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Col. Todd Schmidt, a Greenwood native, spoke to the congregation of Triumph Church in Greenwood on Veterans Day. He has served active duty in the U.S. Army for the past 22 years, with tours to Afghanistan, Qatar and Kuwait. Schmidt is currently pursuing a doctorate in political science with a concentration on American politics at the University of Kansas. He has also been invited to speak at West Point Military Academy and Oxford University. (Photo by Bridget Lindstrom)

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More than 100 arrested in Johnson County drug sweep

By Nancy Price

FEATURE

An enormous drug sweep in Johnson County last Thursday has led to the arrest of 120 people.

As of 6 a.m. on Nov. 8, more than 200 officers in and around Johnson County began raiding various locations throughout the county.

Those arrested are facing 135 counts for

dealing meth, 24 counts for dealing heroin and eight counts for dealing cocaine. The arrests came after six months of investigation from Franklin police and Johnson County Prosecutor's Office.

Because some arrests fell outside of Johnson County's jurisdiction, Indiana State Police and U.S. Marshals were called to assist. Some of the dealers had crossed county lines to sell in Johnson County.

No police officers or suspects were in-

jured during the arrests.

This is the largest drug bust in Johnson County's history. Last year, the prosecutor's office charged 63 individuals in one day. According to Johnson County Prosecutor Brad Cooper, the majority of heroin and meth appeared to be coming from Mexico.

Approximately 75 percent of felony charges filed in Johnson County are related to drug activities.

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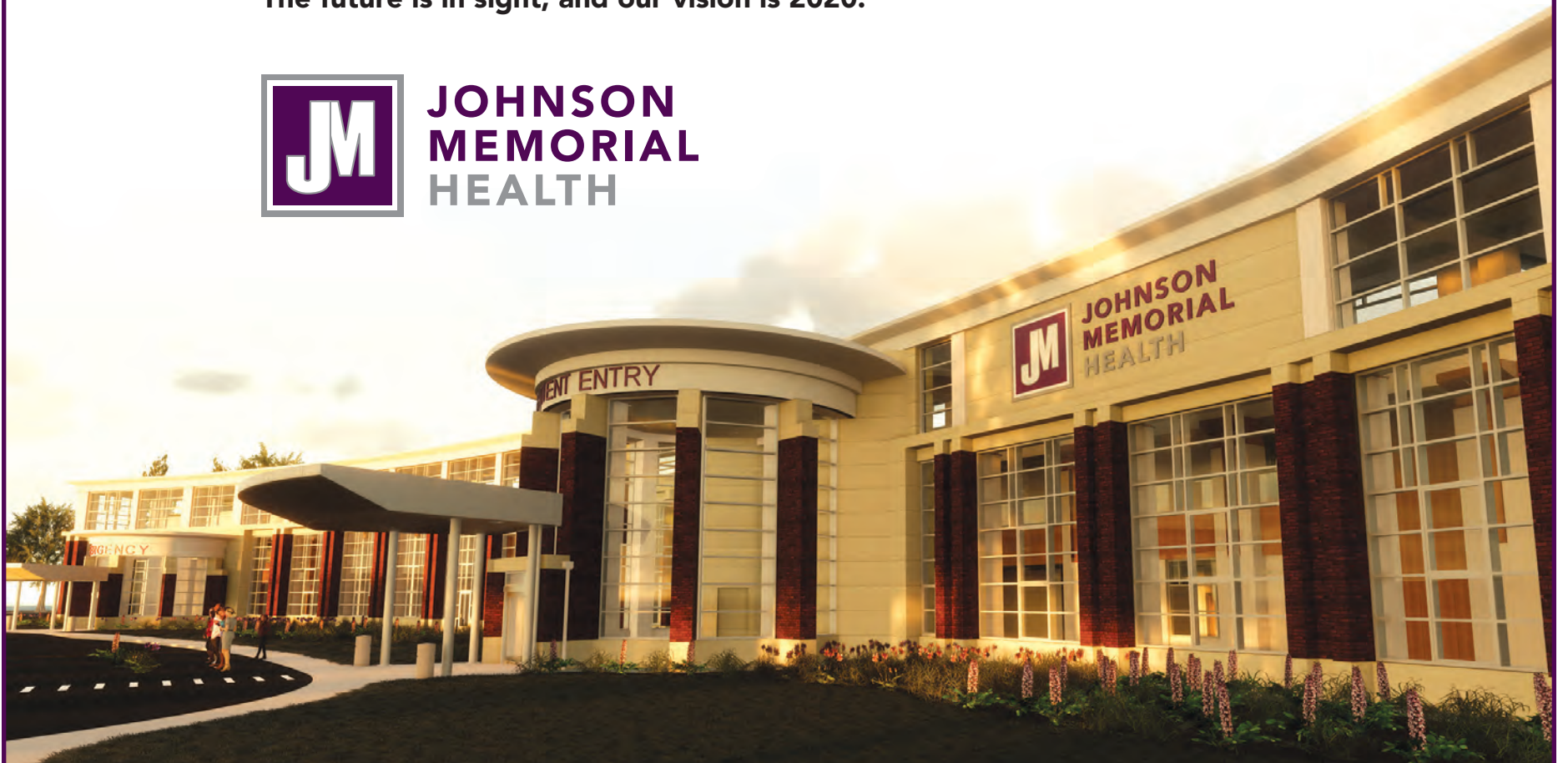
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ISDH awarded grant to study sudden infant deaths

Health & Safety - The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) has been awarded a grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to participate in the Sudden Unexplained Infant Death (SUID) and Sudden Death in the Young (SDY) Registry. The five-year grant will enhance ISDH's coordination with the CDC's SUID/SDY Case Registry. It also will support efforts to improve investigation techniques, promote safe sleep education and obtain more accurate and complete data for the registry through work with state and local child fatality review teams, coroners, law enforcement and the Indiana Department of Child Services. ISDH is one of 23 grant recipients selected nationwide.

Greenwood students named members of campus ministry

Faith - The following students are members of the Newman Catholic Campus Ministry at Ashland University: Sabrina Maristela of Greenwood (46143) and Matthew Reising of Greenwood (46143). Religiously affiliated with the Brethren Church, Ashland University (ashland.edu) deeply values the individual student.

Sherman & Armbruster becomes Compass Pointe CPAs

Name change - A long-time Greenwood accounting and tax firm has changed its name. Sherman & Armbruster, LLP has become Compass Pointe CPAs, LLP. The firm will continue to be located at 609 Treybourne Dr., Suite A, Greenwood. "This name change is part of the growth plan for our firm," said Patrick A. Sherman, CPA and Founding Partner. The firm's services will continue to focus on accounting; business formation and entrepreneurial support; tax planning and technical research; and legacy and succession planning. The Compass Pointe CPAs' telephone number will remain the same: (317) 881-6670, as does its fax number: (317) 887.5692. Sherman and Marty Armbruster, CPA/PFS, CFP®, founded Sherman & Armbruster LLP in 1983.



HISTORY & ARCHITECTURE



The "W" tree, named after the letter's shape, was a Tulip poplar estimated to be about 160 years old. (Submitted photo)

The Royston family and the 'W' tree on Smokey Row Road

By Jeff Beck

Stories shared in this History & Architecture article are provided by interviews, memory and newspaper articles from the *Franklin Evening Star* (now the *Daily Journal*) from 1956, courtesy of retired CGS educator, Mr. John Frank.

Claude Royston and his family lived approximately one-half mile west of the railroad tracks on County Line Road (from the Southside of the highway). The family home is still sitting at its original location. The Royston family is greatly respected in the WRT/CGS community as hard-working parents, giving friends, happy children and good neighbors. *Readers, if you can share any information on when and why the family settling in WRT, please let me know. Coffee and local history are always good to share.*

Claude Royston Sr. is credited with drilling the first water well for Center Grove Schools.

CG Elementary School photos from 1972-73 show two black girls. A friend of mine said the girls lived on State Road 135, south of Stones Crossing Road. Yet my research found no information on the names of the

children or their home location. *ICON readers, do you have any knowledge of the young girls and if they were a part of the Royston family?*

The 'W' tree

A tree, known as the "W" tree due to its shape as the letter, was on Smokey Row Road, just east of the curve before entering the Bluff Creek community, for many years. The tree was a Tulip poplar, estimated at 160 years of age. A wooded lot that housed the tree was soon to become the future home for Charlie and Midge Baker in 1962. Bill and Roseanna Delpha were their next-door neighbors. Albert and Vicky Lorber owned the woods sometime after the Bakers and Delpha's moved in. Albert was a local minister and Vicky was a CG Elementary School teacher. Charlie was an outstanding man and talented artist who helped both CGS and the Community Church of Greenwood with his services. Midge started the first food pantry in the WRT community while serving at Smith Valley United Methodist Church. Bill Delpha worked for Ford Company; Rosanna was a homemak-

er. Midge was the lone survivor when she sold her home to Greg and Lily Waltz. Lily Waltz shared the story of the "W" tree (Greg died after complications from surgery this year).

If my memory serves me correct, after Midge placed the home for sale, Greg and Lily drove past, turned around and pulled in the driveway to inquire about the home. Greg saw the "W" tree and knew immediately the Waltz's search for their home was over. Lily is very talented in landscape design and happily added new color and life to her new home.

The "W" tree shown in the photo was located in the Southeast corner of the Waltz's backyard, just off the garage. The tree's age made removal necessary so as not to fall on the family's home. If you have a question regarding our community or school please let the *Center Grove ICON* know; I enjoy sharing our local history.



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

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Athlete of the Month Gracie Marsh

By Rick Morwick

Gracie Marsh got her first taste of the IH-SAA State Meet during her freshman season on the Center Grove High School girls swimming team. She competed on a relay.

Now, she has a considerably loftier postseason goal: To return to state in relays and in individual events.

"I try to treat every practice like a race, and it makes it a lot more fun when I am pushing myself all of the time," said Marsh, who specializes in mid-distant events. "I like how it is more of an individual sport and that the clock can't lie."

"All the work you put in shows on the clock, seeing that at the end of the season every year is something I love."

A three-year varsity standout, Marsh began swimming competitively at age 6 – initially through the Carefree Crocodiles Community, and eventually with the Center Grove Aquatic Club. She began swimming year-round in seventh grade and has fully dedicated herself to the sport ever since.

"I really love the competitiveness of it," Marsh said. "I also love the family feel of my team. I would not be able to do what I do without them. They are some of my closest friends and we all try to encourage each other every practice and every meet. Everyone is really close, and that it is one of the things I love the most about swimming here (at Center Grove)."

She has high expectations for herself – and her team – this season.

Her best individual events are the 200- and 500-yard freestyles and the 100 backstroke. She swims the backstroke leg of the Trojans' 200 medley relay and is a key member of the 400-yard freestyle relay, the event she competed in at state as a freshman.

She plans to return to state in that

event this season as well as other races, including individual events and relays.

"I am really hard on myself, so when I don't perform my best, it's easy for me to get down on myself," Marsh said. "I always try my best to be positive, and never complaining is something I always try and stick to during practice."

"Confidence is something I have struggled with a lot in the past, but I have worked on it a lot in the past year and hope to be more confident and positive with myself this season."

An honors student who is active in her church and local community, Marsh is an editor for the school yearbook, volunteers at the Humane Society of Johnson County, participates in a Bible study at Emmanuel Church; and enjoys reading and writing in what little free time she has.

As aspiring college swimmer, she is still sorting options but plans to study forensic nursing.

"I have not made any decisions yet, but I have been talking to a few (college) coaches in and out of Indiana," Marsh said. "I'm not sure where I want to go as of right now, but I am really excited for swimming in college one day."

For the present, her focus is preparing herself and her team for achieving their ultimate objective: reaching the Feb. 9-10 State Meet at the Indiana University Natatorium at IUPUI. Individual sectional champions and sectional relay champions automatically qualify for the finals.

"I think our team has a good chance of getting some events through to state," Marsh said. "We have really tried to keep positive attitudes. It may seem like a little thing, but it can make the biggest difference in training when everybody is lifting each other up and pushing each other."



Gracie Marsh. (Submitted photo)

THE MARSH FILE

NAME: Gracie Marsh	FAVORITE TV SHOW: One Tree Hill
HIGH SCHOOL: Swimming	FAVORITE MOVIE: The Lovely Bones & A Cinderella Story
YEAR: Junior	FAVORITE BOOK: The Lovely Bones
AGE: 17	COLLEGE PLANS: Wants to swim in college but is still sorting options
EXPERIENCE: Three-year varsity	PARENTS: Joe and Angie Marsh
RELAYS: 200 medley and 400 freestyle	
BEST INDIVIDUAL EVENTS: 200- and 500-yard freestyles, 100 backstroke	

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 Center Grove Athlete of the Month, Gracie Marsh, began swimming competitively at age 6.

- ☐ A. AquaDucks
☐ B. Carefree Crocodiles Community
☐ C. Poseidon's Mermaids
☐ D. The River Rats



2 Ernest Donnelly, a WW II veteran, just turned 100. Which sport did he participate in when he was younger?

- ☐ A. Cycleball
☐ B. Golf
☐ C. Roller derby
☐ D. Basketball

3 What was the main course at Greenwood Christian Academy's Annual Dessert Auction & Dinner?

- ☐ A. Chili
☐ B. Filet mignon
☐ C. Meatloaf
☐ D. Salmon

4 Neu Scrapbooking owner, Elizabeth Neu, was pushed while riding in a race in Irvington's Halloween Festival. What did she ride?

