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Southside News Quiz

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1 What exercise helps slow the progression of Parkinson's disease, according to Ted Kitchel?

- A. Yoga
 B. Rock Steady Boxing
 C. Swimming
 D. Bike riding

2 What town in Franklin Township was named Farmersville for two years in the mid-1800s?

- A. Wannamaker
 B. New Bethel
 C. Beech Grove
 D. Acton

3 What area on the Southside has been named Neighborhood of the Month for September?

- A. Fountain Square
 B. South Franklin
 C. Garfield Park
 D. Whitestown



4 What is the name of the cinematographer in the movie, *The Goldfinch*?

- A. Russell Carpenter
 B. Dean Semler
 C. Roger Deacons
 D. John Seale



5 What is the tallest height that the "ice tree" in Franklin Township has reached?

- A. 35 to 40 feet
 B. 70 to 75 feet
 C. 78-80 feet
 D. 55 to 57 feet

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THIS WEEK on the WEB



U of Indy is recognized by U.S. News & World Report as a national doctoral/professional university. (Photo provided by the University of Indianapolis)

University of Indianapolis joins ranks of nation's elite institutions

The University of Indianapolis has recently been named as an elite institution by a U.S. News & World Report category. UIndy is now recognized as a national doctoral/professional university, which U.S. News & World Report uses in its

annual higher education rankings. Schools in this category offer a full range of undergraduate majors, in addition to masters and doctoral programs. As well, the university is now ranked nationally in the Social Mobility category, which recognizes institutions committed to enroll economically and disadvantaged students.

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Fountain Square is known as a vibrant arts community. (Submitted photo)

Fountain Square named September Neighborhood of the Month

Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett has announced that Fountain Square is September's Neighborhood of the Month. The Neighborhood of the Month program highlights Indianapolis neighborhood initiatives, works to engage community groups and promotes projects by city departments. Fountain Square is known as a home for unique independent restaurants, art galleries and studios, live entertainment, vintage wares, a vibrant retail mix and small professional offices. The area is developing as a primary live/work community for Indianapolis artists.

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Left, Ted Kitchell played for IU-Bloomington in the late 70s/early 80s. | Right, former IU Basketball Coach Bobby Knight taught Kitchell lessons in life. (Submitted photos)

LIVING WITH PARKINSON'S

Ted Kitchel begins foundation to help raise money for disease research

By Stephanie Dolan

Life is hard enough without having to worry about all the things that can happen to us ... accidents ... illness ... tax audits. It can be depressing if you think about it long enough. And a lot of us do. We ruminate. We obsess. We focus so much on the negative possibilities that we often miss the glaringly obvious positive realities jumping up and down right in front of us.

It's easy to forget that it's possible to turn those lemons into lemonade.

That's what Ted Kitchel of Center Grove has done.

Diagnosed four years ago with Parkinson's disease, Kitchel recently held a golf fundraiser for Parkinson's research on Aug. 26,



raising more than \$42,000.

"We learned a lot about how you do it," he said. "It was very successful. My daughter Mackenzie lives in Chicago and works for a pharmaceutical company. I called her and said, 'Let's bag this. We haven't really done anything.' And she's like 'Oh no. There's no way we're forgetting about this.' She said we're going to do this. So, we slowly started to try to line up teams. We lived in Cincinnati for 13 years, and I have a tremendous amount of support in Indiana having played on an NCAA basketball team."

Kitchel was an Indiana University basketball player and sports analyst.

"I also worked for FootJoy for 27 years, so I have a lot of connections in the golf world," he said. "Ray Skillman was a major donor. He's very helpful with his money. We had a friend in Vandalia, OH who was a big help with donations. Other than that, it was \$150 a player and \$600 (for a) team. If you wanted to sponsor a hole where you sign up with your name, it was another \$200 to \$300. My roommate from college, Randy Whitman — an NBA coach, came in and played. People like that got involved."

"When my dad got diagnosed, my family and myself didn't know too much about Parkinson's," Mackenzie Kitchel said. "It's a scary thing even though it's not one of the major things you hear about like ALS. You always hear about the worst-case scenarios, but once we did our research and saw what level of progression he was at, we were a little more at ease. We now take everything with a grain of salt. We wanted to

know what we could do to slow progression and make this the most positive outcome."

