Thompson reached his 25th year coaching All-Star Little League in 2017. **Photo by Nicole Davis**



Play ball!

Center Grove native Kent Thompson celebrates his 25th year coaching All-Star Little League teams

WHERE ARE THEY NOW

By Nicole Davis

Through the first portion of his All-Star coaching years with Center Grove Little League, Kent Thompson was focused on teaching the youth about the game of baseball and giving them the best chance to win.

Now celebrating his 25th year coaching, that focus has transitioned into how he can best relate to these children, using baseball to help them succeed in their future life endeavors.

"For a shy little kid who grew up on a farm, how did I get to where I could coach these kids?" he said, "I don't coach them so I can see them win a baseball game. I coach them because 10, 20 years down the road I want to see who they've become."

Thompson grew up in White River Township. He played in the Little League for two years as a youth. He graduated from Center Grove High School in 1981.

After taking six months off to spend time with his uncle in Iowa, he returned and was asked to help coach a Little League team in 1983. A few years later, he received a phone call from the president of the Center Grove Little League, saying they needed coaches. So Thompson coached the Junior League, ages 13 and 14, from 1983 to 1990. He then be-

gan coaching the Senior League, ages 15 to 18, from 1991 to '93.

"In 1992, we went to the World Series," he said. "It was a unique situation that year. I wasn't going to coach the All-Star team that year, but they said you should take it and I agreed. That team had never even won the district tournament. The more we practiced and played, the better we got as a team. We won the district... I thought this team is really doing something. We made it to the World Series. It all came together. We finished third in the U.S. and sixth in the World."

Thompson didn't coach in '94 or '95, instead taking care of his family in a transition period of building a home. In '96, he was asked to return to coaching. He coached his son in the Center Grove Little League for two years, then his daughter in softball for three years - both of which were new to him since those leagues were for the small children.

After his daughter stopped playing, he took a break from coaching, until his brother began getting sick in 2005. He needed to get his mind off of that, and a friend at church said he could help coach his team in '06. He again took a break until 2011. He came to the Greenwood Little League, where he has been coaching an All-Star team ever since.

Thompson serves on the board of di-

rectors and is in charge of the grounds. Although he has undergone a heart attack and surgery this past year and has to limit his physical activity, it hasn't stopped him yet. He celebrated his 25th year of coaching All-Star teams with his Little League friends in May.

"The longevity is amazing to me," he said. "You have to prepare yourself every year to do this again. 35 years is what could have happened if I stuck with it. I started at 20 years old. I'm now 55. I wouldn't trade it for the world. I love baseball and I love being around the kids. There are kids that ask for me, that want to play for me. That's the reason I coach today."

His 25th year isn't over with yet. The team won its championship on July 6, which brings them to the State Tournament in Anderson, Ind. on July 13 to 15. If they make top two, they will advance to semi-finals on July 16.

"My coach and I got the idea this year will be special," he said. "I'm waiting to see where this year goes."

With his health, Thompson said he knows he needs to cut back, but has no plans to stop coaching altogether. He won't coach fall ball, but has yet to make any further decisions about the All-Star team.

"I love the kids too much to say I'm just walking away," he said.

Getting to know Kent Thompson ...

What's some advice you wish someone had given you when you were younger?

To not be so afraid of people. I would stay in my room and never get out. I wish I would have had that confidence, or belief in myself that I could do it.

In your school-age years, is there a person who had a significant impact on you? Who and why?

As far as baseball goes, Larry Socks, I graduated with his son. I didn't play for him during the regular season. We had a team called Big League. I played three years, from 16 - 18. From 17 to 19, I helped him coach his team. We practiced in Center Grove High School parking lot. I would sit on the bench beside him, and he told me everything he was doing. That's when I realized you don't have to be a great player to be a good coach. You just have to be willing to learn and listen. He always told me, you can do whatever you set your mind to doing. In '93, he looked me up after he found out that we went to the World Series. He said 'I knew you'd do that, because of your passion for the game.' He's gone now. He was my biggest influence to the team.

Another person is my grandfather who had the farm. Where Hickory Stick is was my grandfather's farm. It was neat to grow up on a farm and between those two things, baseball and farming, I look back at my childhood and think I was luckier than I thought.

What do you do in your free time?

If I had my way, I would coach Little League year-round. I do try to help out at food pantries and stuff to keep busy. I'll have to find something in the fall to keep busy. I enjoy going to high school ball games to watch them.

What are some goals you'd like to accomplish in the coming years?

I don't ever see me not having baseball in my life. That's where I've been most of my life. There's not a better atmosphere for me than the baseball field.



The 1992 Center Grove team earned sixth in the world at the World Series championships

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FAMILY FEATURE

With warm weather comes an overwhelming urge to get outside and enjoy it. From barbecues and cookouts to ice cream parties and poolside hangouts, summertime is a popular excuse to kick up your feet and invite your friends and family over to celebrate together.

Now is the perfect time to give your deck or patio area a little TLC before inviting the masses. Follow these tips to revamp and refresh your home's exterior and interior ahead of hosting your next summer event.

1 GET YOUR GARDENING GLOVES ON.

A little color goes a long way for a bed of plants and flowers. Plant some bright flowers along your patio or consider growing functional, edible plants that look and taste great. Gardening is a fun summer project that can add beauty to your home's exterior lounging areas. If gardening isn't your thing, fresh-cut flowers in a vase as a centerpiece can do the trick.

2 READY THE DECK AND HOME EXTERIOR.

Fungus on the deck isn't appealing, nor are mildew stains, dirt or weather-beaten patches. Pressure wash your deck then re-stain it with a matching color and finish, and apply a wood preservative to help prevent water damage and discoloration. In addition, it might be time to give dull shutters and doors a fresh coat of paint to prevent them from looking washed out.

3 REMOVE MOLD AND MILDEW.

Mold and mildew can form on the exterior siding and trim of your home, as well as on patio furniture, flower pots and swimming pools. It's important to regularly clean the outside of your house as well as your outdoor furniture and accessories that may have been stored away all winter. It's easy to remove mold or mildew with a garden hose, a long-handled brush and a mixture of a 1/2 cup of Clorox Regular-Bleach per each gallon of water.

4 STOP THE SPREAD OF FUNGAL DISEASE IN GARDENS.

Fungal diseases can be deadly to plants and wildlife. When used as directed, bleach is a simple but powerful tool that can be used to help stop the spread of fungal diseases. It can also keep cut flowers alive longer when you add a few drops to a water-filled vase.

5 CLEAN UP THE BATHROOM AND KITCHEN.

Don't forget about indoor spaces. When hosting friends, it's likely that you or a guest will need to visit the kitchen to prepare a side dish or grab another drink and bathroom visits are inevitable. Clean up any loose items and use a disinfecting wipe on hard surfaces like countertops, door handles and light switches.

When it comes to summer entertaining, all you need is a quick refresh before you kick back with loved ones in a clean, relaxing space. For more information, visit Clorox.com.

HISTORY & ARCHITECTURE



Left, Melvin Vandermeer and Margaret Vandermeer. Right, Carol and Dale Tumeys with John and Dorothy Clements.

Submitted photos

The best friends and folks in the Center Grove Community

By Jeff Beck

Melvin and Margaret Vandermeer, John and Dorothy Clements, Dale and Carol Tumeys, Marlene West are all names important to Center Grove Schools and White River Township memories.

Melvin (Vandy) was a strict, but fair, coach and principal for many years, who was loved by all. Vandy made morning school announcements fun to listen to, along with being informative. I recall one student getting sent to Vandy's office after disrupting the class. Student expecting a few taps with the paddle instead walked out after a stern lecture, which probably hurt worse than that paddle. Vandy called in fellow administrator OJ Sloop Jr. as witness. OJ Sloop was a friend of everyone and highly respected as an educator and coach.

Margaret Vandermeer taught at Center Grove High School for many years and loved helping students learn French and Spanish. She was a sponsor of French and Spanish Clubs. Margaret always dressed and presented herself in a very professional manner. Students enjoyed watching Mrs. Vandermeer play basketball on the lady teachers' basketball team. Margaret and Vandy moved to CGS community from the New Albany, Ind. area. The couple was proud of their only child, Bill. Vandermeer gymnasium was

named in honor of Vandy. They were a fine couple who will always be remembered in CG history, leaders who gave back without concern of themselves.

John and Dorothy Clements are longtime Center Grove educators and Bargersville residents. John coached for many years, taught health and physical education along with being an athletic director during a growth period for Center Grove. Dorothy enjoyed teaching algebra and college math. I remember both educators as having a firm voice and providing personal time to students as needed to help them reach their potential. The couple enjoy retirement with family, golf outings and fellowship with friends. They are always happy to share memories with former students; say hello next time you see them.

Dale and Carol Tumeys are friends of mine. Dale worked at Indianapolis Star Newspaper for many years while Carol taught health, physical education and sponsored many girls programs. Coaching was a passion for Carol. The couple continue to live in the community, attending as many school events as possible. The Tumeys have devoted much of their life to Center Grove School and White River Township. Dale works part-time, has a firm handshake and a warm smile while giving back. Church and volunteer efforts take up most of their time; the Tumeys are very willing to

share their talents, treasures and time. Dale and Carol have the distinction of being the first honorary graduates of Center Grove High School.