- ☐ A. A hearse
☐ B. A motorcycle
☐ C. A canoe
☐ D. A coffin

5 Which pioneer poet and Beech Grove resident in the 1800s partially inspired Beech Bank Brewing?

- ☐ A. Kenneth Rexroth
☐ B. Sarah T. Bolton
☐ C. Madelyn Pugh
☐ D. Gene Stratton-Porter



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Left, Loren Minnix is president and founder of Warrior's Hope, a biblically-based ministry located in Greenwood. | Center, local VFW and American Legion posts support the efforts of Veterans Court. From left, Judge Lewis Gregory, Greenwood VFW Post 5864 Jr. Vice Commander Sherri Jones, American Legion Post 252 Commander Ken Hall and Veterans Court Manager Brandon Pettijohn. | Right, Minnix still has war memorabilia of his time spent in the Vietnam War in his office. (Photos by Nicole Davis)



HE'S ON THEIR SIDE

Judge of Greenwood Veterans Court pays tribute to vets • By Marianne Coil

COVER STORY

Greenwood City Court Judge Lewis Gregory makes one thing clear. If a military veteran on probation in city court flunks a drug test, he or she will spend three or four days in jail.

But the judge who implemented a Veterans Court in Johnson County is dedicated to giving special consideration to veterans who struggle with depression, explosive anger, substance abuse and suicidal ideation.

"These were good, decent people when they went off to war, and they came back damaged," Gregory said. They're not like the town drunk 'hammered' on Saturday night."

The city court has jurisdiction throughout Johnson County over all kinds of misdemeanor cases, such as drug possession, drunken driving, theft, public disturbances and traffic violations.

On the bench for 23 years, Gregory had

observed that soldiers charged with misdemeanors were in "the revolving door of justice" as they kept repeating cycles of arrest. The judge realized treatment programs for addictions and mental health issues should be a sentencing option.

"I saw very quickly that this was needed," he said.

Now in operation for almost seven years, the Veterans Court paid tribute to its clientele this week with a special

event that included the release of a new video about the court.

Trauma while touring

A case that stands out in Gregory's mind is the example of a senior non-commissioned officer (NCO) who'd done six tours in the Middle East. The first five were "fairly routine," but the sixth was horrific.

First, the veteran was riding in an armored vehicle that hit an explosive device. Almost everyone was killed, except him, the judge said. Later, on two occasions, a sniper killed one of the soldier's close friends.

And then one day, troops observed a child with an improvised explosive device (IED) strapped to him. Not more than 6 or 7 years old, the boy started walking toward the soldiers, who begged him to stop. Yet the child drew closer, and the senior NCO had to shoot to kill.

Upon returning home, the veteran wound up being arrested after a domestic dispute with a girlfriend.

"My impression of him was that he knew he had some problems," the judge said, adding that the veteran completed the treatment program and has never returned to city court. Gregory said he sets an informal tone in speaking with

the accused. "It's not the typical dialogue that occurs between a judge and a defendant."

On the same team

The judge tells the veteran that everyone in the courtroom is on the same team, "right up to the point you tell us we're not on the same side."

Back in 2011, the judge discovered during the court's planning phase that, unlike most defendants, the veterans are happy to be there. He noticed while studying a court in Buffalo, NY, that veterans were smiling, not because of indifference to their situation, but out of relief they were getting help.

The joy of helping is what keeps Gregory in his line of work. Although maybe a quarter to one-half of the probationers wash out of the treatment program and finish sentences in jail, the elation everyone feels on a probationer's graduation day makes it all worthwhile.

The judge oversees both the Veterans and Recovery courts, the latter of which handles civilian offenders. He said without exposure to the optimism each court

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thrives on, he probably wouldn't still be on the bench.

"I gotta tell you – You want to see some light. You want to see rehabilitation."

The process of making over a veteran's life begins upon sentencing. The judge suspends the sentence and orders the defendant into probation under a supervised treatment plan. The probation officer, the case manager and an outreach worker from the Veterans Administration all play roles in placing personnel into counseling, peer mentoring and medical treatment, if necessary.

Hope for veterans

For example, an external non-profit, Warrior's Hope, is an official peer mentor for the court, and the probationer brings a form for sign-off to demonstrate that he or she attended the required meeting, according to Loren Minnix, president and founder of Warrior's Hope, a Bible-based non-denominational ministry in Greenwood.

Since the court's inception, the group has assisted some 25 to 30 probationers, Minnix said. "A few continue to attend meetings long after their probations have ended, and some will call to say, 'Just wanted to let you know I'm doing great.'"

The Veterans Court gives its clients "hope that there's something beyond the lifestyle they've been living," he said. Veterans are able to integrate back into society and have a chance to hold down a job.

"Anytime that somebody's life gets straightened out, gets a new direction, it's a benefit to the community," Minnix said.

Treatment through the Veterans Court is not a "get-out-of-jail-free card," Minnix said. Offenders are

punished for breaking the rules of the program. "They pay dearly."

In fact, veterans must see the judge every week during the first three months of treatment, and the probation officer every week for the first three to six months, and then every two weeks thereafter, Gregory said.

His weekly status hearings enable him to adjust a program based on the probation director's recommendations, and to waive certain fees, for example, a driver's license reinstatement fee, which many cannot afford.

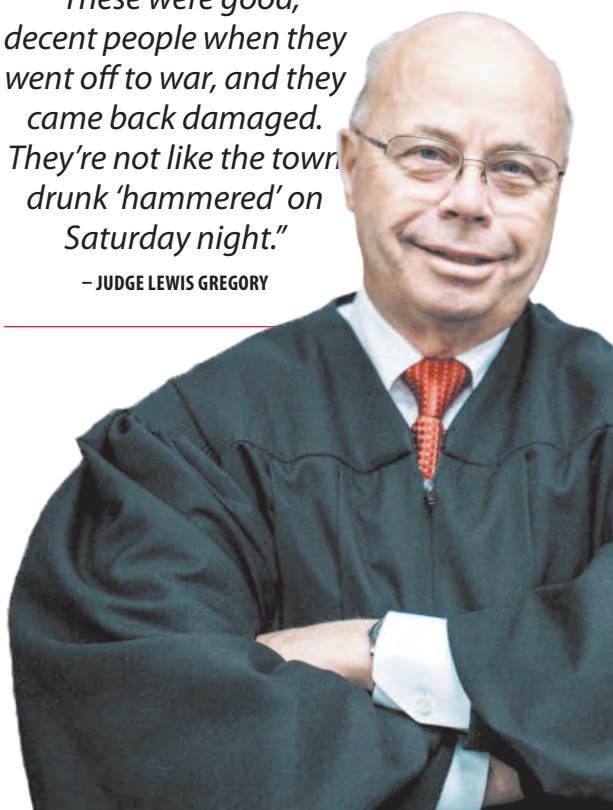
Random drug testing is done twice weekly for the first three months, and veterans are assigned to a color group for purposes of notification. Probationers must call a recorded line by 6 a.m. to hear whether their color group, for example, blue, is expected to report for drug testing that morning by 7:30 a.m.

A positive result means a few days in jail, which count toward fulfillment of the sentence, Gregory said.

When each term of probation is completed, the court holds an informal ceremony that family and friends are invited to, and the veteran's transformation is obvious. When they first appear in court, many are "physically dirty," Gregory said. But on graduation day, "They look like my children."

"These were good, decent people when they went off to war, and they came back damaged. They're not like the town drunk 'hammered' on Saturday night."

– JUDGE LEWIS GREGORY



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Left, Laura Wade, Donnelly's granddaughter, is very close with him and shares the same birthday. | Right, family and friends came together on Nov. 10 to commemorate the occasion. (Photos by Stephanie Dolan)

Partying like it's 1918

By Stephanie Dolan

FEATURE

Life goes by quickly. They say not to blink or you might miss it. A man in Greenwood is now looking back over a century of life and celebrating all that has propelled him to this point.

Ernest Donnelly is a World War II veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard. He will have been married for 70 years on Nov. 22. And, this past Nov. 12, he turned 100.

A resident of the Greenwood Healthcare Center for more than a year, Donnelly's family and friends gathered at the center to help him celebrate this past Saturday.

"He's ornery – always has been," niece Debbie Scheerer said. "He was in the first roller derby here in Indianapolis, and for years he used to go to all the roller derby reunions until a lot of them passed away."

"He loved to dance," Scheerer's sister, Patty Sherrill, said.

"He always did the stroll," Scheerer said. "And he'd lock his knees. He was always a card."

Scheerer went on to say that her uncle was something of a ladies' man.

"He always liked the girls," she said. "They never wanted boys, which was good since they had girls."

The two sisters also started out as tiny chaperones to Donnelly and his then soon-to-be wife.

"Before he and my aunt got married, they used to take Patty and me on all their dates with them," Scheerer said. "We were only 3 and 4 years old. They took us everywhere. He was always our 'unc-y'. He bought us our first roller skates and our first swimming pool."

Not only is he popular within his fam-

ily, Donnelly is well-known and well-liked by everyone at the healthcare center as well.

"He's always out on the unit," Activities Director Todd Bailey said. "He's pretty popular."

The day before, Donnelly had taken part in a center-wide Veteran's Day celebration.

"He was front and center," Bailey said. "He constantly has a smile on his face. He's very opinionated. Yesterday, we asked him if he wanted to come to the veteran's thing, and he was like 'yes, but when it's over I'm ready to go.'"

Bailey said he can't even imagine someone with that many years of life experiences.

"The stories you get from someone with that much life experience is amazing," he said.

"The most important part of today for him is the birthday cake," granddaughter Laura Wade said. "He asked for vanilla, and it's golf themed. He was a very avid golfer when he was younger."

In a room decked out with posters that read, "Let's party like it's 1918," Donnelly prepared to do just that.

"He and I actually share a birthday," Wade said. "I'm going to be 34 on Monday, and he's going to be 100. We've always been birthday buddies."

"I'm a star!" Donnelly said, laughing, when he found out his story was going to be in the paper.

And how does he feel about reaching 100?

"It's another day," he said. "A day when you get up and put your clothes on."

It may be just another day, but Donnelly is feeling great about it.

"I feel damn good," he said.

Defender of the sky

Greenwood veteran 'caught the bug' to join the Air Force

By Nancy Price

FEATURE

As a first-year student at Purdue University, Dale Zook took to ROTC training, but found that college was not meant for him.

"I was ready for something else," he said.

Zook, who grew up with his family on his grandfather's farm in Greene County, found that his interest in the Air Force was hereditary. His father had spent four years in ROTC while attending college at IU Bloomington and was activated in the Air Force when WW II began.

"I caught the bug, I guess," Zook said.

In 1948, Zook enlisted in the military. "The draft was coming up and I didn't want to get drafted but I wanted to enlist and I did. There was no shooting war yet."

After bootcamp was over, he was assigned to training as a propeller mechanic. Initially serving active duty in Spokane Washington, Zook was part of the ground crew that worked on B-29s before shipping out to Yokota, Japan when the Korean War began. After serving four months in Japan, he was rotated back to the States to work on the B-36, the largest mass-produced piston-engine ever built. He still remembers the day he saw them for the first time.

"We got ready for the big day when they brought all the 36s in there," he said. "It was -17 degrees (in Alaska) the day we worked but we didn't lose a single 36. We took care of them and they took back off again. That was really a sight to see the six pusher engines and four jets."

By then, Zook decided that he wanted to attend flight engineer school. After training, he was transferred to Mountain Home AFB, where he flew several training missions as a spare on the B-29s.

"We took off and we had practice bombs and they were full of sand; you could see what you hit," he recalled. "So we get ready to take off and before that, my buddy, he was a flight trainee also and he came down with a sinus problem and couldn't fly. He asked if I would take his mission. There's a saying that you don't take another guy's mission because something could happen and it did."

Right as the plane was taking off, the tail hit a power line. The plane took a nose-dive into the desert sand. "I got pinned by the nosehatch of the B-29 over against the side of the noser but I had a backpack parachute and that saved me from being destroyed," Zook recalled. After the plane went down, he checked the safety of the other passengers. One of the other passengers was fine. He and Zook hoisted a dazed

man with a broken arm onto his feet and out of the plane before checking to see if there was anyone else.

At that point, "the gas tanks started blowing their gasoline and I figured we'd probably better get out," he said. "I was just thankful that we went under the wires instead of over them because that would have really scrambled us up."

Zook returned to duty as staff sergeant after a 30-day leave of absence for his injuries and continued on training missions. He still remembers the day he saw the Douglas C-124 Globemaster, nicknamed named "Old Shaky", the primary heavy-lift transporter for the Military Air Transport Service.

"We were all over the place inside that thing," he recalled.

Yet the biggest thrill he's experienced may have been the day he was stationed in Japan and met an Air Force General. Zook was assigned to guard the general's plane with a 45 pistol.

"It was 1950. I shook his hand and said, 'well, I finally met the top,'" he said with a chuckle.

During Zook's final year he received a



Dale Zook, a Greenwood resident, said he "caught the bug" to join the Air Force from his dad. (Photo by Bridget Lindstrom)

training mission to the French Morocco. "We were over there three months and came back," he said. "My enlistment was up."

In the meantime, Zook, who now lives in Aspen Trace in Greenwood, had been writing to a girl he knew from back home

and felt certain that he could get a job as a prop man and technician with Allison Transmission, which he did. He and his girlfriend Melissa got married and had two kids. "I figured I've had a charmed life," he said.

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OUR VIEW

Adopting an attitude of thankfulness

What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving? Family, friends, a good job, your health, your faith or maybe a recent promotion? Have you ever had a time in your life when you didn't feel as thankful? Maybe you went through a divorce, lost a job, had financial difficulties or were very sick? Did you ever feel as though things couldn't get any worse?

Most of us have had times in our lives when we didn't feel quite as thankful. Especially when we compare ourselves to others. There are always others out there who appear to have it all and it's easy to feel jealous and that maybe you have been cheated out of what you don't have and want.

A good way to get past these feelings is to volunteer for others less fortunate. Spend time around those who may be struggling with serious issues such as mental illness, homelessness, or lack of a support system. Is there someone at a nursing home without family or friends that you could visit? Do you like kids? What about signing up for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana? Are you a handyman? Check out Habitat for Humanity. If you attend church, ask your pastor about any upcoming Missions Trips to experience the reality of living in a third world country.

When you do something to help another person, you'll find that you're not thinking about your own problems. You are focused on someone else, which can alleviate your own depression and inspire you to keep volunteering.

Have a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving!