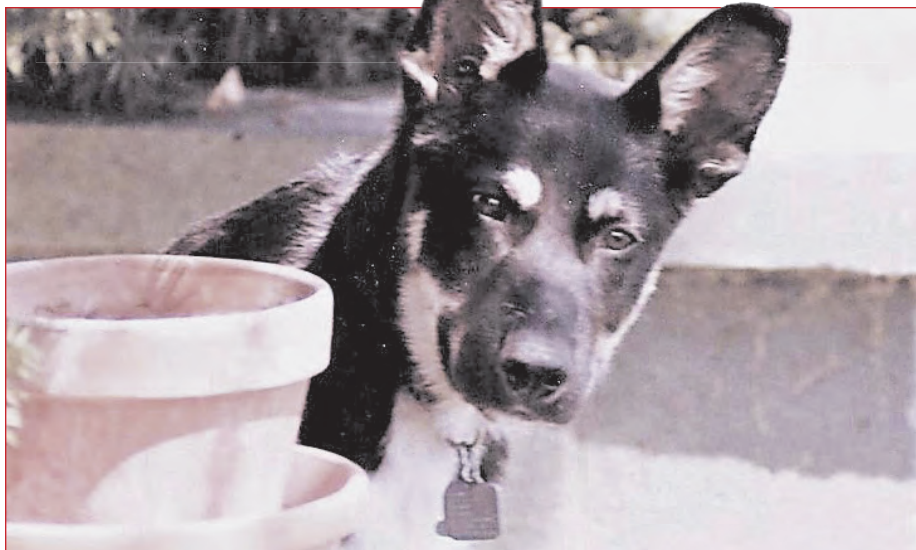
To slow the progression of the disease, Kitchel started visiting Rock Steady Boxing, a program designed specifically for Parkinson's patients.

"I got involved with Rock Steady Boxing," Kitchel said. "It was kind of new at the time. You do a lot of balancing drills and a lot of weight lifting. The last half hour you put on your boxing gloves and you hit the bag and spar with the teacher. Probably more importantly, you're in there with a group of people who are going through the same things you're going through. These are people who all have Parkinson's, so they know what you're talking about and have the same feelings and a lot of us see the same doctors. Rock Steady is very good. I normally go two to three times a week. The more active you can stay I think it slows the progression of the disease."

"After he got into doing the workout classes and everything, I think his doctors really noticed a significant change," Mackenzie said. "We had a meeting with all the top doctors and organizers of foundations and fundraisers. The IU School of Medicine was really supportive. All of the people involved have been really great. It's just something that we became very passionate about very quickly. As soon as my dad got diagnosed, we jumped into research and it became a passion of all of ours and really close to all of our hearts."

Find the Ted Kitchel Parkinson's Disease Research Fund on Facebook. To donate to the Ted Kitchel Parkinson's Disease Research Fund, visit myiu.org/one-time-gift.

Kitchell with his wife, Kristi. (Photo by Rick Hinton)



Do former pets ever really go away? Some say no. (Photo by Steve Edwards)

I will have a dog waiting on me

HAUNTS & JAUNTS

By Rick Hinton

Every now and then you hear a story that makes you pause. One that resonates due to age, health conditions and the journey through life thus far. And also, the nagging question that lingers in the back of the mind: will I again see the things that meant the most to me during my sojourn? When I die, will it be someone or something I was close to that comes to lead me home?

Steve Edwards, painter and friend, doesn't often speak of his past. Especially his paranormal past. Recently on Facebook he did:

"I promised you all a story a few days back. It is a true story and explains why I am so sensitive to losing a dog more so than many. In 2008, I had surgery on my left knee. My meniscus was shot and causing me pain. I was told I'd be back to normal within two weeks. I still limp and favor that leg. The one thing that I was not told was the danger of blood clots.

I was watering flowers for Sheree (Steve's wife) one Sunday morning before she got up. The last thing I remember is the water spraying from the nozzle and me sitting on a stone bench in the backyard watching it. The next thing I knew was I felt a wet tongue licking me on my face. Opening my eyes, I was face-down in the grass. As I turned my head I was stunned. There before me wagging his tail and nosing me was my long-gone old friend King, a Shepard and Collie mix that had died in 1985. He was absolutely one of the best dogs I have ever had. He lived to be almost 18 years old and when his time came it was sudden.

He had been by my chair, he sat up and whined. I dropped down to him and he laid against me and died as I held him.