Marlene West has worked for Center Grove Schools and lived in the community for many years. I am confident Marlene has the distinction of being the senior bus driver for Center Grove, with 40-plus years of service to students, happily, lovingly and safely driving the big yellow bus. Marlene and her late husband Delmo (Del) call the Bargersville community home. Del's brothers graduated from Center Grove High School. The couple's children and grandchildren are also part of Center Grove family.

Dale, Vandy and John annually travelled to Canada for fishing trips, along with friends and family. Del West would drop almost anything for the opportunity to fish. Golf? Only ask once. Dale and John were on the course. Good poker game? Vandy was ready.

I am proud to call the folks above friends, and to honor them for dedicated years of service to Center Grove and White River Community.



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*.



Senator Todd Young and Omoruyi

Center Grove's Christian Omoruyi selected as National Youth Delegate

University - Christian Omoruyi, a sophomore student at Center Grove High School, was selected to represent Greenwood as a National Youth Delegate to the 2017 Washington Youth Summit on the Environment at George Mason University on June 25 to 30. Omoruyi joins a select group of 250 students from across the country to participate in an intensive week-long study of leadership in environmental science and conservation. Omoruyi was chosen based on academic accomplishments and a demonstrated interest and excellence in leadership in the sciences and conservation studies. The Washington Youth Summit on the Environment offers aspiring environmentalists and student leaders a week-long program. For more information visit us online at wyse.gmu.edu.



Greenwood band performs Hoosiers in Holland

Ambassadors - Greater Greenwood Community Band returned from its trip to The Netherlands on Monday, June 12. This music ambassadorship featured three performances of "Hoosiers in Holland," a concert tour in Amsterdam, Monnickendam and IJpendam.

"During the picnic after our concert in IJpendam, a couple of their members cautiously lead our conversation toward US politics," wrote Greenwood Band member Andrew Angle in an Email. "The chat concluded with them saying, 'We are so glad that your group is here. With all of the crazy political news happening, this opportunity to meet you restored our confidence in Americans.' The Greenwood band is a not-for-profit 501c3 which relies on membership dues and support from the community. For more information, visit greenwoodband.com. See more from the trip at smugmug.com/share/qj5LC2.

TWEET of the MONTH



"My proudest moment and I wasn't there. I'm so happy and sad at the same time. 1st place for my girl(s)." #centergrove



Scott Alvey @salvey3
posted on July 9

ICONICbriefs

Pay It Forward Johnson County to focus on Running/Walk event

Fundraising - Pay It Forward Johnson County will discontinue its fall golf outing for 2017. Instead, organizers will devote their time on their spring 2018 Rock the Block Run community celebration.

"Both events require a significant number of volunteers, sponsors, participants and donations. We had to decide which could raise the most money for our local causes, said Erin Smith, CoChair of Pay It Forward Johnson County.

Since 2011, Pay It Forward Johnson County partnered with The Legends Golf Club in Franklin for a premier golf outing held annually in September. That event raised more than \$195,000 for local charities that provide education, emergency programs, basic human services and healthcare.



Pay It Forward Johnson County added the Rock the Block Run event in 2016. The community run celebration utilizes the Center Grove High School campus and includes a professionally-timed/measured 10K run, a family-friendly 5K run/walk and a "Main Street" experience including music entertainment, interactive vendor booths and food. Charities received more than \$25,000 at the 2017 Rock the Block Run. More than 15,000 runners and walkers participated. The next event is scheduled for April 21, 2018. Registration for the 2018 Rock the Block Run will begin in January.

Cox endorses Burgess for Johnson County Sheriff

Politics - Johnson County Sheriff Doug Cox has formally endorsed Duane Burgess to be his successor in the 2018 election. Burgess holds the rank of Major in the Sheriff's Office and is the Commander of the Jail Division, supervising 50 officers.

"Duane has proven that he's a highly qualified and remarkably effective leader during his many years in the Sheriff's Office," said Cox. "He shows his commitment to serving and protecting the citizens of Johnson County every day. His vast experience in law enforcement makes him the best choice to be our next Sheriff."

Burgess is a graduate of the FBI Academy and has been involved as a first responder for more than 30 years. In the late 1980s and early 1990s, he worked as a Corrections Officer for the Johnson County Sheriff's Department, provided security for the Johnson County Courts and Offices, and served as a Reserve Officer for the Sheriff's Office. In 1992, he was hired as a Merit Deputy. He has also served the Sheriff's Office as a Patrol Supervisor, in road enforcement, as an investigator and as a Drug Abuse Resistance and Education (DARE) officer.

In addition, for several years, Burgess held a part-time position as Chief of Police for Southport, which provided him with significant experience in managing the department's budget, manpower, payroll and officers.

Greenwood Park Mall to open new retailer, remodel two

Additions - Greenwood Park Mall, a Simon mall, will add one new retailer and renovate two existing retailer storefronts. MAC Cosmetics will open this summer while Torrid and Finish

Line undergo a facelift. The Greenwood Park Mall store will unveil its MAC Cosmetics store in the space next to Francesca's. Torrid will temporarily move to the old Vanity space while the storefront undergoes a complete overhaul, and Finish Line will begin work on a new front façade later this summer. For more information, visit shopgreenwoodparkmall.com.

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A Sweet Solution for Busy School Days

FAMILY FEATURE

The busy pace of back-to-school schedules can make it feel like nearly

every aspect of life has you under a time crunch. Fortunately, when it comes to feeding the family, there are some simple foods you likely already have on hand that can provide easy solutions for snacks and mealtime alike.

A go-to fruit like California grapes is a fresh staple you can depend on because they are always ripe and ready to eat when you buy them. While grapes are indeed ideal for snacking because they hold, store and travel well, this healthy and delicious fruit is also a simple addition to meals throughout the day. Grapes require minimal preparation, so they're equally easy as a side dish or as a fun way to deliver the fresh produce factor in a wide range of family-friendly recipes, such as these Grape and Ricotta Pita Pizzas.

Tips like these show how you can easily incorporate grapes into every meal:

BREAKFAST. A cup of creamy yogurt and crunchy granola takes on a sweet note when topped with a handful of

grapes. Slice or quarter grapes then mix well for a medley of textures and flavors in every bite.

MORNING SNACK. Pair grapes with cheese and crackers for a sweet and savory snack to keep your energy strong and your hunger in check until lunchtime.

LUNCH. A handful of grapes can balance out a sandwich and add some sweet indulgence to the midday meal.

AFTER SCHOOL. Grapes offer hydration and quick energy so they're the perfect way to fuel up for after school sports or to lend some extra brain power for study time.

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EVENING SNACK. Toward the end of the day, cravings can creep up but keeping a bowl of fresh grapes on hand for after dinner snacking helps avoid alternative salty, highly processed choices.

Find more great ideas for enjoying grapes throughout the day at grapes-fromcalifornia.com.



Grape and Ricotta Pita Pizzas

Servings: 4

Ingredients

- 2 whole-wheat pita pocket breads (about 6 inches in diameter)
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 cup part-skim ricotta cheese, divided
- 1 cup seedless red or black California grapes, thinly sliced or halved
- 2 teaspoons honey
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 6 large or 12 small fresh basil leaves, cut into ribbons



Directions

- Heat oven to 450 F. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper.
- Slice pita pockets in half so each forms two rounds, creating four rounds total. Place pita rounds on baking sheets cut-side up and brush top of each with oil.
- Spread 2 tablespoons ricotta cheese on each pita, leaving about 1/2-inch border around edges then arrange sliced grapes in single layer on top of cheese. Bake until edges are crisped and cheese is warmed, 5-7 minutes.
- In small bowl, stir together honey and lemon juice until honey is dissolved.
- When pizzas are done, drizzle each with about 1/2 teaspoon honey-lemon mixture. Sprinkle basil on top of pizzas. Serve immediately.

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WHAT WILL THE 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR BRING?

Compiled by Nicole Davis

The *Center Grove ICON* would like to take this time to again thank all of the educators in our community who work so diligently to help provide students with the intellectual tools that are necessary for them to be successful in life – whether public or private schools the community is blessed to have dedicated educators – and to those parents who realize that

education really begins in their homes. Center Grove Community School Corporation, Roncalli High School and all of our other private schools shared wonderful news of their academic and extracurricular successes from the previous school year, and we are excited to see what's next. Here's to a productive 2017-2018 school year for all school personnel and, of course, students as well.



Center Grove Community School Corporation

On behalf of the Center Grove Board of School Trustees, administration, faculty, and support staff, we would like to welcome everyone back to school on August 2, 2017!