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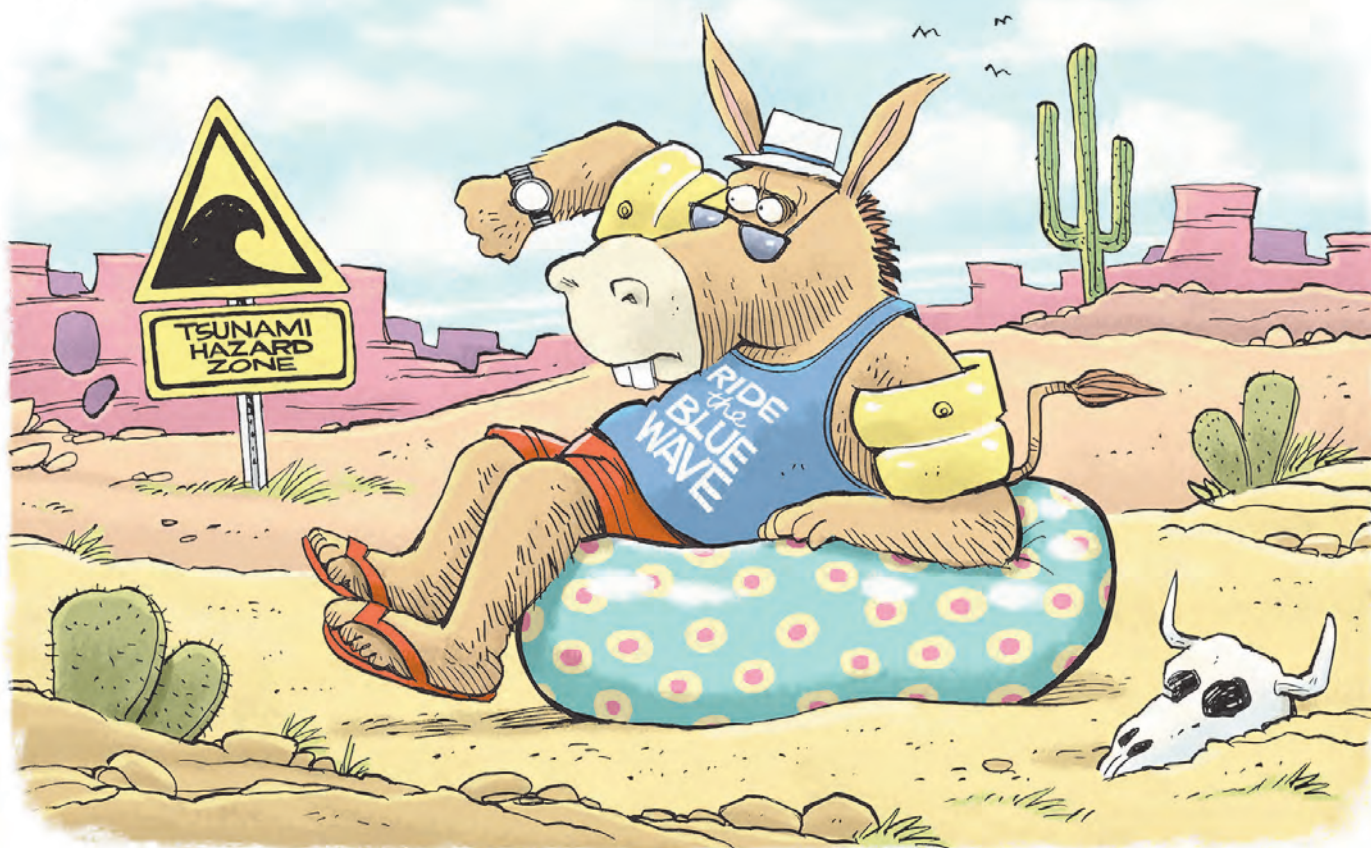
to the Thanksgiving holiday and spending precious time with friends and family. Happy Thanksgiving!



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Thank a greeter today!

HUMOR

By Gus Percy

Whether I am in a good mood or feeling glum, I believe that kindness, real or not, has a great benefit to the overall gestalt of my day.

Often, when I walk into a Walmart, I'm cheerfully greeted by an employee who wishes I have a pleasant shopping experience. Occasionally, the same person will check my goods against the receipt as I'm exiting. I'm not bothered by this. Reducing shoplifting helps the megacorporation keep my prices on hot dogs low.

The job of thanking people is, itself, a thankless job. People incessantly make fun of Walmart greeters. Many believe the position to be the epitome of last-ditch jobs no one wants except the profoundly unemployable.

That's not fair. I admire the greeters. I know, it sounds like sarcasm, but I really do admire them. In addition to plugging in the motorized shopping carts, the greeter must muster up a sincere smile and greet total strangers who likely grumble back.

Greeters set the tone for your shopping trip.

Sure, they sometimes have boundary issues and no one really likes to be talked to in their worst pair of jammies on a late-night trip to get diapers or potato chips. Generally, I think the greetings work on your subconscious, forcing you to buy more than you originally planned.

The greeter in my local Walmart is a jovial man who appears to genuinely welcome me. Whether he is sincere or not, my brain still appreciates his attitude. He does this regardless of what I'm wearing or how serious I look. Whatever his problems are, he seems to check them at the automatic doors and sincerely brightens my day or night.

Perhaps Sears and Kmart would still be in business had they instituted the dedicated greeter philosophy.



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QUOTE

*"No act of kindness,
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— Aesop

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Beech Bank Brewing opened Sept. 12 at 301 Main St. in Beech Grove. (Photo by Stephanie Dolan)

Popping open a cold one Beech Bank Brewing opens in Beech Grove

FEATURE

By Stephanie Dolan

We each go through our daily lives coming into contact with friends and strangers. Often, we recognize when we have affected someone in even some small way. But sometimes we don't. Sometimes we move through our days completely unaware of how we've touched someone else's life.

Pioneer poet, Sarah T. Bolton (1814-1893) – for example – could always hope as a writer that she would continue to affect readers long after she was gone but she could never have guessed that she would be the partial inspiration behind one of the newest businesses in Beech Grove today.

More than 100 years ago, Bolton – a diplomat's wife and early women's rights activist – settled on the land at 1300 Churchman Ave. that is now known as Sarah Bolton Park in Beech Grove. Beech Bank Farm, which was eventually purchased by the city of Beech Grove, was a short walk down the road from where locals can now find Beech Bank Brewing, 301 Main St.

Bolton is best known for her poem, "Paddle Your Own Canoe" and this has been taken on as a motto of sorts by the owners of the brewery. It can clearly be seen etched into the glass of Beech Bank's front window.

Perfect timing

The brewery opened Sept. 12 in the midst of the Beech Grove Fall Festival, drawing in a few more first-timers as a re-

sult of the festivities.

"We got the go-ahead from the city of Beech Grove on a Tuesday and we opened on a Wednesday," co-owner Dave Farris said. "We also really wanted to be open for the festival."

Farris continued on to say that business at the brewery is going very well.

"Already, about 40 to 50 percent of our business is repeat customers," he said. "I was thinking Beech Grove for this from the beginning. I was born and raised here. I always wanted to see this place do well and for me it was always a no-brainer."

This bodes well for a business hoping to become a community staple, both for locals as well as those traveling in from other areas of the city.

The dream that became Beech Bank began with Farris.

"Probably about 20 years ago someone bought me a Mr. Beer kit for Christmas and I made one batch of it," he said. "A few years later, my cousin got me back into brewing and it took off. Liquid malt extract brewing is the training wheels version and that's where we started. From there, we went to all grain brewing and then went to bottling."

Farris soon realized that he was no fan of regularly cleaning 60 beer bottles before re-filling them all over again.

"Then we went to kegging and the next thing you know you have a mini production facility in your house," he said. "Friends kept telling me I should do this professionally and here we are."

Five years in the making

Farris began seriously making plans for the business in 2013.

"Eventually I got to the point where I realized you can read all the books you want but eventually you just have to set up a white board and start making lists," he said.

The former home of *The Southside Times* newspaper, the 3,200-square-foot space is home to an eight-barrel brew house.

"On any given day we could make up to 16 barrels, which is a little over 550 gallons of beer," Farris said. "Right now we're brewing eight barrels at a time."

"Our max volume would probably be brewing 16 barrels three times a week," Wilder said.

The brew house is state of the art, complete with programmable logic control, manned by Wilder.

"This thing is programed in such a way that you just can't screw it up," Farris said.

The brewery has no kitchen but patrons are welcome to carry in their own food. Customers are also welcome to utilize Grub Hub or Uber Eats to have food delivered. In the future, an ordering kiosk as well as food trucks may be made available to patrons.

A friendly partnership

Farris co-owns the brewery with longtime friends John Solmos, Micah Wilder, Dennis

Popping open a cold one continued on page 13.



Top, Dave Farris, Micah Wilder and Pat Brownlee are three of Beech Bank's five owners. (Photo by Stephanie Dolan) | Bottom, Beech Bank Brewing is open from 6 - 10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 3 - 10 p.m. Saturday and noon to 7 p.m. Sunday. (Submitted photo)

Popping open a cold one continued from page 12.

Klutzke and Pat Brownlee. Farris says he is the lynch pin of the group.

"Micah is an excellent controls engineer," Farris said. "Thank goodness for Dennis and Pat because everything you see here has been done by those guys. I'm not a carpenter. I'm the catalyst - the snowflake that started the avalanche."

The five selections available on a daily basis are The Blond, Hefeweizen, IPA, Pale Ale and Sweet Porter.

"My favorite beer is the Porter," Wilder said. "I like the darker malty sweet taste. I home brew beer and I owned a business before this and Dave told me he was starting a

brewery and I thought that sounded pretty interesting and I was in."

"All of our beers have been popular in stages," Farris said. "Everyone's enjoyed the Blonde Ale, the IPA, the Hefeweizen and the Porter. The ones that have consistently sold the best so far have been the Hefeweizen and the Porter."

Farris said that Americans tend to want clear beer.

"It's just what they're used to," he said.

"What kind of beer does Farris himself prefer?"

"Cold," he said, laughing. "I like all kinds of beer."

Beech Bank Brewing is open from 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 3 p.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday and noon to 7 p.m. Sunday. Beer flights are available as well as growlers. For more information, visit their website at beechbankbrewing.com.

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GCA holds Annual Dessert Auction and Dinner

By Janel Berkemeier

Greenwood Christian Academy's SERVE group recently held their Annual Dessert Auction and Chili Dinner. The dinner featured almost 30 different variations of chili, with all of the fixings made by families of the school, giving the 130+ in attendance an ample supper.

During the first hour while everyone enjoyed the food, there was a silent auction of baked goods and sweets made by members of the GCA school families. The pies, brownie creations, layered desserts, pumpkin rolls and caramel apples on auction brought in around \$700.

The live auction, which brought in \$1,800, consisted of donations from local businesses, baskets donated by families and two homemade creations made from GCA parents.

Proceeds and additional donations from the event provide the teachers and staff with lunches and treats throughout the year (including teacher appreciation week) and allows teachers to turn in needs for items that are not in the school's budget to be fulfilled.

SERVE is a combination of the GCA Elementary PTF and Middle/High School PTF organizations unifying to serve all teachers and staff at the school. The name for the organization comes from the Greek word diakoneó, which is present throughout the New Testament and literally means to "kick up dust" and to care for the needs of others as the Lord guides.



1. More than 130 people attended Greenwood Christian Academy's Annual Dessert Auction and Chili Dinner. 2. Team spirit for sale: a Cougar sweatshirt was one of many items during the silent auction. 3. Pacers fans were excited to see two free tickets along with some baked goods thrown in. 4. Creative bakers made a delicious cake disguised as a hamburger. (Photos by Janel Berkemeier)



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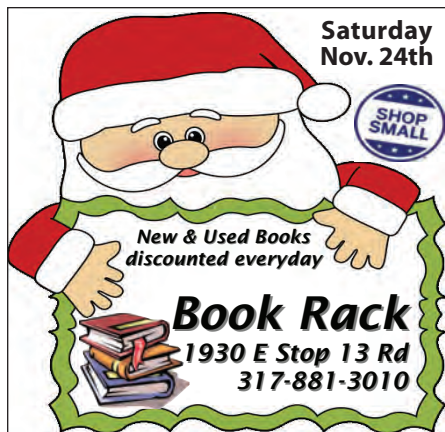
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Daimar Carugati is a chef at Stone Creek restaurant in Greenwood. (Submitted photos)

Perry Township chef talks on coming up through the ranks

By Nancy Price

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Even as a child, Chef Daimar Carugati spent a lot of time being creative in the kitchen.

"I was always interested in cooking as a kid, trying things out," Carugati said. "Some of my grandparents and great-grandparents were chefs. I guess it runs in the blood."

Carugati, who has worked for the past three years at Stone Creek Dining Company on Ind. 135 in Greenwood, began his first job as a busser in a French restaurant in California.

"It was so neat how the chefs prepared things, making little butterflies out of carrots for salads," he said.

Although he worked construction during his 20s, his focus returned to a culinary career in his 30s and he decided to go back to school at the California Culinary Academy in San Francisco. During that time, he approached the staff at a well-known seafood restaurant, Aqua, and asked them for a chance for an externship.

"I had no experience," Carugati recalled. "It took three months of bugging them and they said, 'Maybe we'll call you, maybe we won't.'"

Carugati persevered and was offered a job while attending school at the same time. Between training at school and working at the restaurant, the hours were grueling. Carugati slept just three to four hours each night. Yet he was gaining invaluable experience, from how to multi-task and effectively work in a kitchen to learning to make sauces, prepare and store seafood, and work with oils and spices to complement a dish.

"At school, you don't get a feel for how to

make something beautiful out of a plate of vegetables," he said. "I learned respect, to never give up, and to keep going and going and going. The externship worked out well at the end. The restaurant was a great place to work."

When Aqua closed, Carugati packed his bags to move to Las Vegas and worked at the French restaurant, Alize, before accepting an offer to work as a sous chef with Vox Wine Lounge and Restaurant. Vox gave Carugati his first taste of the responsibilities involved with running a restaurant for the first time.