But here he was before me as I lay there looking at him. He started to lick me again and I told him, 'King, you know I don't like that.' Going down to the ground, my face in the grass, I realized that he was long dead, and I shouldn't be seeing him. I looked back up but there was no sign of King. It was then I realized my situation. I couldn't get up as I got violently sick. Tried calling for help, but no neighbors. I finally crawled and got myself into the house somehow and aroused Sheree, who then called 911. Clots had blocked up my lungs and were causing my heart to race at over 240 beats per minute. The rest is medical history. When I had recouped enough, I told Sheree about King.

So, after it all was said and done, I was able to put two and two together. King came back to revive me. It wasn't my time, but he let me know he will be there for me when it is. So, when I pass, unlike many people who will see that departed person they miss; I will have a dog waiting for me. We're going to walk that road together into the next world, him leading me.

True story. And that is why animals hold a special place in my heart. And I have faith that they go on."

It's food for thought.



Rick Hinton, a Southport resident, loves researching things that go bump in the night. His articles can be read on Facebook: Rick Hinton, Southport Paranormal Examiner. Hinton conducts paranormal investigations with his team, South Central Paranormal.

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Oktoberfest: a Southside tradition stays its course

By Rick Hinton

For three days every year Oktoberfest, hosted by the German American Klub at German Park, is a flurry of activity and celebration with live music, dancing, food, drink and a carnival midway. This year was no exception.

The 45-year fest is often associated with beer, and that certainly plays a part. Food offerings were plenty: bratwurst, knockwurst, potato pancakes and salad, hot dogs heaped with sauerkraut and mustard, Brezeln (pretzels) and German roasted almonds. And the desserts: strudels – apple and cherry, Black Forest and German chocolate cake.

Men wearing traditional lederhosen leather shorts and sporting Alpine hats mingled with the healthy crowd as fair maidens in dirndls (consisting of a blouse, skirt and apron), with twin ponytails bouncing, blended into dusk. The music continued to an appreciative crowd as festivalgoers, including youth screaming on midway rides, paced themselves for a long, enjoyable summer evening.

1. Crowds enjoy live music as dusk descends. (Photo by Rick Hinton) 2. A toast to Oktoberfest's gone by. (Photo by Rick Hinton) 3. The carnival area at Oktoberfest was a popular attraction. (Photo by Paul Young) 4. Dancing was a big part of the festival. (Photo by Rick Hinton)



Nancy VanArendonk, president of the Franklin Township Historical Society. (Submitted photo)

Franklin Township's history spans nearly 200 years

FEATURE

By Nancy VanArendonk, President
Franklin Township Historical Society

What had originally been a mere woodland path used by native peoples became, after a treaty was signed with the Potawatomi tribe, a means of travel for incoming settlers. What is now called Southeastern Avenue was once part of the Michigan Road, one of the most important transportation routes in the early history of Indiana. The Michigan Road connected Madison on the Ohio River to Michigan City on Lake Michigan, running through the then-new state capital of Indianapolis on the way.

In 1825, a man named Reuben Adams, along with his wife, Mary, and their 11 children, moved here from Kentucky. Two years later, the family donated a portion of their land for the construction of the first primitive building of the New Bethel Baptist Church. Today, in the little cemetery across the street from that church, you can still see the graves of Reuben and Mary.

In 1834, after she was widowed, Mary hired John Messinger to lay out the town of New Bethel on a portion of her farmland, the town's name being taken from that of the Baptist Church. When the town of New Bethel sought to have a post office, it was found that there was already a similarly-named town in Indiana and the townsfolk were told that their town would have to be renamed. The name "Wanamaker" was chosen to honor John Wanamaker, President Benjamin Harrison's postmaster general and a successful and highly-respected Philadelphia businessman.

New Bethel was renamed Wanamaker in the late 1800s, but debate about the name continued for decades. One old map simul-

taneously shows the town as named New Bethel, but the post office was named Wanamaker, and road signs and residents used both names for years.

In 1825 Nehemiah Smith was an original patentee of 80 acres on Southport Road, and held another 80 acres in Perry Township. Smith apparently obtained ownership of the land about five years before actually moving here, because records show that he settled in Franklin Township in 1830, along with family that included his son-in-law, Abraham Henricks.

In 1836 Smith donated an acre of his farmland to provide a site on which a Baptist church could be built. The church was erected at the northwest corner of Southport and Combs roads. Although the building is long gone, there is still a pioneer cemetery on the land, and both Smith and Henricks are buried there. (Nehemiah Smith, incidentally, was my great-great-grandfather, and Abraham was my great-great-grandfather!)