The vision of our school corporation is to provide all students with an "exceptional educational experience." We approach every day with that vision in mind. The commitment of our faculty and staff to our students helped the Class of 2017 earn around \$6 million in scholarships. In 2017, Center Grove High School (CGHS) was one of only 73 schools recognized by the Indiana Department of Education for having more than 25 percent of students score a three or higher on the Advanced Placement Exams. While these accomplishments are exceptional, we will soon begin a new school year with new goals to exceed.

The new school year will bring a new principal for CGHS. Mr. Jeffrey Henderson is an experienced educator and instructional leader with nearly 30 years in education, including 15 years as a high school principal. We hope you will welcome him, his wife, and their two daughters into our community.

This year, we will open the new CGHS Student Activity Center and start construction on our newest school, Walnut Grove Elementary. The Activity Center will provide much needed space for our student-athletes and many extra-curricular clubs and groups. It will also host hours for community members who would like to use the elevated walking track. An open house is being planned for later this fall. The new elementary school is scheduled to open in August of 2019.

Both of these projects are being funded without impacting the tax rate. Our School Board and administrative team work diligently to make fiscally responsible decisions while providing the resources we need to provide a high quality education for our students.

We welcome community members to our school events and to visit our website at centergrove.k12.in.us to learn more about the exceptional education experiences in Center Grove!

Rich Arkanoff, EdD
Superintendent

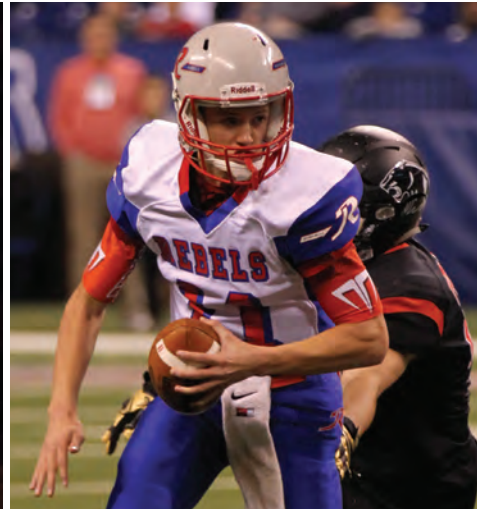
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Roncalli High School

At the beginning of the new school year, exciting new changes await our students and faculty upon their return. After years of planning, fundraising, design and construction, our school plant continues to emerge as one of the finest private school facilities in the state of Indiana. Plans for a new gymnasium are being finalized as of this writing.

Our school community is still celebrating an IHSAA 4A State Championship in football along with individual state championships by Alec Viduya in wrestling and Paige Saylor in the women's long jump this past spring. It was a wonderful way to finish an extraordinary school year.

The academic accomplishments of our staff and students continue to reach new heights as well. Roncalli senior Heather Lezon claimed Roncalli's 11th National Championship in the National Women in Construction architectural design competition and Senior Luke Murphy claimed Roncalli's first-ever State Championship in Speech. Roncalli Physics teacher Ben

Grimes was selected as the Indiana Physics Teacher of the Year. Our recently graduated Class of 2017 earned more than \$28 million in merit-based college scholarships! The professionalism and dedication of our instructors translates into exceptional performance by our students, highlighted by our recent notification by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation that Roncalli will have 16 students recognized by the National Merit program as commended students and semifinalists, which is an all-time high for the school as well.

Our mission has long centered on working to develop life-long learners in service to others. Inspiring students to truly become life-long learners requires gifted teachers with a passion for their subject matter and an enthusiasm for teaching their students. Inspired teaching leads to inspired students and inspired students become their own best teachers.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year!

Dr. Joseph D. Hollowell
President

Greenwood Christian Academy

On behalf of the Greenwood Christian Academy (GCA) faculty, staff, and board, I would like to welcome everyone back to the 2017-2018 school year. We are excited about helping you and your child in their educational endeavors this school year. The purpose of Greenwood Christian Academy has always been to provide young people with an opportunity to receive a high quality Christian education within a Christ-centered environment.

This year we have added new technology programs to our already outstanding academics that will open up a world of opportunities to our students. We are fully accredited by the state of Indiana and offer both the Core 40 and Academic Honors Diploma.

We are an interdenominational Christian school with a student body of more than 600 students in Grades K through 12 representing more than 80 local churches. We know it is our mission to provide a college preparatory education with a Christian worldview and prepare our students to succeed academically and spiritually.

At the elementary level we emphasize the core subjects such as reading and mathematics, as well as provide special classes that help to ensure our students are well rounded. Our students have a 100 percent IREAD pass rate every year. And consistently score well above state averages on ISTEP.

At the middle and high school levels we utilize curriculum intended to prepare students for college and life, to encourage them to be-

come lifelong learners, and lovers of God, His work, and this world. We provide an academically rigorous curriculum, and students with a strong desire to go on to college, or advanced degrees. We offer multiple dual credit courses through Vincennes University and Grace College, and our graduates have consistently maintained a 100 percent high school graduation rate and college acceptance rate.

In addition, GCA has thriving extracurricular programs, as well. We are members of the IHSAA and Johnson County Tournament and offer an extensive variety of athletic teams and activities for our students. Our Fine arts department is phenomenal. Both middle school and the high school put on amazing productions each year as do our choral and band departments.

At the core of all our activities is Christ. We are motivated and led by God's Word. Our staff starts each morning with prayer, and our teachers lead daily devotions with their students. Our faculty challenges the students to meet their highest academic potential while modeling Christ's love, discipline, and servant leadership.

The first day for students is Aug. 9th and we would be delighted to serve you and your family. If you are interested in learning more, please contact us for a tour.

Angelique Randall
Middle School | High School Principal
Dean of Students

High School for adults provides a second chance



The Excel Center® is a free public charter high school where adults can earn a high school diploma and begin post-secondary education.

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The Excel Center is tailored to the lives of busy adults to set them on a path and prepare them for success. Dedicated, licensed teachers lead direct-instruction classes. Students are also paired with a life coach who helps address any barriers to the students' education and success.

In addition, The Excel Center offers a free drop-in center for child care, transportation assistance and a flexible learning environment. Year-round class sessions allow students to learn at their own pace and complete needed educational requirements.

To graduate, students must fulfill Indiana's requirements for a diploma. However, the school meets students where they are in their education, so adults can pick up where they left off.

The Excel Center now has 12 locations in Indiana, including one in University Heights (3919 Madison Ave.) and one that will open in Clarksville this summer. All are operated by Goodwill Education Initiatives (GEI), the not-for-profit charter school operator created by Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana.

Indiana residents who do not have a high school diploma may enroll at The Excel Center, including those who have a GED/HSE. For more information or to enroll, visit excelcenter.org or call (317) 524-3925.

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HSE Classes (formerly GED) offer adults the opportunity to review, learn, and/or improve basic academic skills such as reading, writing, and mathematics. Instruction is tailored to meet the individual needs of the students, and is intended to prepare students to take the High School Equiva-

lency Test in five different testing areas: mathematics, writing, reading, science, and social studies.

Continuing Education courses are ideal for individuals looking to make a career change or advance in their current field. The successful completion of a Continuing Education course can result in students earning a state or nationally-recognized certification in their career of choice, including EMT, Firefighter, Certified Nurse Aide, Welding, Auto Maintenance, Electronic Systems Technician and Dental Radiology. New courses for the fall include Microsoft Office Specialist – Word 2016 and Quickbooks Certified User. CNC Machine Operator is offered in partnership with Ivy Tech.

Take the first step toward your educational goals! For more information on ESL and HSE Orientations and Continuing Education classes offered by Central Nine, call our office (888-4401 x222) or check out our website at centralnineadulthood.org.

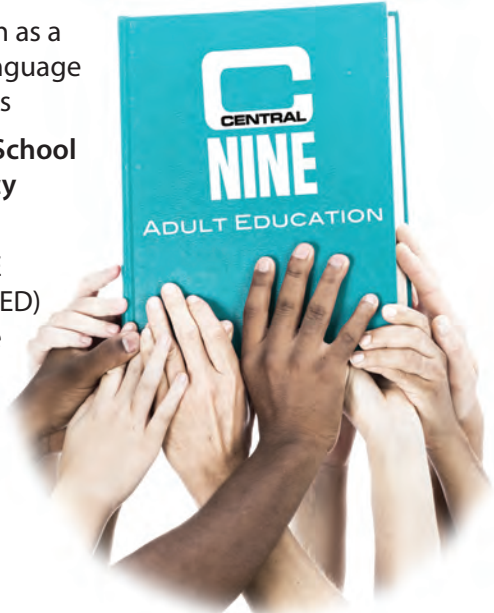
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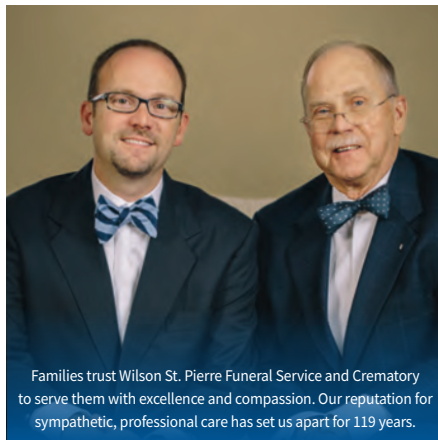
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Jean and Celia Feldhake.