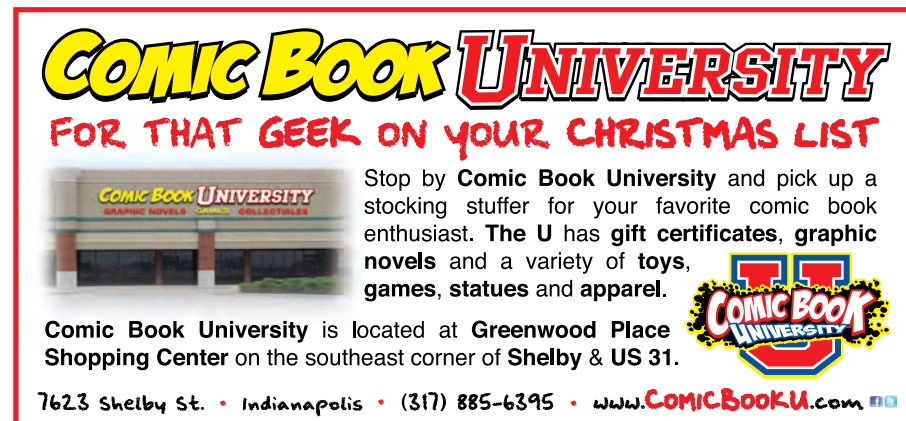
"We had wood-burning pizzas, we made kimchi, worked with Peking ducks, sausages and oyster shells. We had Tapa-style foods, small plates and an open-kitchen concept," he said. "There was a lot of yelling – a bit like the show 'Hell's Kitchen.' It was something I'd never done before."

Carugati said he eventually took a break from working 18-hour days to work with MGM as a purchasing manager before moving with his wife and kids to Indiana. His wife is a native of the area, and the family lives in Perry Township.

While his wife worked as a nurse, Carugati was a stay-at-home dad and experienced culture shock in a smaller, slow-paced, Mid-west environment.

"Here, people sleep at night," he said. "There (in Las Vegas) everything's still going at 4 a.m. with the lights and traffic. I went to the gas station to buy a beer and couldn't because it was Sunday. It took a while to get used to, but I like the Hoosier hospitality. My kids like it here too."

Carugati welcomes visitors to Stone Creek, where filets are often a popular choice. The restaurant opens daily at 4 p.m.



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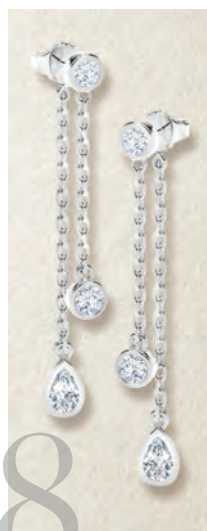
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Good grammar is the life of the holiday party

Commentary by Curtis Honeycutt
Grammar Guy

As soon as someone identifies himself as an expert in grammar, you can almost always safely assume he's going to judge you anytime you end a sentence with a preposition. That's the quickest way to get on the naughty list!

I'm not here to bah-humbag your grammar; I just want to help improve your grammar in order to make your holiday season more holly and jolly.

Good grammar is wonderful because it opens doors—to job interviews, romantic relationships, and even elegant holiday parties where people drink mulled wine and feast on roasted chestnuts. By improving your grammar, your Facebook friends will rightly assume you've started buying one of those brand new Lexuses (Lexi?) with a giant bow on it for your spouse.

When you want to sign your family's collective name on a holiday card, how do you write it? Is it "The Millers" or "The Miller's?"

Everyone likes a good eggnog-infused

party (after all, that's why you're improving your grammar, right?), and apostrophes are like sentence confetti, adding a fun flair to your scintillating syntax. But a misplaced apostrophe is like confetti at a funeral—inappropriate and impossible to undo.

To make your last name plural, never add an apostrophe. Just don't do it. The Millers went to the ice skating rink is correct. Adding an apostrophe to your last name makes it possessive: Did you see The Millers' cool new inflatable Santa?

If your last name ends with s, z, x, ch or sh, simply add es to make it plural: Season's greetings from The Foxes. If your last name ends in any other letter (including y), simply add an s: The Honeycutts are incredibly photogenic.

So, if you're considering adding your family's name on the back of your sleigh, write The Millers. Adding an apostrophe will simply get you uninvited from those swanky holiday parties, leaving you sadly to drink your mulled wine alone while you wistfully stalk everyone else's happy Christmas sweater-filled photos on Facebook.

A guide to pairing wine with holiday meals

Commentary by Elizabeth Morse
WINEderlust

Have you started planning meals for holiday celebrations and are confused about what wine to serve? Fear no more! Check out my guide for tips:

• **Turkey** is the star of the show, even when there are so many flavors and spices on a Thanksgiving table. You can't go wrong with a rosé. Don't worry, just because it's pink doesn't equate to sweet wine. Try this beauty with a crisp, berry finish: **Les Trois Couronnes Côtes-du-Rhône Rosé**, about \$12 at Market District. Another delicious choice is **Clean Slate Riesling**. It's easy to find, only \$10 and is a spicy, earthy, German wine from the famed Mosel region (my fave).

• **Latkes** are a must when celebrating **Hannukkah**. These potato pancakes are a perfect match with Italian Prosecco. An easy-to-find, delicious option comes from **Mionetto, Prosecco di Treviso Brut Gold Label**. The golden apple flavors comple-

ment the applesauce generally served with these little yummys. A bottle is around \$13.

• **Fish patties** are included in most **Kwanzaa** festivities and a crisp, New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc would be best. I'm digging **Jules Taylor Sauvignon Blanc** from Costco, and it's only \$12. Huge citrus flavors and enough acid to cut through the fried cakes.

• **Ham** is great with a fresh, fruity red and **Mommessin Beaujolais Nouveau** is a tasty and cost-effective option at \$10. You're having **prime rib** for Christmas dinner? **Black Stallion Cabernet Sauvignon** is \$30, easy to find, and offers dark fruit, toasted oak with great depth of flavor. **Duck** instead? **Baron Philippe De Rothschild, Baron Phillipe Sauternes** is the way to go. It's \$38 for fantastic citrus and honey flavors and is especially perfect if you are preparing duck à l'orange.

• You're going vegetarian with **tofurkey**? Try a **cabernet franc**. With fresh cranberry flavors, **Happy Canyon Vineyard 2017 Chukker** at \$26 wins.



The Bourbon Women Association hosts events monthly in the Indianapolis area. (Submitted photo)

Join in the holiday 'spirit' with a taste of bourbon

By Nancy Price

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Women looking to add to their holiday spirit may want to check out an upcoming bourbon tasting.

The Bourbon Women Association is hosting its annual Holiday Sip & Shop 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 2 at Payless Liquors, 1266 Madison Ave., Greenwood.

Holiday Sip & Shop gives women a chance to participate in tastings, meet other bourbon aficionados, purchase exclusive bourbon selections, and receive discounts from participating shops.

The Bourbon Women Association began in 2011 in Kentucky (where else?) with an inaugural event at the Kentucky Governor's Mansion. Peggy Noe Stevens, the first master bourbon taster in the world, created the organization. Stevens trained with Lincoln Henderson, the master distiller for Brown-Forman, who developed brands including Woodford Reserve and Gentleman Jack. Stevens, along with two other women, led the creation of the Kentucky Bourbon Trail, which attracts more

than 1 million visitors each year.

"During her career, Peggy saw a need to show consumers how to pair bourbon with food, so she created the first food flavor wheel to provide a guide," said Wendy Foster, ambassador for the Indianapolis branch of the Bourbon Women Association. "She believes bourbon cocktails can enhance the dining experience, so she authored the Woodford Reserve Culinary Cocktail Tour cookbook, the first of its kind, pairing cocktails and food. Peggy recognized the need for women to have a voice, both within the industry and as aficionados. The Bourbon Women Association provides opportunities for both industry professionals and bourbon fans to connect and increase their knowledge."

The Indianapolis chapter of the Bourbon Women Association began in 2015 and typically hosts an event about once a month. The annual fee is \$50. Reach Foster at bourbonwomenindy@bourbonwomen.org.

For more information about the event, the local branch, or how to join the association, visit bourbonwomen.org/Indy_Branch.

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Holiday Gifts 2018

Editor's note: So far in this special holiday section of Center Grove ICON, you may have noticed a common theme – food. This year, we decided to focus on food, drinks and dining in both our coverage and suggestions for gift ideas. In this gift guide, you'll find holiday gift ideas that follow this theme, all from local shops in our coverage area.

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JILL DONOHO - I have suffered from migraines since I was 13 (now 52). I've tried countless meds to prevent and treat them with minimal success. From amitriptyline, verapamil, topamax, maxalt, relox, zomig, Botox, imitrex pills & injections, promethazine and I'm sure others not listed. This morning I woke up with a migraine that neither my pills or injection would touch. This usually lands me in immediate care or the ER. Before taking that route, my daughter and I stopped in the store to see what they might recommend for migraines. I figured it was worth a try. They put a few drops of oil under my tongue ... I really had no idea what to expect. In a couple minutes I asked how long it took to work. They said why how are you feeling and I said, it's unreal to me but the stabbing pressure is gone. GONE!!! And within approx 20 minutes all hints of migraine and nausea were gone. Multiple meds didn't touch the migraine but this CBD oil did? I started crying, my daughter started crying, the owners hugged me. Sounds a little crazy? Yea, I know and had it not happened to me I may think it was a bunch of nonsense. I'm telling you- go see them! I will be forever grateful for making the decision to stop by the store. This was the first try with the CBD oil but I'm super excited to have a natural option - and one that works better than prescription meds!!!

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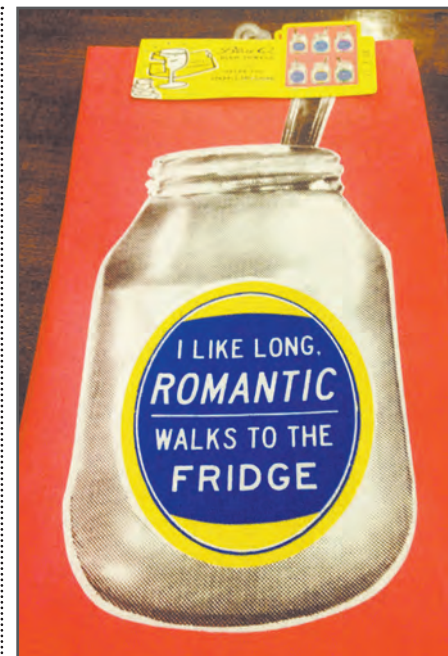
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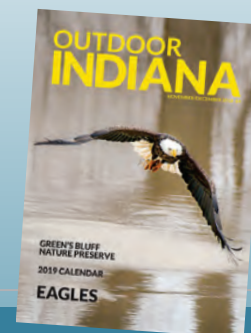
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Bender joins Methodist Sports Medicine

Medical - Methodist Sports Medicine (MSM) has hired Dr. Michael Bender. Dr. Bender joins MSM as a fellowship-trained shoulder and elbow specialist. He is the newest addition to MSM's team of orthopedic specialists. Dr. Bender will treat all forms of shoulder and elbow disorders, including minimally invasive surgery and joint replacements. Dr. Bender received his Doctor of Medicine from Indiana University's School of Medicine in 2012 and completed his orthopedic surgery residency in 2017 through the Grand Rapids Medical Education Partners/Michigan State University. He most recently completed a shoulder and elbow reconstruction fellowship in Houston. Dr. Bender will accept shoulder and elbow patients at the Greenwood clinic on Mondays. For more information on MSM and Dr. Bender, please visit methodistsports.com/locations/greenwood.



Roncalli celebrates National Merit Semifinalist

Academics - The National Scholarship Corporation has announced that Daniel Woodruff is the first from Roncalli High School's class of 2019 to earn the distinction of National Merit Semifinalist (top 1 percent in the nation) based on his PSAT scores from his junior year. Woodruff now has the opportunity to compete to become a finalist. Information from a detailed scholarship application regarding his academic record, participation in school and community activities, leadership abilities, employment and honors and awards received will be taken into consideration. As a Semifinalist, he must also be endorsed by a high school official, write an essay and earn SAT scores that confirm his earlier performance on the qualifying test.



Villages of Indiana to host foster parent information sessions

Family - In Indiana, there are twice as many children who need a home in the foster care system than homes available. With 26,000 children currently in the foster system, the need for families is greater than ever. The Villages of Indiana hosts free foster parent information sessions in Indianapolis. If you've ever thought of becoming a foster parent, join a session to learn more. Sessions will be held at the Villages of Indiana, 3833 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Nov. 27. Call (317) 775-6500 for more information or to register.

Puno joins Franciscan office on County Line Road

Medical - Aileen D. Puno, MD, has joined Franciscan Physician Network County Line Pediatrics at 747 E. County Line Road, Ste. G in Greenwood. Dr. Puno received an undergraduate degree in biology from the University of the Philippines and earned her medical degree from the University of Santo Tomas Faculty of Medicine and Surgery in Manila. She completed a pediatrics residency at Helen DeVos Children's Hospital at Michigan State University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She was on the medical staff at WindRose Health Network in Indianapolis and Franciscan Health Michigan City. Dr. Puno is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics and is also a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics.



Former Disney executive to hold seminar

Business education - Lee Cockerell, Former Executive Vice President of Walt Disney World Resort, will be speaking at JW Marriott from 8:30 a.m. - noon, Nov. 20, for a half day leadership management & customer service seminar, called "Creating Magic". Anyone interested in learning business and life practices that make Disney successful is invited to attend. To register or for more information, go to Creatingmagicproductions.com.