Another town in Franklin Township, Acton, wasn't laid out until 1852. For two years it was known as "Farmersville," but was renamed in 1854 when the postal service discovered there was already a Farmersville in Posey County. The new name Acton was chosen in honor of an early settler, General Acton.

Acton quickly grew large and successful, aided by the fact that the railroad ran through the town. Acton's biggest claim to fame was something that wasn't even inside the town itself: The 40-acre Acton Campground existed from 1859 to 1905 and drew literally tens of thousands of people at a time! The campground had more than 100 cottages, a large pavilion and a two-story hotel. There was a

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Top left, the Franklin Township Historical Society's Meeting House was built in 1871. | Top right, New Bethel store in 1923 with owner, Ernest Lowes. | Bottom, a barn in Southeastern Avenue during threshing time. (Submitted photos)

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manmade lake for boating, and a bandstand on the grounds where people could spread out on the lawns to hear the music.

Crowds heard clergymen, temperance leaders, evangelists and politicians. There were stereopticon programs, elocutionists, bands and orchestras, singing groups and sermons and book reviews.

On Nov. 12, 1905, two little girls playing near the campground saw fire in the dry leaves near the train tracks after an afternoon freight had passed by. The Acton townspeople tried to put out the fire, but in just 30 minutes every one of the 110 cottages was ablaze, and by an hour later all the cottages and the pavilion had burned to the

ground and 425 trees were destroyed.

About half of the original campground property is now designated as a city-county park, and there's a roadside historical marker about the Acton Campground near the entrance, on the north side of Southport Road, immediately west of Acton Road.

Meanwhile, back in Wanamaker: The interurban line (think of it as an electric train) ran down the Michigan Road, right down the middle of the dirt-road main street of Wanamaker, before turning south to Acton. The interurban served Franklin Township from the early 1900s to the 1930s, and one of the benefits of having the interurban reach your rural town was that it brought electricity to the towns along its route. Residents and businesses could purchase electricity from the interurban company.

Franklin Township Historical Society to host annual Harvest Luncheon

Other stories of Franklin Township's early years will be given in a live and on-screen presentation at the Franklin Township Historical Society's annual Harvest Luncheon, to be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28 at Grace Church, 5605 S. Franklin Road. The meal will be catered by A la Arlette. There will be live music and a silent auction of baskets of goodies donated by individuals and area merchants. All proceeds support the

Franklin Township Historical Society, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization. Advance reservations are required and must be made by Sept. 21. Event cost is \$15 per person. Payment can be made online at FTHS.org, or checks can be mailed to the Franklin Township Historical Society, P.O. Box 39015, Indianapolis, IN 46239. For further information, email FranklinTownshipHistory@gmail.com.



Left, Veal used scrap lumber, binder twine, tree limbs and freshly cut brush as part of the ice tree. | Center, Vierl Veal in 1967. He began to toss food coloring to make the ice trees more attractive. | Right, during the blizzard of 1977-1978, the tree grew to 70-75 feet. (Submitted photos)

Franklin Township winter attraction created by accident

FEATURE

By Nancy Price

There are great inventions that have been created by mistake. For example, one of America's favorite cookies, chocolate chip, was supposed to be a chocolate cookie, but the baker ran out of baker's chocolate and broke sweetened chocolate into small pieces and added them to cookie dough.

In winter of 1961, a Franklin Township father named Vierl Veal decided to start spraying water to make an ice slide on a hill near his house so his children could slide down onto the pond. Yet, as a result of a strong wind that night, the water blew onto some nearby honeysuckle bushes instead. He thought the accidental creation was so beautiful, he continued to spray water onto the bushes each winter, even adding food coloring to make the invention look more festive. In 1965, he decided to expand the "ice tree" into something bigger, using scrap lumber, binder twine, tree limbs and freshly cut brush.

Vierl continued to add more brush to the tree, which expanded to heights of up to 35 or 40 feet in an average year.

In 1968, due to growing popularity, a story and photos of the ice tree appeared in The Indianapolis Star. "That's when we had a lot of people come out that day (the article appeared) or the following days," said Jeff Veal, Vierl's son. Jeff estimates that up to 1,000 people were out to see the tree.

Though Vierl passed away in 1973, his family continued the annual tradition. During the blizzard of 1977-1978, the tree reached 70-75 feet. "Every year is different," Jeff said of the ice tree's height.