Submitted photo

Assisted Living is the antidote to loneliness



By EUNICE TROTTER
American Senior
Communities

Jean and Celia Feldhake were married to brothers. In their younger years, the two couples often socialized together. But job-related moves to different states put distance between them.

They were recently reunited when they discovered they had both moved to the same American Senior Communities Assisted Living campus. Both had become widows and were starting their lives anew. They now live only a few doors away.

"It's been really very nice being here together," said Celia Feldhake. "We're together every day."

The ladies participate in numerous activities held on and off the campus. They have found comfort and companionship in each other and with their neighbors, the ladies said. Both were lonely before moving to the American Senior Communities Assisted Living neighborhood.

Social isolation and loneliness in seniors is an issue that continues to be on the rise. Despite the fact that

technology, like smartphones and social media, help us stay more connected to others, studies show that 20 percent of seniors feel somewhat isolated or lonely.

It's important to note that being socially isolated and feeling lonely are not the same issue; social isolation arises when a person does not have others to connect with, while loneliness is the experience of feeling distressed over not having enough contact with people.

According to the Administration on Aging, 35 percent of women over age 65 are widows, and by the time people reach age 85, 40 percent of them live alone. Although living alone doesn't always mean these seniors are isolated or lonely, if they aren't interacting with others on a regular basis, they may still experience a variety of negative effects on their overall health.

American Senior Communities offers Independent and Assisted Living at communities throughout the state and in Louisville, Ky. To find the community in your city, visit ASCSeniorCare.com.

ICONICrewind



From left, Diane O'Connor, Matthew O'Connor both of Greenwood and Kim McCormick of Center Grove.

Greenwood Freedom Festival draws its largest crowd to date

Patriotism - As the parade made its way around downtown Greenwood, viewers filled up nearly every open space along the sidewalks and greenways - kicking off the city's largest Freedom Festival to date. The annual

Freedom Festival comprised of more than 200 booths at the festival, more than previous years, a band competition to compete for a spot in the main stage performance next year, an Honoring Our Heroes ceremony and concluded with a fireworks show in the evening. Youth volunteers from Grace Assembly of God came at 11 p.m. to clean up the park.

Greenwood-based FRA branch installs officers

Veterans - Past regional president Robert Melson hands the gavel to Greg Puckett the newly installed president of branch 130. Greg works for Ray Skillman on US 31. Other officers installed at the June 5 meeting included 1st vice president Hank Jacoby of Greenwood, 2nd vice president Jerry Bennett of Perry Township, Secretary/Treasurer James F. Hayes of Indianapolis, Directors, Joe Lanning of Indianapolis, Jerry Cromer of Indianapolis, James Sattler of Mooresville, Ron Walters of Beach Grove, and Charles Cleveland of Mooresville. FRA Branch 130 holds its monthly meeting on the first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Greenwood VFW, 333 S. Washington St., Greenwood. They



also have a breakfast meeting on the second Tuesday at Denny's South Park at Main St and I-65 in Greenwood at 9 a.m. The Fleet Reserve Association is open to Veterans of the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, the sea services. For more information, visit fra130indy.org.



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OUR VIEW



Fisher of men

According to a recent Microsoft study, our attention spans are dwindling significantly. In fact, this particular study makes a comparison between humans and goldfish. The carnival pets edged out their captors by a second; humans were shown at an average attention span of 8 seconds, and goldfish came in at 9 seconds. How's that for an attention getter?

By now some business owners feel the need to condense advertising content and attach to it bells and whistles. After all, the squeaky wheel gets the grease.

Unfortunately, the grease will run out. We are bombarded with bells and whistles all day to the point that pop-up advertising has conditioned us to involuntarily find that tiny "x" with blind efficiency.

Unlike the noble goldfish, we yearn for more than falling flakes. Compelling content is and will forever be king. This is why asinine comparisons between apples and oranges like the aforementioned one draw readers in but leave them feeling cheated when logic is employed.

Of course Microsoft, with its grasp on digital, well, everything, would love for us to believe that quick and dirty information is the way to a consumer's heart or wallet if you will.

Of course, "attention-getting" is crucial. It's a cold call and seconds matter. But so is keeping the consumer engaged in a world of squeaky wheels.

The only difference between now and before the digital revolution is that humans process information faster, not that we are refusing to put in the required time to be compelled. Do not insult humans by selling them fish food.



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Life, liberty and the pursuit of a driverless car

HUMOR

By Gus Pearcy

Am I the only one scared turdless by the term, "autonomous vehicle?" Whose idea is it to put 2 million cars on the road with no drivers?

Yes, it is a real thing. Google, Tesla, Apple, Chevy and others are working on the automobile of the future with no driver. These autos (I just trademarked this), have no higher brain functions to anticipate things like curves or loose gravel or falling rocks. It's basically a Roomba vacuum in the driver's seat. It drives from point A to point B and hopefully, it won't kill any more than 12 pedestrians, changing directions with each contact. And here we were, worried about terrorists.

As an example of the frenzy for driverless technology, Ford Motor Company just fired its CEO because he had trouble defining the future of its autonomous vehicle program. This technology is expected to "hit the road" in less than two years. Texting while driving seems benign compared to the prospect of totally distracted passengers who are allowing the same technology that brought us the Frogger video game to do the driving.

Here are questions no one seems to be asking. (This is the essence of my job.)

Where will the passenger sit? Will you be behind the wheel or in the backseat?

Will Wi-Fi be necessary to engage a GPS program to guide the vehicle? How many yards will be destroyed because these programs haven't updated routes since the 1990s?

Why don't they make autonomous dishwashers? That's what I need. I don't even

want to go to the trouble of rinsing and loading my Melmac. I want this before I want a car that can double as a rolling coffin.

Driverless cars will take care of rampant jaywalking. I'm assuming that if you aren't in a designated pedestrian walkway, the killer car won't recognize you. It makes me believe the deer population is going to drop dramatically. Autonomous cars have no regard for pets. Mee-owwww!

What will a hacked vehicle computer mean? Will you suddenly be detoured from programmed destinations and end up at every car wash you pass?

It seems obvious to me that there will be a long transition mixing driverless and driver-full cars on the road. Meaning all accidents will be blamed on the human. Insurance rates will skyrocket. Why would you need to insure a driverless car? Technology will make it flawless, right? Forget the guy who died during a test of Tesla's driverless technology.

Last month, the Trump administration announced newer guidelines that will allow the technology to get on the road faster. I'm leery of policies enacted by politicians and bureaucrats that have never driven a car. By those standards, we should be suspicious of everything D.C. does. I know, I'm choir preaching again.



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THUMBS UP THUMBS DOWN



To Greenwood's Michael Archer for representing Team USA at the 2017 FIPFA World Cup, power soccer, in Kissimmee, Fla. on July 5 to 9. The team came in runner-up, losing to France in the final round. This was Archer's third time representing the nation in this sport, designed for people with power wheelchairs.

To Center Grove tennis player JT Embrey on winning the 16U Healthplex Championship.

To Dr. Davin E. Harpe, principal of Sugar Grove Elementary School, who was selected as Indiana's 2017 National Distinguished Principal by the National Association of Elementary School Principals.

To the two suspects, one male and one female, associated with multiple stolen credit cards at Greenwood and South Indianapolis retail stores. The Johnson County Sheriff's Office reported that if anyone has any tips, to contact (317) 346-4654 or Crimetips@johnson-countysheriff.com.

To Anytime Fitness Center Grove which reached its 3-Year Anniversary in July. Great job keeping area residents healthy and in shape!

To Franciscan Health on its ground breaking for their newest facility, an emergency department and micro-hospital on Stones Crossing.

QUOTE

"Be like the flower, turn your face to the sun."

- Kahlil Gibran

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An Option:

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THE SCOOP:

It is summer and Stacked Pickle at Southport has rolled out several menu items just in time for summer. The Ring of Fire Burger has Sriracha sauce, egg, onion ring, and avocado all on a burger. The Hoosier Mac is a burger with a patty, macaroni and bacon that "tastes like a piece of heaven," according to General Manager Mike Earnest. Also new to the menu are peanut butter pies, pretzel bites, dry rub jumbo wings with all ten Stacked Pickle homemade sauces. The emphasis at Stacked Pickle is on great food, putting quality over quantity. Fresh produce is used every day and food is hand-prepared starting each morning. Everything is fresh and never frozen. They host many dine-and-donate events for local organizations and hold philanthropy-related events.



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What do you like about this place?
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EVENTScalendar

Johnson County 4-H and Agricultural Fair • Join for the fair fun: 4-H exhibits, live entertainment, talent contest, style show, livestock auction and more! | When: July 16 - 22. | Where: Johnson County Fairgrounds, Franklin. | Info: johnsoncountyfair.com.