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5 National Parks

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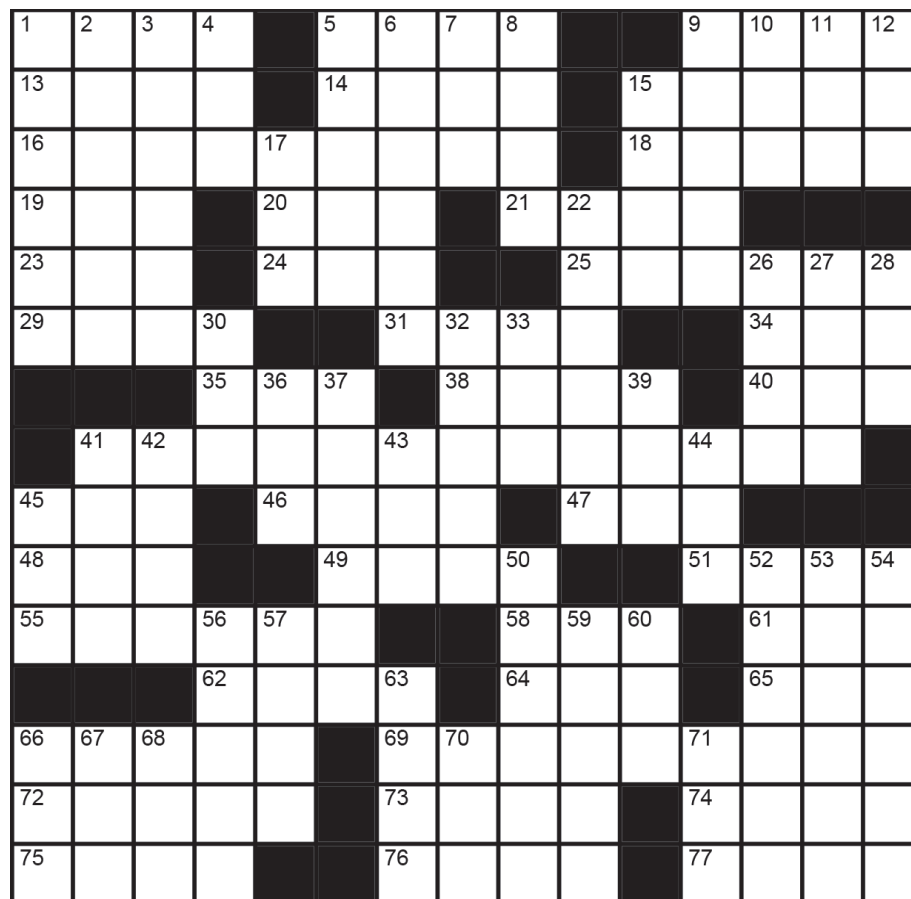
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ACROSS

1. ____ John's Pizza
5. Performed with the Mount Pleasant Christian Church choir
9. With 75-Across, numeric designation of Center Grove indicated by the first word of 16-, 41- and 69-Across
13. Perched on
14. Tell it to a Johnson County judge
15. Angela Buchman winter forecast, maybe
16. Half an inning at Victory Field
18. Whiteland Orchard fruit
19. As well
20. Pitcher's pride
21. Part of CGHS
23. Ostrich cousin
24. Big ____ Conference
25. Frisk
29. Take five
31. Bushy 'do
34. Load from a lode
35. Derisive laugh
38. Local yokel
40. "Star-Spangled Banner" preposition
41. CBS comedy set in Indy (1975-84)
45. African antelope
46. Black cat, to some
47. Butler sorority letter
48. Be in the cast for the Fine Arts Academy
49. Michigan or Monroe, e.g.
51. Sugar Grove Elementary School test choice: ____ of the above
55. Next to
58. Hallucinogen
61. Participated in the Mini Marathon
62. Bit of dust
64. IND posting
65. Redbox rental
66. Old Jewish scholars
69. Kraft salad dressing
72. Baton ____, La.
73. Get ready
74. Pearl Harbor locale
75. See 9-Across
76. Longings
77. Alka-Seltzer sound

DOWN

1. Pitter's partner
2. Not out
3. Able to absorb fluids
4. Indy Zoo swinger
5. Future fungus
6. Female graduate of Franklin College
7. Southside Tennis court divider
8. Deep cut



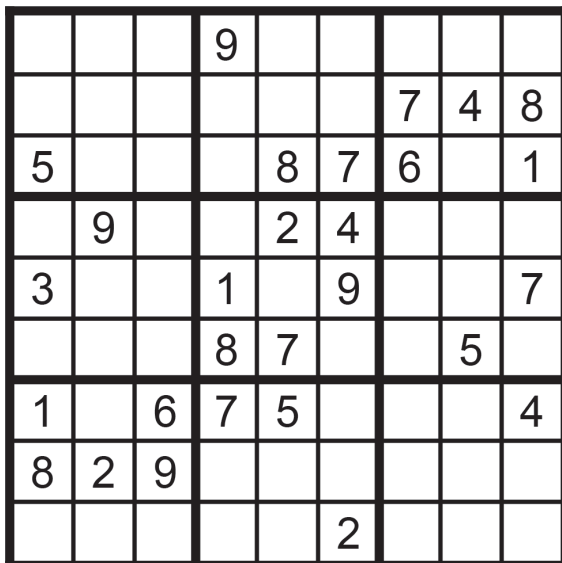
9. Top dog in the IMPD canine unit
10. Trey Hollingsworth title, for short
11. Green Ginger sushi fish
12. Had a wrap at Tried & True
15. Stuffing herb
17. Have a pretzel at MashCraft Brewing
22. Kevin Gregory weather line
26. Red Roof Inn offering
27. Eiteljorg Museum tribe
28. That girl
30. First word, often
32. Colts Coach Reich

33. Same old, same old
36. Hubbub
37. IRT Shakespeare production
39. Biblical verb ending
41. Fairy tale start
42. Cashews and pecans
43. City Council roll-call vote
44. Charged atom
45. Run up the Verizon bill
50. Jeff George's Colts uniform number
52. Trying experience
53. See 27-Down (Var.)

54. Finishes
56. Indiana General Assembly candidate's concern
57. IU Health potion portion
59. Stairs
60. Ex-Indiana U.S. Senator Quayle
63. Catch a glimpse of
66. Circle segment
67. Memorial Stadium sound of displeasure
68. Rose-to-be
70. Before, to James Whitcomb Riley
71. Soak (up)

See **Answers** on page 27.

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I can't think of any. (Her store manager, Russell Black, interjects, "She is truly one of the most upbeat people ... she lets negative comments slide by.")

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE PEOPLE STARTING THEIR OWN BUSINESS?

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WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF FIVE YEARS FROM NOW?

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Elizabeth Neu, owner of Neu Scrapbooking, rode in a coffin in the Historic Irvington Halloween Festival last Saturday. (Photo by Marianne Coil)

Neu Scrapbooking thrives on beating the odds

Owner is devoted to creating a 'happy place'

By Marianne Coil

As a loudspeaker pumped music from the film, *Wild Wild West*, the race announcer gave the countdown, and then a siren blared. Grabbing handles on the four corners of a decorated coffin, the team from Neu Scrapbooking began pushing the coffin and its passenger down a 100-yard stretch of the Pennsy Trail in Irvington.

Riding along – Elizabeth "Libby" Neu, the owner of Neu Scrapbooking on the Southside at the corner of Carson Avenue and East Thompson Road.

Although her team didn't record the fastest time among contestants, she relished every aspect of the event sponsored by Indy Grimo, a stylishly macabre limo service, at the Historic Irvington Halloween Festival last Saturday. She and her family also ran the coffin in the costume parade and threw candy to bystanders.

Promotional appearances were the store's priority last weekend. Also on Saturday, Neu's part-time manager, Russell Black, set up a mobile store at a charity event in Johnson County. The benefit, Croppin' 4 A Cause, raised money for Every Dog Counts Rescue. The volunteer service in Zionsville rescues dogs from death row in high-kill shelters throughout the Midwest.

Croppin' or cropping is the slang term for the activity known as scrapbooking, Black said. Tickets were sold to "croppers" who brought their own supplies, and Black was present with extra inventory and goodwill. Black said 150 patrons gathered to work on crafts, to enter raffles for vendor-sponsored gift baskets and to enjoy the food.

The event last weekend raised at least \$10,850 and garnered donations of supplies that filled eight SUVs, according to the Facebook page of Croppin' 4 A Cause.

Unlikely success

With so much energy devoted to scrapbooking, an observer could assume retailers would have an abundance of customers. But big-box stores and the Internet have changed all that, Neu said, reporting that at an annual trade convention, she was told the number of independent scrapbooking stores had dwindled from 2,000 across the nation to fewer than 300.

In fact, she opened her store after the one she'd worked for went out of business. She met Black when they worked at an old Archivers shop in Southport. Under a non-compete agreement, she went to the operators to explain her interest in running her own establishment.

Warning Neu about her prospects, the managers gave their blessing. She readied her first shop on South Emerson Avenue to open just after Archivers shut down.

Family first

Neu's emergence as a retailer is one more strand of a life story of perseverance and dedication to the people she loves. A young mother after high school, she encountered a major challenge when her first-born, Chrissy, developed heart failure as an infant. The condition robbed her of oxygen and caused developmental disabilities.

Nonetheless, Neu sent Chrissy in a wheelchair to school, and she eventually earned a certificate of attendance from Franklin Central High School. Neu said her daughter's math and verbal skills are similar to those of a first-grader, but that she is proficient with a computer pad.

Now age 35, Chrissy sleeps using a ventilator, and by day, she needs a registered

nurse to assist several days weekly with managing the use of a tracheotomy tube and other procedures.

After a first marriage that yielded another daughter, Lisa, Neu was divorced. She went to work at a furniture store and met wholesale distributor Thomas Neu. They began to date, and now married for 27 years, they have a daughter, Jessica, who teaches grade school in Speedway.

Middle daughter Lisa and her husband have three children, Neu said, adding the grandchildren are involved in sports activities.

When Neu was in her late forties, she trained to become an EMT and worked at the old St. Francis in Beech Grove in the emergency room. When the EMTs were transferred from Beech Grove to the new facility on Stop 11 Road, their activities were scaled back, and the job was no longer fun, Neu said. She didn't want to work on an ambulance, so she didn't stay in the field.

Her involvement with crafts began when she stopped by Archivers out of curiosity, and she spoke with customers who were working on projects in the back room.

A happy place

Joining the group, she developed a passion for both scrapbooking and its clientele. The manager noticed Neu's affinity for the place, and she was given a job. These steps put her on the path to ownership, and she opened her store on March 15, 2014, in a strip mall on South Emerson Avenue.

On Jan. 1 of this year, she moved to 3158 E. Thompson Road. The store is open each

Neu Scrapbooking continued on page 19.

BIZ WEB

Scooter Scooters Everywhere!

By Andrew Angle

My wife hates those electric scooters you now see scattered all over downtown. I haven't told her that I finally rode one. She commented that the riders weave in and out of traffic, zip down sidewalks and then litter the walkways.

They are noticeable. Since they just arrived a few months ago, we are still used to the downtown area being a scooter-free. Early 20th century folks probably felt the same about horseless carriages. Despite avoiding the urge to try one, on a recent trip to Nashville for a recumbent bike/trike conference (Cycle-Con) I decided to do that trip the way that a cyclist should, by not driving. I took a bus. Upon arrival I was just going to use rental bikes. My hotel and the conference at the fairgrounds were six miles apart.

I switched between Uber, a rental bike, and (confession time) the scooters. The scooters were best – super convenient, fast and were the most fun. The bikes can only be parked at the rental bike stations or else you're paying \$1.50 per half hour. For an all-day conference with no rental bike stations nearby, that won't work. Plus, unlike my fancy bikes at home, the rentals felt like Pee-Wee Herman specials.

The electric scooters are \$1 to start, plus

15 cents per minute. They were sitting beside the hotel entrance. Six miles later at the fairgrounds building I parked it respectfully away from the building's entrance. Total fare was around \$3 and someone else was on it within minutes.

As a scooter convert I can see that the problem downtown isn't the scooters, it's the cars. Within the next few months the city authorized something like 12,000 e-scooters within the 465 loop. How many cars will that keep off of the streets?

The economic impact will be felt at the gas pump, car dealerships and parking businesses. The upside is that more people will be more willing to shop, live and work downtown. The people using them will have more money for other things. For me, all it took was a trip far enough away that nobody would recognize that it was me geeking around on a kid's toy. The next time you're downtown, bring out your "inner child" by trying a scooter.



Andrew Angle, of Greenwood, is the owner of NetGain Associates, Inc. He can be reached at (317) 534-2382.



Left, classes are offered for those wanting to make cards, design with mixed media, Bible journaling and more. | Center, Neu and her part-time manager, Russell Black, work at the store's location on E. Thompson Road. | Right, customers can find everything they need for scrapbooking at the store. (Photos by Marianne Coil)

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day with the exception of Monday.

Offering instruction in crafting, the store presents classes in making cards, designing with mixed media, and Bible journaling, among other things. Neu said a recent task involved teaching someone to apply decorative gold leaf to a Bible journal.

"It was very, very, very cool," Neu said.

The camaraderie of the customers and the quality of service will keep Neu in the game as long as she breaks even, she says.

Calling the store her "happy place," Neu said she recognizes that customers often come in to relieve tension. "They tell us their stories."

"We feel like bartenders. That's what it's all about for us," she said.



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Upcoming chamber meetings and events

20 - Creating Magic - Lee Cockerell's Lessons in Leadership Management & Customer Service. CDM Productions welcomes Disney's Lee Cockerell, who will be delivering his World-Class "Lessons in Leadership Management & Customer Service" seminar. Cockerell is the former executive vice president of operations at Walt Disney World Resort. Seminar tickets are \$249; live stream is \$99. Sponsorships available by emailing sponsors@creatingmagic.productions. Group discounts are available at creatingmagic.productions/group-discount. Nov. 20, 8:30 a.m. - noon. Breakfast and registration start at 7:30 a.m. JW Marriott Downtown, 10 S. West St., Indianapolis. greenwoodchamber.com.