People can still visit the ice tree, located at 6445 Mimosa Lane, and even catch a glimpse from I-74, near exit 99 (Acton Road). A few years ago, the attraction was even mentioned in a list of top 10 things to do over the weekend in the Indianapolis area.

Jeff estimates that the ice tree takes about five to six days to build each year. Typically, it is built when the weather forecast has five or more days of temperatures below 30 degrees (usually in January).

For more information or to view a photo gallery, visit vealsicetree.wixsite.com/vealsicetree. There is also a YouTube video from channel 6 made in 1984: [YouTube/watch?v=FwbNjvWHjY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FwbNjvWHjY).

ON CAMPUS

Jordan Frederick earns bachelor's degree from Millikin University

Academics – Jordan Frederick of Indianapolis earned a bachelor's degree in arts from Millikin University during the university's 115th commencement ceremony, held May 19. Millikin's spring 2019 commencement ceremony was held at the Decatur Civic Center in Decatur, IL.

Jake Meador graduates from the University of Wisconsin-Madison

Academics – Jake Meador of Greenwood graduated with a bachelor's degree in retailing and consumer behavior from the School of Human Ecology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison May 11. The commencement speaker was NFL superstar and former Badger J.J. Watt.

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Top left, children listen intently during Cowboy Bob's talk in 1987. | Top right, grand opening of the library on Franklin Road in February 2000. | Bottom, the Franklin Road Public Library. | Inset, the Wanamaker Branch in August 1969. (Submitted photos)

The beginning: a history of libraries in Franklin Township

FEATURE

By **Jon Barnes**
Communications Specialist,
Indianapolis Public Library

As early as 1943, a group of women formed a reading club and later petitioned the Indianapolis Public Library for materials to begin a staffed-by-volunteers library in the empty Catholic Church building in Acton. Bookmobile services began in Franklin Township in November 1966; first in Acton, then in Wanamaker. One of the smallest branches in the library system with 2,569 square feet,

the Wanamaker Branch opened on April 14, 1969 at 8822 Southeastern Ave. in Franklin Township. It was the fifth of the branch libraries to open in Marion County following the expansion of services to county residents in 1966. The leased building was purchased by the Library Board on Dec. 8, 1978.

The Wanamaker Branch served the township until the new 18,000-square-foot Franklin Road Branch, located on a five-acre piece of land at 5550 S. Franklin Road, opened on Feb. 19, 2000. The Franklin Road Branch was the first new construction project in a series of expansions and renovations throughout the library system during the early 2000s.

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FROM THE EDITOR

Indiana State Department announces \$2 million plan to help combat youth vaping

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) has confirmed the first death of an Indiana resident due to severe lung injury linked to a history of e-cigarette use or "vaping." The death was confirmed as part of an investigation involving health officials at the local and federal levels and in surrounding states.

Indiana is also investigating 30 cases of severe lung injury linked to vaping. Eight of those have been confirmed. The majority of the Indiana cases have occurred among individuals ages 16-29. Nationally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has reported more than 215 cases, with more under investigation.

"These numbers are shocking, and more must be done to keep these addictive and dangerous products out of the hands of young Hoosiers," said Indiana State Rep. Cindy Krichhofer (R-Beech Grove). "Unfortunately, most are unaware of the dangers of e-cigarettes, and some are even led to believe this is a healthier alternative to smoking, which is untrue."

ISDH, Indiana Governor Eric J. Holcomb and Kris Box, MD, FACOG, have announced a \$2 million plan to combat youth vaping that focuses on training and education for schools, parents and students, a youth-focused text-to-quit program and a statewide vaping awareness campaign to focus on both prevention and cessation.

"I will continue to work closely with Governor Holcomb and the department of health on solutions to encourage all Hoosiers – especially teenagers – to adopt safe and healthy lifestyles," Krichhofer said.

Parents and educators who want to learn more about ways to protect Indiana youth from the dangers of vaping are urged to visit vapefreeindiana.isdh.in.gov.



STARS & STRIKES ON THE SOUTHSIDE

The Southside Times is all about people and our community. What do you like in your neighborhood? What don't you like? Who has done something nice, no

matter how small, and should be recognized? Email your "Stars and Strikes" to news@ss-times.com.

★ **Star:** to the first day of fall on Monday.

★ **Star:** to the first Indy Story Slam of the season tonight. Storytelling Arts of Indiana, Garfield Park Arts Center and WFYI are partnering to present the Story Slams.

★ **Star:** to Southport High School's 40th class reunion this Saturday evening at Muckey Duck Banquet Hall.