Harry Potter Party • Explore all things Harry Potter with our crafts, activities, food and fun. | When: July 17, 2:30 - 4 p.m. | Where: White River Branch library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Firehouse Day • Kiwanis Club of Greenwood will present "Firehouse Day." Proceeds of the day will benefit the Greenwood Fire Department. Sparky and his friend's "Big Truck" will be on hand for the event. Games, fun, food for the whole family. | When: July 22, 1 - 6 p.m. | Where: Otte Golf & Family Fun Center, 681 S. Sheek Rd. | Info: kiwanisgreenwoodin.com.

Self-Defense Class • Adult program: Rose Myers (Pilsung Martial Arts) will demonstrate how to avoid being a target, how to escape common physical situations, overcoming your body's natural response, and how to actively defend yourself. | When: July 24, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. | Where: White River Branch library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Cardboard Construction • Create buildings, vehicles, costumes, or whatever else imaginable out of cardboard, using the kid-safe Make-do cardboard construction tools (ages 6+). | When: July 25, 3 - 5 p.m. | Where: White River Branch library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Center Grove High School at The Cabaret • The Center Grove High School Choral Department and The Cabaret have partnered. Center Grove's Haley Burgh and Wilson Smith will open for Kyle Dean Massey. | When: July 28, 9:30 p.m. | Where: 615 N. Alabama St. #134, Indianapolis. | Info: centergrovechoirs.org.

Yacht Rock Revue • Get smooth on the lawn with the feel good sounds of the 70's and 80's. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 day of show. Children 12 and under are free. | When: July 29, 7 p.m. | Where: Mallow Run Winery, 6964 W. Whiteland Rd., Bargersville. | Info: mallowrun.com.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library: American Red Cross Blood Drive • All blood types are urgently needed. Ages 17 and up. Refreshments provided. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org. | When: Aug. 1, 9:30 - 3 p.m. | Where: White River Branch library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Dog Tags Triathlon • Johnson County Extension Homemakers hosts this fourth annu-

al event. All money stays in Johnson County to help retired veterans in need. | When: Aug. 5, 8 a.m. golf, 1:30 p.m. bowl, 3:30 p.m. corn hole. | Cost: \$200/two-person team. | Info: extension.purdue.edu/johnson, (317) 736-3724.

Clayton Anderson • Indiana's own rising country star: Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 day of show. Children 12 and under are free. | When: Aug. 5, 7 p.m. | Where: Mallow Run Winery, 6964 W. Whiteland Rd., Bargersville. | Info: mallowrun.com.

Silver Star Scholarship 6th Annual Golf Scramble • The golf scramble benefits a scholarship program which supports a graduate of Whiteland High School each year who intends to enlist in the armed services, or is a child or grandchild of a current or past veteran. Cost per golfer is \$75, and four-person teams with sponsorship start at \$500. | When: Aug. 7, check-in begins at 11:30 a.m. with shotgun start at 1 p.m. | Where: Valle Vista Golf Club, Greenwood. | Info: Registration is open now until July 18, 2017, silverstarscholarship.org.

Block Party • Create and construct with the library's collection of LEGO bricks each month. | When: Aug. 8, 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. | Where: White River Branch library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

50 Shades of Dark: Preparing for the Solar Eclipse • Join John Shepherd, Senior Astronomer at the Link Observatory in Mooresville, as he shares about the spectacular total solar eclipse, happening Aug. 21, 2017. | When: Aug. 16, 6:30 - 8 p.m. | Where: White River Branch library, 1664 Library Blvd., Greenwood. | Info: pageafterpage.org.

Hazelwood String Band • Part of the Summer Concert Series. | When: Aug. 18, 7 - 10 p.m. | Where: Town Hall, 24 N. Main St., Bargersville. | Info: townofbargersville.org.

Annual Daylily/Iris Sale • The Indiana Daylily-Iris Society will offer their daylilies and iris at reduced prices including varieties and colors not usually offered at local Garden Centers. Free admission. | When: Aug. 19, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. | Where: Sullivan Hardware & Garden, 6955 N. Keystone Ave., Indianapolis. | Info: indianadaylilyirisociety.org.

WAMMfest • Wine, Art, Music, Microbrew - WAMMfest is put on by the Sertoma Club of Greenwood with proceeds benefiting the community. | When: Aug. 19, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. | Where: Craig Park, Greenwood. | Info: wammfest.com.



Getting to know Robin...

- We're power lifters. 1986 was my first competition. My last was in 2000. We competed in Russia for Team USA. That was one of the biggest accomplishments was placing first on the team. My husband was a national champion. We both held records.
- I'm a big animal lover, and so is he. I'm a big cat fan and take care of feral cats and domestic cats.
- When we purchased the business, we were young and had to come up with a down payment. My husband had to sell his 1969 Dodge Charger from high school. He turned 50 four years ago. For his 50th birthday, I found the car and got it for him, the same car.
- On my 50th Birthday, I drove a NASCAR around Michigan International Speedway during the Richard Petty Driving Experience. I drove 126 mph. It was a blast and on my bucket list.

How did Robin do it?

BEST ADVICE:

John and Susan Colombe, who gave us this opportunity, told Roger and I to just be ourselves because we were outstanding individuals who they had all the confidence in the world in. They believed in us and took a gamble on us.

WORST ADVICE:

When you own your own business, you can set your own hours and you'll be rolling in the dough. That is absolutely false. It takes a lot of blood, sweat and tears to be a successful small business.

BEST BUSINESS DECISION:

To move into the business and work with my husband side-by-side.

SECRET TO SUCCESS:

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Commitment to Connect

Through the success of Direct Connect Printing, Robin and Roger Heldman take the opportunity to volunteer and support their community

By Nicole Davis

For Robin and Roger Heldman, the Southside is near and dear to their hearts. It's where they were born, raised and continue to own a business. For that reason, Robin says they feel a commitment to support the surrounding area. With the success of their business, Direct Connect Printing & Digital Services, it has allowed them to do just that.

"Since we've been here so long, we consider ourselves a cornerstone," Robin said. "If you remove a cornerstone from a building, it may not stand any longer. We feel a commitment to support this area that has supported us."

Robin is currently president of the Gateway Community Alliance, on the Fletcher Place Community Center board of directors, on the Madison Avenue Corridor Team for the Solndy Quality of Life Plan and a member of the Greater Southside Business Alliance. But she says that she couldn't be this active without the business.

After graduating from Manual High School, Robin worked for Indiana Farm Bureau. Roger started with Insty-Prints in 1978, working his way up from delivery, to press operator, to manager. In 1991, the owners, John and Susan Colombe, approached Roger and Robin to ask if they'd be interested in purchasing the franchised location, which they were.

Robin continued to work in administration for Indiana Farm Bureau while helping with the business from home. The shop grew to the point that Roger needed help on the sales and administration side. After 13 years with the bureau, Robin left to be at the shop full time.

"From that point, we've been running it together as a team," she said.

In 2007, the Heldmans decided to go independent, changing the name from Insty-Prints to Direct Connect.

"We fulfilled our commitment to the franchise," Robin said. "We worked hard to build our reputation based on our performance... Most people know our shop not as Insty-Prints, but as Robin and Roger's shop because we have a close connect to most of the community on a personal basis. We're here every day and at least one of us is here most of the time. We wanted



Above, Robin Heldman says Direct Connect has expanded its printing operations. Photo by Nicole Davis
Below, Roger and Robin Heldman receive a business achievement award from GSBA. Submitted photo

to establish ourselves as Direct Connect and be able to expand and offer more services to our clients."

The printing industry is ever-changing. Clients who used to bring in hard copies to the shop now have computers and printers at home.

"It changed drastically, but there's still need for commercial printing," Robin said. "We're a one-stop shop. We'll work with you on a concept. We have graphic designers on staff who will create, then go into the print process, either digital or offset. We've expanded to the promotional product line. We've learned to offer more than just printing."

Currently, Roger and Robin work full-time at the shop with three other full-time employees.

Robin said it's the contact with the public and delivering quality products to clients that she finds most rewarding about owning Direct Connect.

"My husband and I have a strong sense of making a difference and impacting lives," she said. "We both come from backgrounds that are not perfect. We've learned to embrace the opportunities that we've been given. By having a successful business, it allows us to give back. I'm the extrovert so I like to be out and communicate, socialize. This is a way for me to do it, but in a way to make a difference."

Currently, she is leading the

marketing efforts for Fletcher Place's upcoming fundraiser, the 8th Annual Culinary Collage, to take place on July 16, 1 to 4 p.m. at the University of Indianapolis. Since its inception, the event has grown from raising \$8,000 in the first year, to \$50,000 in 2016.

"The Culinary Collage is my baby," she said. "I was on the first committee that started it. The third year, they asked me to chair the committee... It's grown tremendously, but only through the support of businesses and the university. It's a wonderful demonstration of community involvement. That's what's so rewarding about it. It's not just an event that you come and you forget about. It has an impact throughout the year. Fletcher Place, their mission and vision is something my husband and I are strong supporters of, knowing the services they provide and who they provide them for. I take a lot of pride in this fundraiser because 100 percent of the proceeds go to Fletcher. There is no expense Fletcher has to spend to put this on. Everything is donated."