27 - Leadership Johnson County: Building the Gender Gap. This workshop is designed to help both men and women understand these dynamics and leverage the knowledge and tools presented to favorably move the needle on equality for women in the workplace. Nov. 27, 9 a.m. - noon, Franklin College Dietz Center, 101 Branigan Blvd., Franklin. Info: greenwoodchamber.com.

27 - Greenhouse Program: Do I have intellectual property? Join the Greenhouse Entrepreneur and Innovation Community for a guided discussion about trademarks, copyrights, patents and trade secrets with Barnes and Thornburg attorney Travis Stegemoller. Nov. 27, 4 - 6 p.m., Mashcraft Brewing, 1140 N. State Road 135, Suite M, Greenwood. Info: greenwoodchamber.com.

December

4 - Leadership Johnson County: Key Elements of Collaboration. Collaboration, always the core of the Leadership Johnson County curriculum, deserves a review. Join Bonnie Pribush for a refresher course in the skills and beliefs that may be more relevant now than ever before. Dec. 4, 9 a.m. - noon, Franklin College Dietz Center, 101 Branigan Blvd., Franklin. greenwoodchamber.com.

6 - 2018 Chamber Holiday Celebration. The Chamber Board of Directors, Ambassadors, Chamber Partners and staff invite you to join us to celebrate the closing of the year with plenty of holiday cheer! Cash bar and heavy hors d'oeuvres (free!) provided! This will be a 21 and over event. Advance registration closes on Dec. 5 at 5 p.m. Otherwise, please register at the door.

By Mike Heffner

This past week I had the chance to listen to the former President of Adidas North America, Mark King, speak at the local Express Employment Refresh Leadership simulcast event. Up until the time of the event, I had never heard of Mark but I walked away from the event with a new appreciation for a few of the things he shared during his talk, titled Lessons in Leadership: Competing with Creativity.

As Mark spoke and I tried to keep up with notes, I realized he understood what is on the mind of every business leader today. How do I compete against the big companies like Amazon, Apple and Google in this ever-changing world? Mark made it clear: as business leaders we must unleash our team's creativity. He said our ability to succeed will be determined by our ability to innovate.

Mark shared three main areas that business leaders need to focus on that lead toward innovation:

- Big dreams - our teams need to be inspired and allowed to have creativity.
- Vision - our teams must be able to look into the future and see where they can go. As leaders, we have to create an environment that allows them to think differently about the future.
- Energy - we need to create energy for what we are doing and where we are going. Energy is needed to take initiative with confidence and passion. It takes energy to respond to change.

In today's talent shortage, we are asking more from our teams. In many cases, they lack the training, experience or background and are being asked to be successful in a market that is changing rapidly. No longer can we just hire smart, diligent and loyal workers that just do what they are told. We need employees who are passionate, creative and take initiative. They must be allowed to move quick, make decisions and carve out their paths. We must lead in such a way that allows our teams to be en-

gaged and give their best every day. The only way businesses will survive is if the team owns the future and wants to make the company better.

We need to be able to do this across all generations. Many find this next generation frustrating, King shared. They just want a voice. But whether we like it or not, they are going to be our future leaders. Our job is to find a way to help create an environment with each generation involved that challenges them and ignites them to be an influence. I left the talk inspired to lead better and to find ways to ignite the passion our team needs to innovate and win in the marketplace today.



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

PEER TO PEER

'I am I said'

By Howard Hubler

Years ago, Neil Diamond wrote a song called "I Am I Said". It was a song whereby he was stating his inner power based on his past and his life experiences. He lived a bicoastal life but the fact that he said, "I am" meant that he still knew who he was. Today, it's written in many places that millennials don't necessarily know who they are. They grew up in their parents' basement, as the story goes, and they live on texting. They're highly conforming to one another's thoughts and values and they are very poor in verbally expressing emotion and communication of any type. It puts the power of persuasion in jeopardy to somebody selling for a living.

My daughter Christi of Christi Hubler Chevrolet in Crawfordsville took her manager Markiss and a salesperson named Tony to a weekend selling rally in Orlando. On the surface, it was about selling more cars "online". But when you drilled down, the real issue was that many people we hire to

sell cars today have to first emotionally like themselves before they like the customer. I presume the people that put the seminars on discovered that so many people did not have the self-confidence to go back and input the knowledge that they had been given. By comparison, these "graduates" used Facebook to share their new personal growth story in video format. This is to suggest on video why they were the right sales person, based on their new deep concern for their self, their world and their customers' needs and concerns, for you, the Facebook viewer, to want to purchase a car from them specifically.

Well, I'll be darn, after more than 30 years of training, I never thought about going into the psyche of those being trained to see if they had the mental receptors to input what I was teaching. Foolish me. When they came back from Orlando, I saw Christi and her sales manager put on an amazing sales meeting that looked much like a cheering session. It was based on kind of an "I am me" theme. When they were done, they went around the table and confessed how they had felt

about themselves after this meeting; did they feel a sense of empowerment that they could better serve the customer? Amidst tears and tissues, they all said that this was it a growth process and that if Christi and Markiss, her manager, would continue their training in this fashion, many felt they would have great personal growth. They needed this. To get a snapshot of what I'm talking about, look up Christi Hubler Chevrolet on Facebook and see for yourself. Hopefully additional car sales will follow based on the heightened sensitivity of Christi's staff.

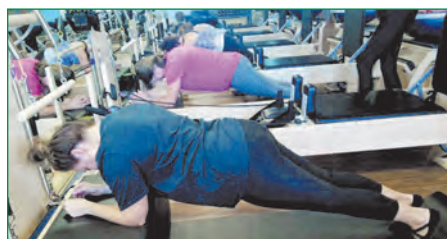
My articles are supposed to end with a teachable moment. If you're not satisfied where your sales staff or your production staff is in your business, hire a vocational psychologist and tune up everybody's mental psyche. A guy I once voted for said, "What do you have to lose?" howard@hubler.com.



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OPEN 4 BUSINESS



Left top, there are nine signature class formats and four levels of classes at Club Pilates Greenwood. | Left bottom, a variety of specialized equipment includes the Reformer, EXO-Chair, Bosu Ball, TRX Suspension Trainer, springboards and more. | Right, pilates can help those suffering from injuries. Co-owner Jamie Williams describes Pilates as "challenging but fun." | Below, owners Todd and Jamie Williams opened Club Pilates Greenwood after they were inspired from their own success of the results they achieved. (Submitted photos)

Greenwood Club Pilates: 'Challenging but enjoyable'

**A married couple opens studio designed to improve strength and coordination
while reducing pain from injuries**

By Nancy Price

Jamie Williams had been running in marathons for years. Although she enjoyed the activity, health problems soon followed as a result of the physical demands.

"While training for a full marathon I started having pain in my left hip," she said.

In addition, she was working long shifts as a nurse, which requires a lot of physical exertion from standing, walking and lifting. Many nurses spend up to 12 hours working during their shift.

"Many nurses end up with back or shoulder issues from years of lifting and pulling," Williams said.

Williams had tried Pilates years before and decided to give it another try.

"I immediately fell in love with it and felt a big difference not only in my hip but it just made me feel stronger," she said. Within the first 10 classes, I felt stronger, taller and happier. There is definitely a mind/body benefit that gave me a more positive outlook on life."

The former critical care/open heart recovery nurse had spent 20 years in the health care industry. Her husband, Todd, was a physical therapist. After a knee injury, Todd also turned to Pilates. Before long, they decided to open their own business, Club Pilates Greenwood.

The term Pilates is named after Joseph Pilates, who developed the exercise system

while he was a prisoner in an internment camp in Germany in the early 1900s.

"Many prisoners were bed-ridden and Joseph Pilates used the springs on the beds to develop an apparatus that allowed the prisoners to exercise against resistance from their hospital beds," Williams said.

Pilates is focused on six core principles: breathing, centering, concentration, control, flow and precision.

"All of these principles are enforced during exercise moves that work the entire body," Williams said. "The result is increased strength, balance, improved posture and improved mind/body connection."

The process may sound like a lot of work – but not as much of a chore as it seems, according to Williams.

"What really surprised me about it was that I didn't dread going to my classes like I have other forms of exercise in the past. "It is challenging but enjoyable."

Pilates offers classes using a variety of specialized equipment, including the Reformer, EXO-Chair, Bosu Ball, TRX Suspension Trainer, springboards and more. There are nine signature class formats and four levels of classes.

The first level, called Foundation, focuses on form and alignment and is designed for beginners and modified for those with physi-

cal limitations. The next level, called Progression, focuses on precise and dynamic exercises that give students more of a challenging workout. The third level, Evolution, is fast-paced class designed for more advanced exercises with increased repetition, complex coordination, balance and resistance. Experience at the Progression level is required before taking Evolution. Finally, the Mastery level is the most advanced class and ideal after mastering form and alignment. The class is not recommended for those with physical limitations.

In addition, guests are welcome to the Pilates massage that uses foam rolling and myofascial release; the massage is designed to repair muscles and joints while reducing cellulite and muscle soreness, increasing performance and reducing the risk of injury.

Teens are also welcome at Club Pilates. A class named CP Teen aims to build healthy habits in young participants, while helping to build self-esteem, strong muscles and coordination in a changing and growing body.

Club Pilates also offers a free, 30-minute, full-body session introductory class. The class gives first-time attendees an opportunity to learn more about the fitness club, staff and equipment.

For more information, go to clubpilates.com/location/greenwood or email greenwood@clubpilates.com.

Why did you decide to open this business?

I am passionate about Pilates and the benefits for all ages and levels of fitness. With my husband and my own health care background, I think the rehabilitative nature of Pilates really drew us to it. I am a certified Club Pilates instructor and while I was in my training, I had to complete practice training sessions. Of course, my husband became my student. He had a knee injury and after doing Pilates he had better range of motion and strength in that knee. I have seen this time and again – people who think they are limited find that after doing Pilates, they see improvement.

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

I have a master's degree in nursing administration and was in a leadership position in health care for 15 years. I think this helped prepare me for the business side. My husband has opened several fitness centers in the health care industry so he had experience from that standpoint. In addition, the franchise provides a lot of support as well.

Who is your ideal customer?

Everyone benefits from Pilates. Whether old or young, fit or just getting back into exercise, there is a place here for everyone. Our instructors have over 500 hours of education and have the ability to make modifications or offer progressions to each client whether in a group or private setting.

How do you plan to be successful?

Our theory is to treat every one of our customers as family. We seek to help them reach their goals and find an hour in their day that is just for them. We also plan to do a lot of community outreach to educate the community on the benefits of Pilates.

What would people be surprised about your business?

Historically, Pilates was for the elite or wealthy. We provide Pilates in an affordable and welcoming environment.

How would you explain your atmosphere?

Family-oriented and friendly.



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Financial Center's Director of Financial Literacy, James Davidson, talks with Fox 59's Heather McWilliams about the plans for the Greenwood Education Center during a recent interview on teaching kids good money management habits.

First Credit opens Greenwood Education Center

Business education - Financial Center First Credit Union recently celebrated the grand opening of its Education Center at its Greenwood branch at the corner of Main Street and South Emerson Avenue. The space contains a community education and training room that seats 20-30, a financial library, online financial literacy computer stations and a coffee bar. It was designed to welcome Financial Center's members and the Greenwood community to come and learn. To view available seminars, visit fcfcu.com/financial-education. Additionally, the Center is available during the Credit Union's normal business hours for community groups to use. Requests for reservations are taken in the branch or through email at Greenwood-CommunityRoom@fcfcu.com. The opening of the Education Center is the \$560 million credit union's next step in providing a well-rounded financial literacy program.

RE/MAX Results agents earn Hall of Fame Award

Awards - David Neu and Edwina Withers of RE/MAX Results in Greenwood have recently been presented with the RE/MAX Hall of Fame Award, which honors successful agents who have completed more than \$35 million in closed sales volume during their careers with the company. David Neu has been working in the real estate industry for more than 16 years and is the Managing Broker for the RE/MAX Results Greenwood office. In addition to the Hall of Fame, he has earned the RE/MAX 100% Club and Executive Club awards. He is a mentor for the Brian Buffini's Peak Producers program. Edwina Withers has over eight years of experience in selling real estate and specializes in residential and commercial properties. She has previously earned the RE/MAX 100% Club award. David Neu can be contacted at (317) 333-6683 or via email at davidneu@remax.net. Edwina Withers can be reached at (317) 441-8337 or by email at edwina@edwinahomesales.com.



TRENDS IN TECH

By Chet Cromer

Last year I wrote about how small businesses have been moving email systems to the cloud at an amazing rate. Expensive and redundant email servers are being tossed into recycling bins as systems like Microsoft Office 365 and Google Suite help businesses minimize their technology "footprint" while maintaining high-quality communication systems. You can now have an affordable business-class system complete with shared calendars and retention policies without building your own server room at the office or hiring a full-time IT manager. This trend in technology was prophetic in our own business as well, as our most implemented technology project this year has been to migrate clients from simple email services to these cloud-based systems.

Last year's article mentioned cloud-based file sharing as an aside but didn't dive too deep into it at the time. Microsoft and Google offer sharing tools alongside their email services, and the time may be right to consider a move to one of these cloud-based systems. It may seem risky to move critical files to the cloud instead of maintaining an on-premise file system, but cloud stor-

Cloud-based team file storage

age can add layers of managed threat protection that go far beyond what any small business can implement. As users need increasing remote access to systems and critical files, options like SharePoint, OneDrive and Google Drive may prove to be a great match.

Cloud-based file sharing allows your team to move personal and shared company files to internet storage rather than utilizing a local server and sharing it on your local network. We've seen far too many companies relying on a personal desktop or laptop as their company's file server with inadequate backups, but many businesses felt forced into that decision because of the large cost of a dedicated file server. That roadblock is no more. Cloud-based file storage can help you move business files to the Internet, automatically care for backups/versioning and allow you to access your shared files from multiple locations, all while maintaining the look and feel of a local file system. You'll also be able to save money and gain performance by using smaller and lightning-fast solid-state drives (SSD) on your business computers, since local storage won't be a factor like it used to.