★ **Star:** to Johnson County Transitional Council's resource fair tonight to offer resources, including employment, educational and housing information, to those with disabilities.

★ **Star:** to Perry Seniors & Friends Golf Outing next Wednesday to benefit senior citizens in Perry Township.

★ **Star:** to Beech Grove Chamber's inaugural mini golf outing next Friday, Sept. 27.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Obstacles are things a person sees when he takes his eyes off his goal."

– E. Joseph Cossman
businessman

HUMOR



TOP 10 REASONS I WON'T BE JOINING THE MARCH ON AREA 51

By Torry Stiles

10. I had talked the paper into paying me to go but their \$17 wouldn't cover my bus ticket.
9. I've watched too many Spielberg movies to think meeting aliens would go smoothly.
8. Mom wouldn't sign my permission slip.
7. I was put into a group of folks to travel together and it turns out I'm the only one with a driver's license.
6. The Air Force is in charge over there and they don't chase you anymore. They just send in some drones.
5. My dyslexia kicked in and I ended up at Forever 21. Missed the aliens but I got a great deal on a new blouse.
4. Dodging traffic on the Southeast side is rough enough without worrying about soldiers with machine guns.
3. I'm allergic to felonies.
2. What? And miss the big cute pet contest in next week's *The Southside Times*?
1. I worked too hard escaping in the first place.



BELIEVE IT!

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

In Hawaii, coins are not allowed to be placed in one's ears.

Source: dumblaws.com



READERS' WRITES

Thank you to for covering Roncalli's 50th anniversary celebration

Thank you! What a wonderful, beautiful spread in this week's edition of *The Southside Times* covering our 50th birthday celebration!

On behalf of our school and school community I thank you for the time, energy and commitment that was shown by *The Southside Times* toward this historic event in our school's history!

We are very appreciative for all that you do not just for Roncalli but for the Southside! So refreshing to pick up your paper and know that I am going to read positive, uplifting stories about the great people found on the Southside!

Thank you again and may God continue to bless you and your work!

Chuck Weisenbach
Principal
Roncalli High School

Visit Main Street and local businesses

The city received a lot of good exposure with the recent First Friday, Fall Festival and Music on Main Street. All these events were very good, and they introduced a lot of people to Main Street. Coming up soon is the Beautify Beech Grove Walk on Sept. 28 and the annual "Cars R Us" car show slated for Sunday, Sept. 29. Both of these events will showcase Main Street as well. Please come out for a walk and take a look at a lot of neat vehicles.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dennis B. Buckley
Mayor
City of Beech Grove



AROUND TOWN



Indy Backpack Attack receives \$7,500 grant from The UPS Foundation

Grant – Indy Backpack Attack received a \$7,500 grant from The UPS Foundation, which drives global corporate citizenship and philanthropic programs for UPS (NYSE:UPS). The grant will be used toward school supplies to provide children the tools they need to succeed in school. Since 1999, Indy Backpack Attack has formed a strategic community collaboration with central Indiana organizations and businesses and has made it their mission to collect school supplies to provide children the tools they need to succeed in school. It's reported that 87 percent of families in the Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) system need help with basic school supplies. With the help of local organizations and businesses, Indy Backpack Attack has collected more than six million school supplies since 1999. For more information about Indy Backpack Attack or to make a tax-deductible donation, please visit indybackpackattack.org.

Decorated Greenwood Vietnam Army veteran to be buried in Madison, IN Sept. 27

Veteran burial – The burial service for Vietnam Army veteran (1970-1972), Charles "Alan" Burke is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 27 at Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1415 N. Gate Road, Madison, IN 47250 at 4 p.m. Mr. Burke was a Specialist 4, received the Army Commendation Metal for meritorious service, the Air Medal for meritorious service, the Vietnam Service Metal, the Vietnam Campaign Metal w/ 60 device, a Bronze Star, two overseas service bars and the National Defense Metal. He also held the Sharpshooter and Expert Badges. Mr. Burke died Aug. 27 at Greenwood Health and Living. It is unknown if he had any close friends other than those at Greenwood Health. Considering Mr. Burke's meritorious war record while serving his country you're encouraged to attend his service to recognize his honorable military service. The Army and the Greenwood & Whiteland Military Funeral Honor Guard teams will be providing full military honors.