As president of the GCA, she said they are trying to revitalize and bring new business to help the existing corridor. That vision overlaps with Solndy's Madison Avenue Corridor Team.

"My vision is to see Madison Avenue become a Main Street Corridor that offers a variety of businesses that are unique and are necessary to support the neighborhoods, and vice versa, the neighbors to support the businesses. Nowadays everything is online. But you can never replace the personal contact and service that a small business can give a person. That's where my husband and I are adamant about providing good customer service. We greatly appreciate the support of our clients. We treat the small, one copy person the same way we treat our corporate accounts. Every client is important to us."



PERSONNEL MATTERS

Call me, maybe?

By Mike Heffner

It has become painfully apparent in our business that there are differences in communication styles with the older and younger generations. Generation Y likes to text, Tweet, Snapchat and instant message. Baby boomers and older Gen Xers tend to prefer phone calls and emails. On top of that, the younger employees now use all sorts of abbreviations, informal language and colloquialisms. This has made for some definite challenges and can cause some real communication breakdowns in the workplace.

I have found that leaders and employees need to find ways to communicate with their colleagues in the ways each person prefers. I have also found that nothing replaces the good, old face-to-face meetings. We try to meet in teams in our office at least once a day and larger groups every other week. This brings staff members of different generations together for face-to-face conversations. This helps build trust and can help break down some of the barriers that can occur with digital communications.

A good friend of mine shared this tidbit with me as we were discussing the best way to communicate these days. He asked me a rhetorical question, "How do you initiate and also get cooperation in a conversation?" He said it starts with a breakdown of the word conversation. He taught me that "con" is from the Latin word that means with or together. A simple way to think of the root of the word is the meaning to turn to one another, to face one another. That's what people do when they converse.

Then he shared that in order to not have

one-way conversations or "versations" then we have to get both parties involved. He said, "If you don't respond to my text, then maybe I need to turn to you via the phone? Perhaps it is truly a face-to-face interaction that will work best?"

I think it's easy to automatically stereotype generations into preferred communication methods, but I think time is breaking down even those stereotypes. Technology is changing and messaging comes in many forms. It used to be the telegram, a written letter or an in-person visit. Then, not long ago, it moved to AOL and you would hear, "You've got mail." We've come so far from even that day and age.

To say that one method is the best to communicate in the workplace is to forget about the multitude of methods that exist today. Choices are abundant and are as numerous as an individual's preferences. Maybe what Carly Rae Jepsen meant when she sang, "Call me, maybe?" is that maybe calling will work, but maybe texting is better or maybe reach out to me via Snapchat or Instagram. Perhaps she wants you to dial her landline, but maybe, just maybe sending her a memo via fax will really get her attention? Here's my number. Call me, maybe?



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BUSINESS

ASC O2NE program adds nurses

Health care – Four Southside residents were among the 13 people who completed nursing programs offered through American Senior Communities. The graduates work at nursing centers operated by ASC and were participants in the Opportunities to Nursing Excellence program, which paid for their nursing programs at various accredited colleges. The Southside graduates are Dawn Rigsby, RN, of Greenwood Meadows; Rebecca Foust, RN of Meadow Lakes, Mooresville; Kortny Wilson, RN, Rosegate. Graduate Jennifer Roberts, RN, works at the ASC Home Office, which is located on the Southside.



Since its inception, the program, known as O2NE, has helped 132 men and women become registered nurses and licensed practical nurses. For more information, visit ASCSeniorCare.com.

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Planning e-Christmas in July

By Andrew Angle

If the Christmas/holiday sales season is important to your business, now is the time to make your action list and check it twice.

Set your seasonal sales goals and craft a plan to achieve them. Don't just daydream about it. Take a break from your busywork and get started now. If your plan isn't in action by the time the sleigh bells start jingling through piped-in music at the stores, it might be too late. Respect the old axiom, "If you fail to plan you plan to fail!"

The digital marketing space allows you to set up new web pages and promotions relatively quickly, but depending upon what you are trying to do, the reality of getting your offer noticed amid the shopping frenzy can still take more time than you wish it did. If

any part of successfully achieving your sales goal depends upon getting your deal ranked and seen in search engines, know that it can take weeks or months to get the related pages and/or ads built, crawled and ranked. Search Engine Optimization and Marketing is a process that needs to get started early.

"Learn from competitors. If you are not already on your competitors' e-mail and snail-mail lists, you should be."

Learn from

competitors. If you are not already on your competitors' e-mail and snail-mail lists, you should be. Search your email folders and check out each of your competitor's promotions. How do they stack up compared to yours?

What about their web promotions? Although their sites don't show them now, you can always check archive.org to see what their site looked like in the past.

The one digital marketing trend from last year that will continue into this year is that the cost of buying visibility through Google, facebook, amazon and others will continue to rise. If you are a business owner, you have undoubtedly received coupons inviting you to buy and manage your own ad campaigns. The real-

ity is that online advertising is complex and costly enough that the savings of hiring a pro to manage your digital marketing can more than offset their fees. And, if you do want to use professionals to optimize your reach, now is the time to put your priorities on their production calendars.



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PEER TO PEER

The taxman cometh to a medicine cabinet near you

By Howard Hubler

By the time that this article hits the press we will know if the GOP has gotten its gump-tion together to eliminate the Affordable Care Act. Why, because it is neither "affordable," nor does it give "care" to a large number of people. Why does it not give care? One, the deductibles are so high on many plans to be otherwise affordable, huh? Two, most younger people unfortunately do not get sick enough to pay off the deductible to use the plan to get the care. Did you get that? Yes, reread it, it makes perfect governmental sense. The other reason is that many doctors refuse to honor your plan because it does not pay them enough to serve your medical needs, thus they will not care for you.

Obamacare includes one trillion dollars of new and hidden taxes to help pay for the plan and it still loses money! Just as the ACA was put into place, the Health Care Savings Account concept was just getting up to steam. This employer-based plan gave you insurance each month at a reduced coverage. However then it gave you tax-free cash monthly to help offset your health care needs, from Tylenol to surgery. But, if you managed your family's health care costs wisely enough, you PROBABLY made money on the deal. I did! You put this cash into a plan at the bank that was tax free, thus compounding your yield, giving you incentive to keep health care costs down. The State of Indiana was on this plan and it reduced the climb of healthcare cost.

Now, under Obama Care, the founders took the Health Savings Accounts and re-

moved several features out of it and made the features only optional if a doctor prescribed it. This takes away the simplicity and the patient's responsible choice aspect. For example if you wanted to pay for over the counter pain killers from the account, or the oft famous "birth control pill package", you now needed a written prescription, yes, even for a bottle of Tylenol!

In closing, if you have a summer house in Arizona with a few hundred thousand of equity in it, when you sell it, you will become familiar with just one Obamacare tax. Say you sell your Arizona home for \$300,000; well, your CPA will send \$24,000, or 12 percent, to the feds to help in retirement, this doesn't include any capital gains to pay. And you thought you were clever beating your real estate broker out of a percent or two. Your 24k went from your family that earned it, to one that made a life of poor decisions that did not earn it. The cable news stories who say the GOP wants to kill people and make us starve to death forget to tell us of these one trillion in Obama care taxes. Oh, your kids are paying for Obamacare as well as they pay their newly "exorbitant" high-interest college loans. Folks, this is not even the half of it.



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PLANNER OF NOTE

Upcoming chamber meetings and events

- 4 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Arthur Murray Dance Studio Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting); Aug. 4, 3 - 4 p.m., 954 N. State Rd. 135, Suite D, Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.
- 17 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Legislation Matters Luncheon); Aug. 17, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Valle Vista Golf & Conference Center, 755 E. Main St., Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.
- 24 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (August Membership

101); Aug. 24, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., 65 Airport Pkwy., Suite 140, Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.

25 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Girls Inc. of Johnson County Renovation Ribbon Cutting); July 25, 4 - 5 p.m., 200 E. Madison St., Franklin. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.org.

26 - Greater Southside Business Alliance (July Member Meeting); July 26, 7 p.m., Perry Township Education Center. Allie Kast, Indianapolis Mayor's Neighborhood Advocate, will be the featured speaker. For more information, visit gsbaweb.org.

27 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (2017 Chamber Golf Classic); July 27, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Dye's Walk Country Club, 2080 S. State Rd. 135, Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.org.



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FEATURE



Dr. Brian Barber uses a holistic approach with his patients in his Southside office.



Submitted photos

Treating the whole person

Dr. Brian Barber opens direct primary care practice, Amazing Grace Family Medicine, in Perry Township

Compiled by Nicole Davis

When Dr. Brian Barber opened Amazing Grace Family Medicine in Perry Township in February, the vision for what he wanted his practice to stand for was clear.

"Amazing Grace Family Medicine is a different kind of medical practice," he said. "We are a faith-based, Christian medical office dedicated to treating the whole person, from the physical, emotional and spiritual standpoint. Traditional and alternative medical care is provided in our comfortable office using an integrative approach to your health. We provide cost-effective, personalized services that are simply not available at other primary care medical offices."