This trend is taking hold, but you should adopt it carefully. Many of the

services available will work with older operating systems like Windows 7, but you won't get the full benefit of features like selective offline file storage unless you're on Windows 10 or a modern Mac. You'll also need to plan on how to handle "conflicts" - the issues that arise when two or more users both change the same file at nearly the same time. Your strategy to get all of your stored files to the cloud may also need to be carefully considered and slowly adopted rather than cut over to all at once.

As always, we encourage you to venture down this road with a technology partner experienced in these transitions and that you trust to help you navigate around the inevitable potholes that may arise. Every business is unique, but I think you'll find great benefit in considering this new file storage and sharing option as it continues to take hold in day-to-day business operations.



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How to accept a compliment

GRAMMAR GUY

By Curtis Honeycutt

Humility is tricky. On the one hand, you don't want to look like a jerk by taking all the credit when the boss says, "Nice work on the executive PowerPoint presentation." On the other hand, the "aw, shucks" response when someone appreciates something about you says to the world "feel free to walk all over me." So, the question of the day is: how do you accept a compliment?

If you noticed, I just used the word "compliment" spelled with an "i." What's the difference between compliment with an "i" and complement with an "e." Let's get to the bottom of this absurd, misheard word duo.

A compliment merely is when someone says something nice about you. It's an expression of admiration or acclaim. "You have nice eyes." "I really like how you peeled those sweet potatoes." "You're the best underhanded free throw shooter on the whole basketball team." Those are all

examples of compliments.

Complements are a horse of a slightly different color. A complement is something that completes or perfects another thing. This is easy to remember because "complement" and "complete" look like similar words. When Forrest Gump told Jenny that they went together like peas and carrots, he was suggesting that Forrest and Jenny complement each other. Good wine pairings are examples of things that complement each other: The '62 Cabernet complemented the filet mignon superbly. There are several other examples of complementary categories, from math to music to color theory. Just remember that complement with an "e" looks like the word "complete."

I think we worry that if we accept a compliment, we'll come across as conceited or full of ourselves. No one wants to have the reputation of being cocky. However, I believe that when someone compliments you, you simply look him in the eye

and respond with a genuine "Thank you, I really appreciate that." Not only are you exuding a healthy level of confidence in your own skills, but you're accepting the gift that the complimenter is attempting to give you.

When you don't accept a compliment, it's almost like someone gives you a gift, you open it, look at it, shake your head, and give it back to the person. So, what I'm suggesting is that receiving a compliment from someone is the polite thing to do. It doesn't make you an arrogant jerk; it makes you gracious. Just remember to return the favor next time you notice something good in the other person.



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FRANKLIN

JCPL's Annual Cookie Contest • Celebrate the holiday season by baking your favorite cookies for JCPL's annual cookie contest. The cookie contest is open to all ages and is divided into three age divisions: children, ages 12 and under; teens, ages 13-17; and adults ages 18 and over. The winners in each age division will be awarded \$50. All participants must pre-register online before noon, No. 29. Crafts and storytime with Mrs. Claus. | When: Dec. 1, 3 p.m. | Where: Mutual Savings Bank, 80 E. Jefferson St. | Info: pageafterpage.org/2018-cookie-contest.

Visit with Santa • Come to the Johnson County Museum to meet Santa. A photo of Santa with your child is free. Enjoy holiday activities and crafts while waiting to greet Santa. | When: Dec. 1, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.; Dec. 8, noon - 3 p.m. | Where: Johnson County Museum, 135 N. Main St. | Info: greenwoodchamber.com/events.

Meet Mrs. Claus • Test your icing skills as you construct your very own gingerbread house. Enjoy holiday music until Mrs. Claus arrives for Christmas stories and photos! Graham crackers, icing and candy provided. Bring your camera for a photo opportunity. | When: Dec. 7, 4 - 5:30 p.m. | Where: Johnson County Public Library, Franklin Branch, 401 S. State St. | Info: (317) 738-2833; pageafterpage.org.

Breakfast with Santa • Breakfast will consist of pancakes, sausage, eggs, fruit, donuts, juice, milk and coffee. Each child will receive a picture with Santa and enjoy some crafts. Must pre-register; limited space is available. Cost is \$7/person. | When: Dec. 8, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. | Where: Beeson Hall, 396, Branigin Blvd. | Info: franklin.in.gov.

GREENWOOD

Greenwood Kris Kringle Market • Be a part of an expanded Greenwood Aglow offered by the Greenwood Public Library, where hundreds of people come to kick off the holiday season. The city of Greenwood is planning to have their first Kris Kringle Market in conjunction with Greenwood Aglow. Santa, Silly Safaris, crafts, activities and carriage rides. The city will make the parking lot available to holiday-themed vendors. Free event, but donations are gratefully accepted. Bring your own tent; you will be allotted a 10 x 10 space. A bonfire and hot cider will be offered. If you are interested in helping the city plan, your input is welcome. | When: Nov. 17, 4 - 7 p.m. | Where: the city parking lot on the west side of the Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St. | Info: greenwood.in.gov/events.

Kid City Christmas Express • This event will be filled with holiday fun including a train ride through the Amphitheater and grab your #SelfieswithSanta! Come inside for some hot cocoa, holiday movie, popcorn and a holiday craft to take

home to remember the magic. A group of up to 5 people: \$10. Each additional person is \$2. | When: Dec. 1, 4 - 7 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Community Center, 100 Surina Way. | Info: greenwood.in.gov.

Holiday Sip & Shop • If by "holiday spirit" you mean bourbon, join the Bourbon Women Association for its annual Holiday Sip & Shop event! Sponsored by Four Roses, Holiday Sip & Shops are an opportunity to participate in tastings, meet bourbon personalities, purchase exclusive bourbon selections and receive discounts from participating shops; the perfect chance to pick up gifts for the bourbon lovers and cocktail aficionados in your life. Admission is free and open to anyone age 21 and over. | When: Dec. 2, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Where: Payless Liquors, 1266 N. Madison Ave. | Info: bourbonwomen.org.

Caring Santa • Please join us for a private photo experience for children with special needs and their families. Children will have the opportunity to visit with Santa and have their photo taken with him. Greenwood Park Mall will make necessary adjustments to the environment to support the sensory, physical and other developmental needs of children of all abilities for this special event. | When: Dec. 2, 9 & 16, 8:30 - 10 a.m. | Where: Greenwood Park Mall, 1251 US Highway 31 N. | Info: (317) 887-8601.

Silly Safaris' Reindeer Reserve • Join us for Silly Safaris' Reindeer Reserve starring one of Santa's elves with a live baby reindeer and other animals from the North Pole! Registration is required for this program and will fill up quickly. Is the program already full? No problem! Everyone is invited to get a photo with the reindeer after the presentation. | When: Dec. 5, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Where: Johnson County Public Library, White River Branch, 1664 Library Blvd. | Info: (317) 885-1300; pageafterpage.org.

Homemade Holiday Gifts • Create simple holiday gifts and decorations to give or to keep. Please register. For teens (grade 6 through 12) and adults. | When: Dec. 6, 6 - 8 p.m. | Where: Johnson County Public Library, White River Branch, 1664 Library Blvd. | Info: (317) 885-1300; pageafterpage.org.

Holidazzle • The show is destined to become one of your family's annual traditions! The magic begins when the cast performs traditional and contemporary holiday songs and dance in our original, heart-warming storybook fairy tale. It will get you in the mood for mistletoe, reindeer and to welcome jolly ol' men in red suits. \$25-\$35. | When: Dec. 7 - Dec. 16. Friday & Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. | Where: Stage to Screen Studios, 350 S. Madison Ave. | Info: (317) 360-2733; stagetoscreenstudios.com.

Breakfast with Santa • Santa Claus is a big fan of Greenwood. Every year, the jolly gift-giver makes time for an appearance. Children ages 1 and younger are free. | When: Dec. 15, 9 a.m. | Where: Greenwood Community Center, 100 Surina Way | Info: greenwood.in.gov.

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OBITUARIES

CENTER GROVE

Patricia E. Benton

Patricia E. Benton, 78, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 26, 2018 at IU Methodist Hospital. All services will be private. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to The Cremation Society of Indiana, 4115 Shelby St., Indianapolis.

Bonnie Choat

Bonnie Choat, 76, of Bargersville, died on Oct. 21, 2018. She was born on July 26, 1942 to the late Herschel and Ruth (Crooke) Plummer. Bonnie was a 1960 Southport High School graduate, an avid reader and enjoyed lunch with friends and shopping. Her favorite pastime was being a grandma. She was a member of Bargersville First Christian Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Choat. Bonnie is survived by her daughters, Stacy (Dan) Bettner and Jennifer (Ernest) England; grandchildren, Chase, Mackenzie, Cole and Mya; sister, Dorothy (Bruce) Tucker; a brother, Robert (Donna) Plummer; and nephews and cousins. Visitation was held yesterday, Oct. 24, from 4 - 8 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens of Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Road 135. A funeral service will be held today at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Bonnie will be buried immediately following the service in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Rodger Coleman

Rodger Coleman, 81, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 19, 2018. He was born on July 31, 1937 in Dayton, Ohio, son of the late William and Beryl (Beckley) Coleman. Rodger married Kathryn Reid on March 30, 1956; she survives. He did undergraduate work at St. Joseph's College in Philadelphia and the University of Indianapolis and his graduate work at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis. Rodger served as Youth and Visitation Minister at Southport Baptist Church. In September 1976, Mayor William H. Hudnut III appointed Rodger to his cabinet as Director of Neighborhood Services. Rodger hosted several radio and television talk and interview programs and was honored with two Community Service Council's Casper Awards. He appeared regularly as a guest journalist on WTTV's State House Report. Rodger retired as pastor of Meridian Woods Baptist Church in 2001. Other survivors include a daughter, Kimberly (John) Payne; a brother, Ronald Coleman; a sister, Margaret Evelyn Greenwood; and several nieces and nephews. Visitation will be held today from 11 a.m. until the time of service at 1 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis. Rodger will be buried at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

James Clyde Duncan

James Clyde "Jimmy" Duncan, 48, died on Oct. 20, 2018 in Washington, D.C. Born Nov. 6, 1969 in Kokomo, he was a 1988 graduate of Center Grove

High School and studied at George Washington University. Jimmy had a great sense of humor and enjoyed traveling, studying abroad and experiencing life. He was preceded in death by his father, Clyde Duncan; and a brother, Larry Duncan. Survivors include his mother, Martha (Williamson) Duncan; siblings, Julie (Greg) Mingus, Marcia (Tim) Pashley, Melissa (Jeff) Nevitt; and many nieces and nephews. Visitation will be held from 1 - 3 p.m. on Nov. 3 at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens at Olive Branch, followed by the memorial service at 3 p.m. He will be buried at The Gardens at Olive Branch Cemetery.

Jacqueline M. Hargraves

Jacqueline M. Hargraves, 68, of Whiteland, Indiana, died on Oct. 31, 2018. Jacqueline was born on Jan. 6, 1950 in Indianapolis, to the Irene L. Hanshew and John E. Hanshew. Her favorite interests including crosswords, the Hallmark Channel and flowers of any shape and size. Jacqueline was preceded in death by a brother, John E. Hanshew; sister-in-law, Nancy Hanshew; and sisters, Janey Delacruz and Tina Hanshew; and a granddaughter Olivia Hargraves. Jacqueline is survived by her son, Russell "Rusty" A. (Brandi) Hargraves; daughter, Ann (Blake) White; and daughter Cyndi (Kevin) Weaver; sister, Kelley L. (Richard) Hogue; a friend, Linda Gray; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. A Celebration of Life was held on Nov. 5, at Little & Sons Funeral Home. She was cremated.



Frances Wanda Mullins

Frances Wanda Mullins, 77, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 30, 2018. Frances was born on Sept. 29, 1941 in Adolphus, Kentucky to the late Samuel H. & Addie Lee Carter. She worked for Western Electric for 30 years and retired in 1989. Frances was preceded in death by her son, Timothy Mullins; and brothers, Howard, Eugene and Clovis Carter. She is survived by her partner, Michael Harakas; daughters, Tonda (Jeff) Capps-Trent and Tresa Basey; brother, Reece (Kat) Carter; four grandchildren, Brittany, Zachary, Layla and Conner; and many nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Frances's Life was held Nov. 3 at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory, Greenwood Chapel, 481 W. Main St. Burial was in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

James Robert Parsons

James "Jim" Robert Parsons, 68, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 24, 2018. He was born on Nov. 14, 1949 in Beech Grove to the late Fred E. and Vera A. Parsons. He served his country in the United States Army. He worked for Ryder Truck Rental as a diesel mechanic from 1972 to 1976. He enjoyed watching auto racing, especially Indy Car, and was an IU and Indianapolis Colts fan. He was very well liked at Greenwood Healthcare Center, where he volunteered delivering the mail and calling Bingo two days a week. Survivors include his daughter, Aimee (Ed) Schaber; four grandchildren, Elaini Haning, Bobby Haning, David Schaber and Tori Schaber; three siblings, Dick (Patsy) Parsons, Tom (Marcia) Parsons and Anne (Rick) Youngblood; and a host of nieces,

nephews and cousins. Visitation was held on Oct. 28 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave. Funeral services were held on Oct. 29. He was buried at Washington Park East Cemetery.

William C. Pruitt

William C. "Bill" Pruitt, 90, of Franklin, died on Oct. 23, 2018. He was born on July 4, 1928 in Burksville, Kentucky to the late Wesley C. and Mattie Pruitt. He was preceded in death by his wife, Melba "Bonnie" Pruitt; daughter, Sharon Sue Kinnard; and sons-in-law, Steven Brown, Larry Kinnard and Bob Hermann. Survivors include his children, Linda Butcher, Darlene (Nick) Nizamoff, Billy Pruitt, Jerry (Karen) Pruitt, Ted (Marilyn) Pruitt, Wanda Hermann, Laura Moore and David Pruitt; 19 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and 16 great-great-grandchildren. He retired in 1989 from Colonial Bakery. Visitation and a funeral service was held on Oct. 29 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Avenue, Indianapolis. He was buried at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Elmer M. Rumley

Elmer M. Rumley, 99, of Greenwood, died on Nov. 6, 2018. Elmer was born June 7, 1919 in Hadley, Indiana to the late Flossie Rumley and Ed Rumley. He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia A Rumley; brother, Alvin Rumley; and sisters, Mary Bubneck and Juanita Daun. Elmer is survived by sons, Ron Rumley and Dennis Rumley; a sister, Lois Fisk; five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Visitation was held Nov. 9 at Little & Sons Funeral Home. A funeral service was held on Nov. 10 at Gray Road Baptist Church, with burial at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.