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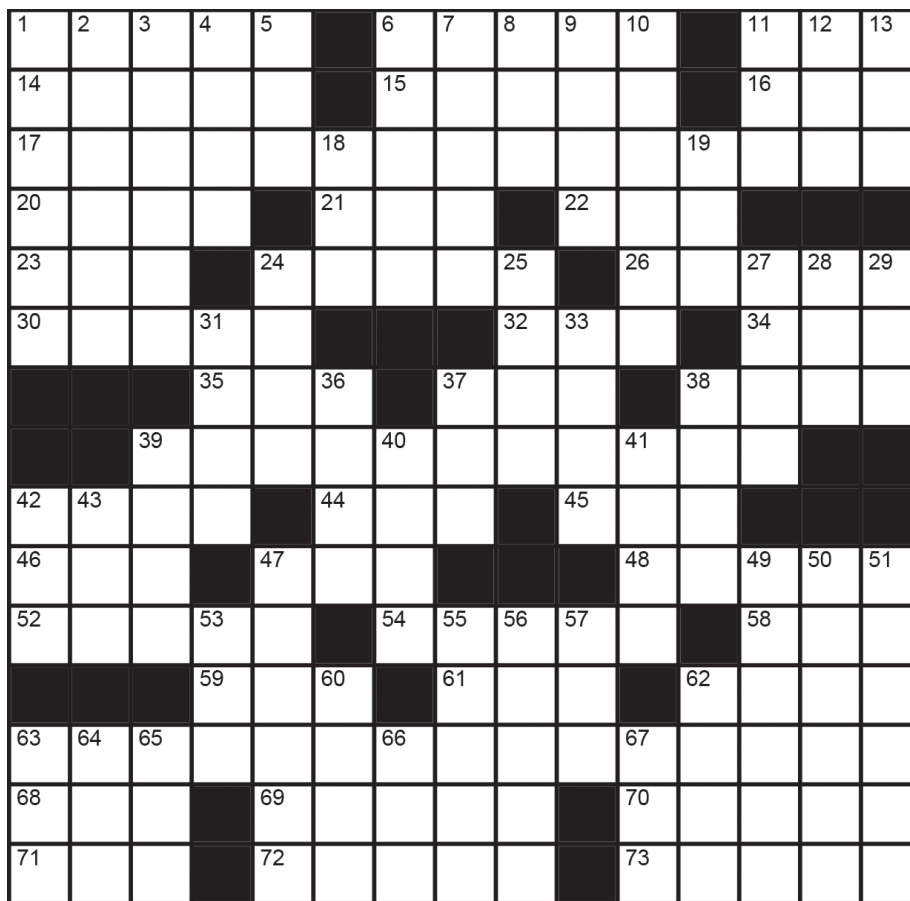
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- 1. Mrs. Evan Bayh
- 6. Strikebreakers
- 11. Animation still
- 14. Wacky
- 15. Bird call
- 16. In the past
- 17. Start of inspirational quote
- 20. Spanish ayes
- 21. Fashion Mall's Taylor
- 22. Safari sight
- 23. MashCraft Brewing letters
- 24. Comedy duo: ___ & Link
- 26. WASP part
- 30. *Gandhi* role
- 32. Indiana State Rep. Slager
- 34. \$, for short
- 35. Tide type
- 37. Wrigley field?
- 38. Gunk
- 39. Writer of 17- and 63-Across
- 42. Not shallow
- 44. Big name in trucks
- 45. Marks, as a ballot
- 46. Old Hoosier Dome sponsor
- 47. WTTV forensic drama
- 48. Overfill
- 52. Whale of a guy?
- 54. 1 or 2
- 58. MCL dessert choice
- 59. Clunker
- 61. Bolt holder
- 62. Implore
- 63. End of quote
- 68. Henry ___ Summer
- 69. European destination from Indy on a nonstop Delta flight
- 70. Sleep sound
- 71. Tennis do-over
- 72. Sean Ash weather word
- 73. Spud



DOWN

- 1. Subs at the Indianapolis Bridge Center
- 2. Still green
- 3. Prepares to have one's tongue depressed
- 4. Opposed
- 5. "New" prefix
- 6. Civic Theatre play part
- 7. Colts crowd noise
- 8. Put on WFMS
- 9. Boast
- 10. *This Is* ___ *Tap*
- 11. IND transport
- 12. UIndy psych class topic
- 13. Cattle call
- 18. Scrooge cry
- 19. St. Joseph Catholic Church sister
- 24. Slick Leonard's July birthstone
- 25. Hoodlum
- 27. Wise one
- 28. Joseph Addai's alma mater
- 29. Matchless
- 31. Harvest