Having worked for a large hospital network in the past, Barber said he felt there had to be a better model.

"If you're seeing 30 patients a day and you have 10, 15 minutes with each patient," he said, "it's hard to go into - I see you're blood pressure is out of control, lets talk about what you eat. How much exercise do you do? Have you seen a personal trainer? Let's talk about your daily routine. Let's make sure you're potassium and sodium is fine. You can't treat a whole person in 10 minutes because you can't get to know a whole person in 10 minutes."

Barber spends an hour with new patients, and typically half an hour for follow-ups. Clients pay \$100 a month and receive unlimited visits with labs included.

"I like to explain it to patients that it's like a health club," he said. "You pay \$100 a month. You come in when you want to. You have services available to you a la carte. We can get you a chiropractor. We do dry needle acupuncture. We have a weight loss program called Control, where you pay for 16 weeks and at the end of the period if you're the person who lost the most, you get cash... I don't bill your insurance. We're not a rich man's healthcare system. We're geared toward that \$50 - 70,000 household income range, towards those middle-income families that have high deductible healthcare plans and an HSA card."

Barber said direct primary care is a growing trade, with a 25 percent increase in these businesses opening in the past year.

"The message we want to get across is it's affordable," he said. "The holistic approach to healthcare, integrated medicine, the affordability and extended time period with the doctor is all part of the philosophy."

Why did you open this business?

I wanted to provide a faith-based alterna-

tive to the insurance-driven, 10-minute visit "rat race" that has become healthcare.

What did you do to prepare for opening your business?

I did research to determine the demographics of patients I would be serving, I read marketing studies that looked at how many physicians were available to the population, and I looked for a practice in close proximity to our church.

Who is your ideal customer/client?

A family with a high-deductible health plan who values their faith, or someone who wants to be treated as a whole person and not just receive the "10-minute and out the door."

How do you plan to be successful?

By reaching out to individuals and employers to offer low-cost, quality healthcare and use social media and word-of-mouth to spread the word.

What would we be surprised to learn about you or your company?

We offer alternative treatments such as acupuncture/dry needling, personal training, and Christian counseling to help treat the whole person.

BUSINESS



Home Health Care staff will be missed

Closure – As of June 30, Walgreens has closed the Home Health Care sections in the six stores that had those services. The one at State and Raymond will impact the most customers who have come to depend on the health care for products that would be found nowhere else. The three ladies that work in that department have 69 combined years of experience. They are Kathy Criswell (17 years) Lita Armstrong (11 years); Carolyn Williams (41 years).

AROUND TOWN

City of Greenwood residential historic district clears final approval

National register – A residential neighborhood in downtown Greenwood has been officially designated on the National Register of Historic Places. The homes, some of which are more than 150 years old, are located northeast of Main Street and U.S. 31 and are on both sides of Madison Avenue. The application for the designation was funded by a grant from the Department of the Interior through the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archeology. City officials partnered with local non-profit Restore Old Town Greenwood on the project. The designation will allow homeowners in the area to qualify for tax credits to pay for renovations and restorations of their homes. It does not limit homeowners' ability to make changes to their properties or restrict how a particular property is used or sold. Senior Planner Ed Ferguson, who led the project, will receive the official certification of designation on behalf of the City at the annual Department of Natural Resources Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony at the DNR Amphitheater on the Indiana State Fairgrounds on Aug. 7, 12:30 p.m. The event is open to the public, however, tickets are required.



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Five things everyone one needs to know about their wireless network

TECH SAVVY

By Regina Miller

Let's face it, we all feel the need for speed and any hiccups we get along the way frustrate us to no end. So, how do we align what we expect to what is reasonable to expect from our in-home WiFi? Let me help you help yourself.

1 A \$50 router is NOT going to give you coverage in every nook and cranny of 4,000 custom built home with a basement any more than a VW Beetle is going to tow a tractor trailer. Buy the right equipment for the right size and type of space you're trying to cover. Wireless uses radio waves and while they are not the same as those to a radio or even a microwave, they can still be obstructed. Often times, one router or gateway isn't enough. You may very well need extenders to boost the signal in harder to reach areas.

2 Network equipment is not suited to last forever. While the manufacturer's warranty is typically only one year, typically you can expect networking

equipment to function about 3-5 years. That's the last credible research I've seen published and my experience in the field suggests that's still the case. Older equipment did seem to last longer, but the speed of development also increased a lot in that time period, so at times it was worthwhile to replace working equipment for newer, faster frequencies.

3 Networking equipment is among the most sensitive of all electronics. Modems, routers and switches fall victim to electrical spikes, brownouts and interference more than your normal plugged-in contraption. Surge suppressors, which are not the same as plain old power strips, are recommended. Some people even go as far as battery backups.

4 Routers get weaker with age. It's not uncommon for the distance a router transmits its signal to decrease over time even when other variables haven't changed. Think of your laptop. When you first got it, it probably seem liked the battery lasted forever. A couple years later, not so much. While a router doesn't have a battery, its ability to transmit still decreases over time.

5 This one is important, folks: Routers don't typically fail all at once. That's been the bane of every technician's existence. Failing routers start failing by acting peculiar. It's not always something obvious like one port not working. If a router doesn't have replicable behavior from one day to the next, it's failing. If it won't release and renew IP addresses, it's failing. And above all else - if your router ca't be sent back to the factory, it has failed! You're not overlooking something. Power cycling it will only make it chug on a little longer. Your router is now a very tiny boat anchor. Get rid of it. Recycle it. Replace it and move on with your life. For those of you that have gone through this already, you know what I'm talking about. For those who haven't, you can either trust me or learn the way the rest of us did - by spending five hours troubleshooting a failed piece of equipment baffled by unpredictable and un-replicable behavior.

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6 School Supplies

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4 Bands

3 Southside Neighborhoods

2 Indy Area Restaurants

1 Center Grove High School Mascot

ACROSS

1. No. on a bill
5. Indiana Geological Survey layers
11. WTTV police series
14. The Big Easy, for short
15. Ulndy grad student's work
16. WTHR's *Days of ___ Lives*
17. Big to-do at Kroger?
19. IU degree for a future CEO
20. Crane Naval Base rank (Abbr.)
21. Greenwood Farmers Market sweet potato
22. Comments to an IRT audience
24. Former WRTV news anchor Clyde
25. IMA still-life piece
27. Made over
29. Seniors' grp.
31. A bit moist
34. Opera set in Egypt
35. CD follower
38. Albom book: ___ *With Morrie*
40. Hidden Dyes Walk putting surface?
42. Storyteller
44. Former Colts TE Dilger
45. L x W
46. Lightly burn at Applebee's
48. McAlister's, e.g.
52. Central points
54. Big Ten school: ___ State
57. Marked a ballot
58. Brews tea
61. Brickyard Billiards stick
62. Chum
63. Sundial numeral
64. ICON home... and an anagram of 17- and 40-Across
67. Brown County B&B
68. Former Monon transports
69. ___-friendly
70. Denny's omelet ingredient
71. Tampa neighbor
72. Change for a twenty at Chase

DOWN

1. Meteorologist Buchman
2. Ossip's lens cover
3. Less distant
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5. Drinker's request at Chili's
6. Like some birthday parties
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8. Offshore
9. Gleaners Food Pantry cans
10. Buzzing with activity
11. Mike Epps, for one
12. Financial support
13. BMO Harris offering
18. Pupil's place
23. Low-traffic street
26. Run-down digs
28. Prosecutors, for short
32. Coffeehouse Five vessel
33. Job extra
36. Midwest Fertility stock
37. New York team
39. "Get it?"
40. Reaching the highest point
41. ___ v. *Wade*
42. Hoosier Park unlikely winner
43. Popping up
47. Fairly new
49. Make public
50. Raise dough
51. Goof-offs
53. Religious offshoots
55. St. Vincent Health worker
56. Not pos.
59. Smart-alecky
60. Hike the ball to Andrew Luck
63. Compete
65. 20-20 at Mackey Arena
66. Rural Indiana dirt road feature

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"I see you"

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DEVOTIONAL

By Pastor
Chris Philbeck

Having been a pastor for almost four decades, I've had the experience of meeting a lot of people. I've also had the experience of counseling a lot of people. And one thing I've observed is that there are a lot of lonely people in the world. Now we need to understand that loneliness is different than being alone. There are times when I enjoy being alone and there have been times when I felt lonely. The two are not the same. Loneliness can be debilitating. The Hebrew word translated "desolate" or "lonely" in the Old Testament can be defined like this: "forsaken" or "wretched." There's no deeper sadness than the feeling that we are alone in the world, without a friend and without anyone who cares for us."