Donald E. Saylor, Sr.

Donald E. Saylor, Sr., 75, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 15, 2018. He was born on June 11, 1943 in Jeffersonville, Indiana to Gilbert and Zella Saylor. Donald was a member of Masonic Lodge, VFW #5864, a lifetime member of the NRA and North American Fish Club; he loved horse-shoes, bowling and coaching. A funeral service was held on Oct. 20. Burial was held in Greenwood Cemetery.

Ethel S. Spacke

Ethel S. Spacke, 89, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 28, 2018. She was born on March 29, 1929 in Indianapolis. Ethel was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Herman F. Spacke. Ethel was a teacher at Perry Township schools for 29 years, retiring in 1993. Herman and Ethel were charter members of St. Barnabas Catholic Church, where they were active in the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Ethel was also a Benedictine Oblate of Our Lady of Grace Monastery. Ethel is preceded in death by her sisters, Mary Youngstafel and JoAnne Hollingsworth; and a great-grandson, Dylan Mathes. Survivors include sons, Tom (Terri) Spacke and Jay (Becky) Spacke; a daughter, Sheila (fiancé Kurt Schletzer) Mathes; eight grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. A Celebration of Life will be held today from 3 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Daniel

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OBITUARIES

F. O'Riley Funeral Home, 6107 S. East St., Indianapolis, with recitation of the Rosary beginning at 3 p.m. Morning prayers will begin at 10 a.m. on Nov. 2 at the funeral home, with the Mass of Christian Burial following at St. Barnabas Catholic Church at 10:30 a.m. Burial will be at the Mass in Calvary Cemetery, Indianapolis.

Douglas W. Sprague

Douglas W. Sprague, 71, of Greenwood, died on Nov. 3 at Community South Hospital. Arrangements are pending with Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service and Crematory Greenwood Chapel. He was married to Pamela.

Ronald H. Wick Sr.

Ronald H. Wick Sr., 77, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 19, 2018. He was born on Aug. 10, 1941 in Marion County, Indiana to the late William A. Wick and Minnie Maxine Timmons. Ron married Virginia L. Slevin on June 16, 1967; she survives. He was a member of Greenwood Christian Church and UAW #23. He worked for General Motors for 30 years as a utility lineman, retiring in 1998. Ron enjoyed model airplanes, playing baseball and his dog, Missy. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Christian Sean Wick. Other survivors include his four children, Ronald H. Wick Jr., Suzanne E. (Paul) Bridgewater, William Scott (Joellyn) Wick and Sean Patrick (Nikki) Wick; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Eleanor Sue Thurman. Visitation and a service was held yesterday, Oct. 24 at G.H. Hermann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens of Olive Branch, 1605 S. State Road 135. He was buried at The Gardens at Olive Branch Cemetery & Mausoleum Park.

Shirley Maxine Jenkinson Wright

Ms. Shirley Maxine Jenkinson Wright, 92, of Greenwood, died on Oct. 15. She was born on Aug. 26, 1926 in Muncie, Indiana. She was the daughter of the late Henry and Cecil (Leonard) Jenkinson. Shirley graduated from Southport High School. She attended Church of the First Born in Indianapolis, where she was also baptized. Shirley loved working and donating money to missions. She is survived by her daughters, Carolyn L. (Michael) Marks and Maxine R. Lowhorn; her son, Thayron "Butch" Jenkinson; her nieces, Donna (Ronald) Loschky, Margaret Jean Summitt and Sandy Bledsoe. A graveside service was conducted on Oct. 17 at New Crown Cemetery - 2101 Churchman Ave., Indianapolis.



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By Pastor
Chris Philbeck

I recently got a call about the passing of a man whose family I was close to in the church I served before I moved to Indiana. They asked if I could do the funeral, and because I love them dearly, I arranged my schedule to make that possible. I could have preached his funeral without ever talking to the family, but the night before the service I met them to hear their thoughts and remembrances. When I got up to leave, they gave me copies of letters they had each written to him when they celebrated his 80th birthday. There was a letter from his wife, his three daughters, his three sons-in-law, all of his grandchildren and their spouses, if they were married. I read through the letters and was impressed by two things. First, they didn't just love him, they adored him. Second, the common theme in each letter was that he showed up for them. He showed up in the good times and bad. He showed up to celebrate, to support, to teach, to listen, to do whatever he needed to do in the moment. When it came to his family, he showed up. And that left each of them with a memory they would never forget. As I read through the letters, I couldn't help but think of Proverbs 20:6. *Many a man claims to have unfailing love, but a faithful man who can find?* We all have people in our lives who talk a good game when it comes to love and support, but how many people can we count on to show up when they're needed? A little earlier, in Proverbs 3:3-4 we're given this instruction. *Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.* I like to talk to the people in my church about changing the world. In fact, I'll ask this question: Can a single church in central Indiana change the world? That sounds like a bold question when we think about how large and complex the world is. But I have always believed that we change the world when we show up. My friend in Oklahoma changed the world for his family by showing up for them every single day. Who do you need to "show up" for in your life? We change the world when we show up.



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

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Loren Minnix

Local veteran helps those struggling with PTSD

By Nancy Price

Loren Minnix is helping veterans turn their post-traumatic stress disorder into a positive growth experience.

Minnix, a veteran himself, started Greenwood-based Warrior's Hope in 2006.

"I wanted to reach out to extend hope to those who may be struggling," he said. It's their hope."

Warrior's Hope is designed to help veterans adjust back to civilian life and help them to process their emotions such as anger, loneliness and depression into post-traumatic growth.

"There is PTSD and what is called post-traumatic growth, where a person takes devastating trauma and turns it around for the good rather than for self-deprecation," he said. "It's a struggle any way you cut it,

but I think the old term, turning lemons into lemonade, is a good description of post-traumatic growth. You introduce that thought process to them because it's foreign to their minds. If you can take and turn your trauma around for the good, that's a whole other focus; that's where there's hope, whereas PTSD struggles with the negative side of trauma. People say, 'How can there be a positive side?' We grow from experience. We really grow when we're hit between the eyes with it."

Minnix is a Certified Biblical Counselor. He believes that learning from the Bible is more effective than secular therapy.

"Psychology doesn't work," he said. "It's a secular process and limited in its scope, whereas biblical counseling goes right to the depth; how and why we were created."

Warrior's Hope offers mentoring, weekly peer support group meetings, private counsel, referral to resources and group study.

"We give them a goal to shoot for rather than focus on their personal problems," Minnix said. "While we allow people to talk about their weak and personal issues, we have a focus as well."

Minnix introduces devotional books as a way to help veterans process their emotions. For example, a daily devotional book on anger management was the focus of a recent study. Participants may take turns reading a passage aloud and discuss the emotion during a facilitator-led group.

While some veterans may have grown up in a Christian home, Minnix noted, others may have been exposed to violence and addiction

growing up, and Christianity is entirely new to them.

"This one guy came in to one of our meetings and he hung around a little bit after," Minnix said. "I said, 'Do you want to talk to me?' He said 'Yeah. I hear you guys talking about Jesus Christ. Is it really real what you're talking about?' Six weeks later, during one of our meetings, I asked if anyone had anything to share. He said he turned his life to Jesus Christ. To see people who really don't know if they have a specific direction and find one that is fulfilling for them is an awesome opportunity."

Warrior's Hope meets every Tuesday from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the Warrior's Hope headquarters at 430 N. Madison Ave. Ste. 2, Greenwood. For more information, contact Loren Minnix at (317) 412-2428 or email L.Minnix@warriorshope.com.

What do you consider your greatest virtue?

Being focused on God. My main focus is on Jesus Christ, who was crucified. Everything else falls into place.

What upsets you?

Right now, in today's world, it's political correctness. We're afraid to tell the truth for fear of offending someone.

What do you like best about Center Grove?

I moved here in 1968 and it's been home ever since. It was a small town and I've had the privilege of watching it grow and grow and grow, from a sleepy village to dynamic industrial potential.

What's your favorite Southside eatery?

Anyplace that does not sell alcohol.

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

I don't think I'd want to live anywhere else. Greenwood's fine with me.

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

Nothing.

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

Helping others. I love world missions and helping the local church.

What makes you happiest?

Seeing people find God.

Pick three adjectives that best describe you.

Pugilistic; protagonist; aggressive.

What is your favorite vacation spot?

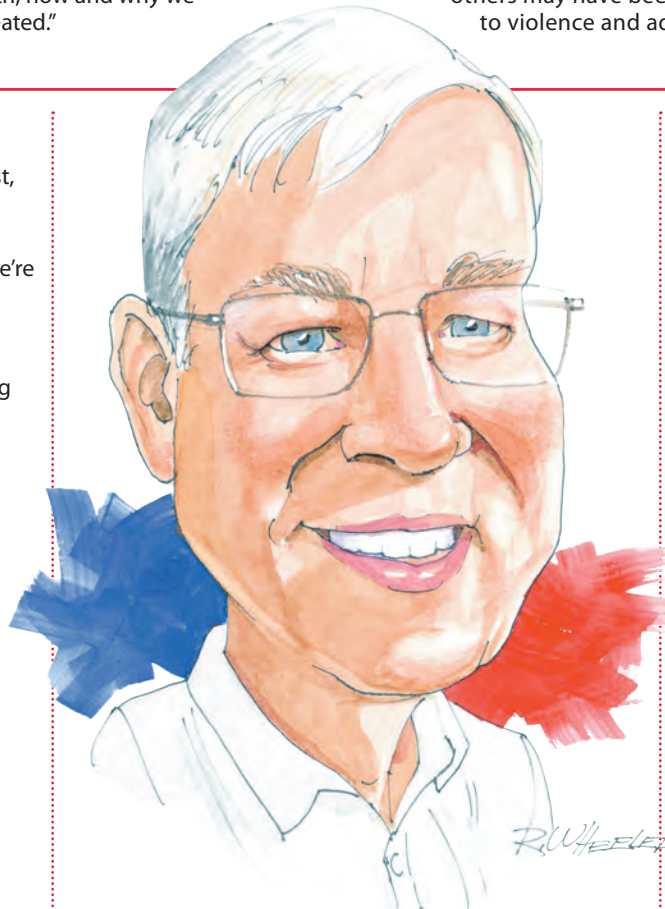
Smoky Mountains.

What do you do with idle time?

Read.

What would you change about our culture if you could?

I think we need to be more realistic. We need to recognize



aggressive forces for what they are and not try to patch them up or heal them over.

How do you escape from reality?

I don't know that I do. Reading would be one way to do

that. I read my Bible a lot and I love it. It's not a struggle for me. It's just fun.

What do you love most in life?

My wife, children and grandchildren. The fact that God has blessed me with a good family. (And a future great-grandchild).

Which living person in Center Grove do you most admire?

Woody Church. Woody helped me when we formed Warrior's Hope; he was one of my advisors in biblical counseling. He helped Warrior's Hope form the vision. He was dynamic in his vision for Warrior's Hope. He was a dear friend and mentor.

What quality do you admire most in another person?

Openness.

What is your greatest fear?

God. Fear is the beginning of God's wisdom.

What has been the happiest time of your life?

Seeing new babies come along in the family. It's something special to bring new life in the house.

Is there a special talent you really wish you had?

I wish I could play a musical instrument.

What do you most value in your friends?

Integrity.

Which historical figure do you most admire?

Right now, it would be Oswald Chambers since I'm reading his books so much.

What tenet do you live by?

Being consistent in faith, work, relationships.

What would people be surprised to learn about you?

How uneducated I really am. I quit school after the seventh grade. I was reading Ernie Pyle and about atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. I was absorbing stuff and to me, that was school.

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Greenwood completes \$2 million Madison Avenue transformation

Construction - The city of Greenwood has completed the first phase of its redevelopment of Madison Avenue, one of the city's major north-south corridors. In March, the Greenwood Redevelopment Commission (RDC) approved the project and invested over \$2 million to begin phase one construction work. The project is a continua-

tion of city efforts to revitalize downtown Greenwood, known locally as Old Town. The initial phase of construction encompassed a portion of Madison Avenue close to downtown between Pearl and Noble Streets. The project includes a multi-use 12-foot wide trail for pedestrians and bicyclists, a landscaped bioswale, two brick pedestrian crosswalks, a pedestrian hybrid beacon signal at Euclid Avenue, decorative lightning and a revitalized public parking lot at Broadway and Madison. For continued updates on projects, go to indy.in.gov.



Roncalli donates to Hunger Inc.

Donation - Hunger Inc. food pantry recognized the generous support that was recently received from Roncalli High School. A generous donation was made as a result of their annual Roncalli canned food drive. Shown are Mr. Ryan Costello (left), Roncalli English teacher and student council moderator, presenting a donation to Tom Brown, President of Hunger Inc. As one of the numerous beneficiaries of this drive, Hunger Inc. is extremely grateful for Roncalli's support in the effort to feed our hungry neighbors in Perry Township and Beech Grove.



Four Roncalli students earn memorial scholarships

Academics - Four Roncalli students were honored recipients of the Bluff Creek Golf Course George Greer Memorial Scholarship. Presenting the check, on behalf of Bluff Creek Golf Course and the George Greer Memorial Scholarship, was Steve Coffman. In photo (top back), is presenter Steve Coffman; middle row, left to right, is Mariel Martinez and Carlos Garcia; and front row, left to right, is Jennifer Murillo and Chelsea Garcia Andalon.

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