Recognizing this reality that plagues so many people creates a great ministry opportunity for someone who is simply willing to notice others. In their book, *Next Door as it is in Heaven*, authors Lance Ford and Brad Briscoe discuss the reality of loneliness and contrast the all too common relational aloofness of our American culture with a daily practice found among the tribes of northern Natal in South Africa. There, each day they greet each other with the words *Sawu bona* (the equivalent to "hello" in English). But this is much more than an

ordinary "hello" because the phrase literally means, "I see you." And if you are a member of the tribe, you would reply by saying *Sikhona* which means, "I am here." The order of the exchange is important: until you see me, I do not exist, but when you acknowledge that you see me, you bring me into existence. That can make a huge difference in the life of someone who is lonely.

So here's a great challenge for everyone reading these words. As you go through your day, take the risk of saying to someone, "I see you." It might not be in those exact words, but you get the idea. One of the great (and comforting) promises of the Scriptures is that God sees us. Psalm 33:13 says, *From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind.* I like knowing that there is never a moment when God doesn't see (acknowledge) me. And one way to be like God is to take the time to see those around you. In the process you just might encourage a lonely heart.



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OBITUARIES

CENTER GROVE

George W. "Sonny" Estell II

George W. "Sonny" Estell II, 72, of Greenwood, died June 20, 2017. He was born Sept. 5, 1944 in Indianapolis to the late George Estell, Sr. and Mary Estell. A memorial service was June 28 at Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care, 7520 Madison Ave., Indianapolis.

Keith Hampton

Keith Hampton, 68 of Martinsville, died on July 4, 2017. He graduated from Ben Davis High School. Keith was the proud owner of Hampton's Market in Greenwood. He was a member of Southport Masonic Lodge #270 F&AM, Indianapolis, Indiana and Glens Valley Conservation Club. Calling was July 7 at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory, Greenwood Chapel 481 W. Main St. A celebration of Keith's life was July 8 at the funeral home. Burial will be in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

Christina Heidenreich

Christina Heidenreich, 92, of Greenwood, died June 28, 2017. She was born Nov. 27, 1924 in Eubank, Ky. to the late Thomas Franklin and Laura Earles. Visitation and funeral was July 3 at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Rd. 135. Burial will be at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Janet L. Jones

Janet L. Jones, 85, of Greenwood, died on June 16, 2017. She was born on July 6, 1931 in Indianapolis to the late Wayne and Reba Haviland.

Funeral services were June 21 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave. She will be laid to rest in Round Hill Cemetery.

Andrew J. Spurlock

Andrew J. Spurlock, 26, of Indianapolis, died June 16, 2017. Born Dec. 29, 1990 in Indianapolis, he was a 2009 Center Grove graduate, and attended Ball State and IUPUI. Graveside service was June 24 at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, with a Celebration of Life at Emmanuel Church of Greenwood.

Donald Ray "Tater" Tate

Donald Ray "Tater" Tate, 70, of Greenwood, died May 24, 2017. He was born Jan. 29, 1947 in Indianapolis to the late James L. and Edith F. (Alford) Tate. Donald was in the 1966 class at Center Grove High School. Memorial service was July 10 at Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care, 7520 Madison Ave., Indianapolis.

John R. Williams

John R. Williams, 86, of Greenwood, died on June 15, 2017. He was born on Aug. 13, 1930 in Chicago, Ill. to the late John and Mary Williams. Visitation was June 18 with a Rosary at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Rd. 135. Prayers and Mass of Christian Burial was June 19 at Our Lady of Greenwood Catholic Church, 335 S. Meridian St. 46143. Burial is at Calvary Cemetery.



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Answers to HOOSIER HODGEPODGE:

Supplies: BOOKS, CRAYONS, ERASER, PAPER, PASTE, PENS;

Fruit: APPLE, BANANA, MANGO, ORANGE, PEAR;

Bands: QUEEN, STYX, THE BEATLES, THE WHO;

Neighborhoods: HOMECROFT, SMITH VALLEY, WATERLOO;

Restaurants: OCEANAIRE, ST. ELMO;

Mascot: TROJANS

Q&A

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Derrick Christy

Center Grove entrepreneur looks to take Greenwood to the next level with technology improvements

By Nicole Davis

Technology is the future - and Derrick Christy aims for his companies to lead by example.

A Center Grove High School graduate, Christy founded his first business, Approved Mortgage Corporation, in 1994. In 2000, he constructed a three-story, multi-tenant office building at 107 N. State Rd. 135, Greenwood. That one business has grown into nine different brands, under Christy Ventures.

Christy says business is going well. Distance Learning Systems, an online education company, has classes currently undergoing approval by The American Council on Education. Approved Mortgage merged with A Winterwood Mortgage Group in August 2016, making it the largest mortgage

banker in Central Indiana. Dialing Innovations, a technology company, landed its largest client - installing phone systems at Subway restaurants across North America.

Design work is completed for an additional office building to be constructed to the south of the current complex on State Road 135. The new three-story building will be 30,000 square feet, with a more modern look on the inside. Christy said this growth and continued success wouldn't be possible without his amazing team members.

"We try to cultivate a culture that is unique, a positive environment and fun," he said. "To give back to the staff, we renovated the kitchen. We bring in fresh fruits and vegetables. We have free Starbucks and teas. It saves money,

time and is a nice perk for a company to provide. We did a solar table outside. You plug in your laptops, mobile devices and work out there. We have walking meetings. Studies show you think better when you're exercising. With the new building, we're trying to have a courtyard out back, overlooking the golf course."

Christy said they are also looking to create a solar array with 450 solar panels.

"One of my passions, I'd really like to help Greenwood attract technology companies," he said. "One of the ways I'd like to do that is to create a solar array on our properties here that would create a green energy source to provide a Tier 3 data center that technology companies want or need. Like with us, Subway depends on

their phones working. The only way their phone works is if our computers work. If for some reason our generator doesn't fire, we want to create a battery bank with solar. It's a cool thing if we could be the first in Greenwood. For Indiana to be growing, progressive and attracting new or mature companies, it would create an opportunity in Greenwood that doesn't exist."

Christy is a member of the Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce and Vistage, a CEO peer group with which he said he has grown from a professional perspective. To give back, Christy and his staff get involved with causes throughout the year such as Toys for Tots, Pack Away Hunger and more. They will host a blood drive on July 21.

Here, learn more about our August ICON of the Month, Derrick Christy.

What do you consider your greatest virtue? Integrity

What do you most deplore in others? It pains me to see others who don't apply themselves or give their best effort in life to get the most out of their passion, mission, career and/or relationships.

What do you like most about living in Center Grove? I enjoy living in Center Grove because this is where I grew up and graduated from Center Grove, so being able to grow and serve the community is a blessing.

If you had to live anywhere else in the Metro Indianapolis area, where would it be? I am right where I want to be or I would have already moved.

If you could begin life over, what would you change? I am thankful for the life I have been granted and wouldn't change anything. I am looking forward to what God has in store in the next chapters.

If money were no issue, how would you spend it? I would give more for charity and ministry would be at the very top of my list.

What makes you happiest? I enjoy spending quality time with family on vacation or at dinners throughout the week.

What is your favorite vacation spot? My favorite vacation spot is along the Amalfi coast of Italy.

What do you do with idle time? By choice I don't make a lot of idle time in my life. I never enjoyed sleeping much; Benjamin Franklin said, "there will be sleeping

enough in the grave". I may read or listen to an audio book about business or leadership in idle time.

What is it that makes you angry? I really try not to allow anything to get me to the point of being angry because I realize this is a negative energy and is a waste of mental capacity that could be used instead for good or accomplishment.

What do you do to escape from reality? I enjoy working out at home or time in the steam room for some absolute solitude. I also enjoy boating; being out on the water is relaxing and tends to remove my mind from work or issues I am thinking through.

What or who is the greatest love of your life? Jesus Christ is the love of my



life first and foremost as well as my wife, Jeanene. We have two amazing kids, my son Blake is 25 and my daughter, Jena is 18.

What is the quality you like most in a man? I

like seeing a man with strong character in the face of adversity that displays integrity and resolve.

What is the quality you like most in a woman?

I think women that are intuitive and connect emotionally to positively influence those around them with compassion is a special gift.

What is your greatest extravagance?

I would consider my home and vacation home to be my greatest extravagance but I have been intentional with these assets as a part of

my overall real estate portfolio.

What are your fears/phobias? Life experiences can sometimes give you silly fears; just once my car came off the tracks in a car wash so I am a little anxious going through the car wash now as a result.

What has been the happiest time of your life? The happiest time of my life would be the day I accepted salvation, the day I got married and experiencing the birth of my children.

Which talent would you most like to possess? There are so many talents I would like to possess but playing an instrument would be fantastic.

What do you most value in your friends? Loyalty.

Which historical figure do you most admire? Benjamin Franklin because of his many accomplishments which has been a positive influence in my life as he is my 7th Great-Grandfather.

What is your greatest regret? There are decisions you make that may be different in the future but that new course is what shapes your life for the better. Benjamin Franklin created a system to track progress in building 13 virtues. I realize I will never master the list but will keep striving.

What tenet do you live by? Another quote by Benjamin Franklin and he had many, "Each year, one vicious habit discarded, in time might make the worst of us good". I attempt to be continually improving myself, expanding my intellect and improve my interaction with people.

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