- 33. Visa rival
- 36. Grocery sacks
- 37. Greenwood Park Mall store with health supplements
- 38. Charge
- 39. Purdue stat class average
- 40. Surrounded by
- 41. "___ we forget..."
- 42. Julius Erving's nickname
- 43. Green start
- 47. Patsies
- 49. Yank from the ground
- 50. Numerical symbol
- 51. Birdseed holder
- 53. Hubbub
- 55. Kind of navel
- 56. Candlewood Suites patron
- 57. Rundgren: "Hello ___ Me"
- 60. Hoosier Park Casino action
- 62. IU anatomy class bone
- 63. Ind. neighbor
- 64. Butler alumni newsletter word
- 65. Center Grove HS volleyball match part
- 66. Lode load
- 67. Hammond's winter hrs.



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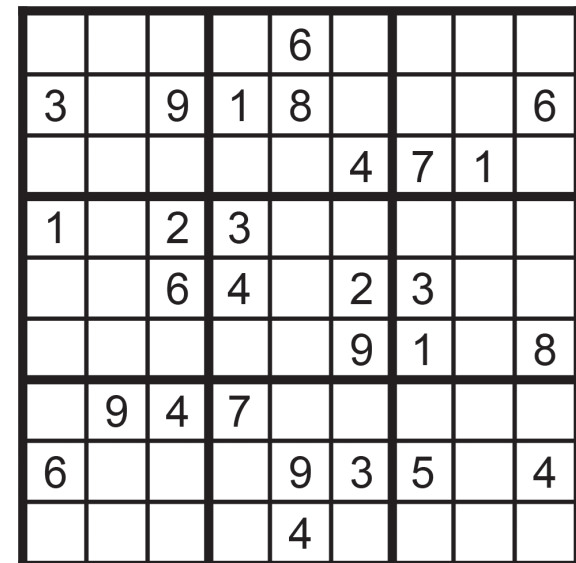
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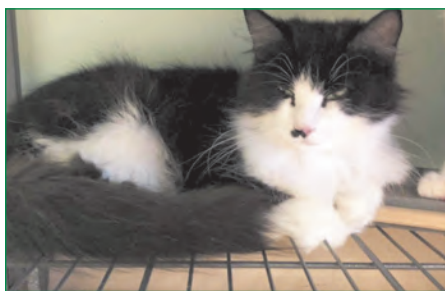
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Why parasites are a threat to all cats, even those living inside your home

DR. JEFF'S MEWSINGS

By Dr Jeff Ambrous

Parasites are an important thing to think about when caring for your pet cat. Outdoor cats can be exposed to any number of internal and external parasites. Therefore, it is a very good idea to have a stool sample checked by your vet during routine examinations. However, what many people do not think about is the risk for your indoor cat and the need to do routine stool exams for them as well.

There are several types of parasites that can infect your cat. Tapeworms are transmitted by fleas; those little pests have a way of getting into almost any home from

time to time. Other worms can be transmitted by droppings from mice and other pests. In addition to that, the eggs of most worms are just out there in the environment and can be easily tracked into the home to expose your indoor cat.

For these reasons, it is very important to have your indoor cat routinely checked by your veterinarian. Do not forget to bring a stool sample with you.



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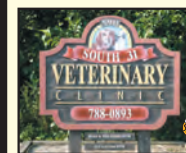


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Dey Dommer used to treat patients at Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health. Now, the former nurse is an owner and baker for New Dey Rising Café and Bakery in Beech Grove. "I heal people with food," she said. New Dey Rising opened Aug. 30 and offers homemade baked goods from Dommer's own great-great-grandmother and great-aunts from Germany. Besides traditional baked goods, Dommer bakes Swedish wedding cakes that consist of crushed pineapple, pecans and walnuts with a cream cheese frosting to hold the moisture in (a delicious option taste-tested by this writer) that goes well with your choice of mild, medium or dark coffee.

Paintings for sale from local artists adorn the walls. Various food and drinks from local businesses participating in area farmers markets are available for purchase:



Cinnamon buns are a popular choice for breakfast at New Dey Rising

fresh eggs from free-range chickens, bone broth, banana butter, preserves and Keto and gluten-free products. Lunch items are also available, including pasta salads, fresh sandwiches and adult "lunchables." Dommer will start making soup as temperatures drop. New Dey Rising is open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, visit [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/New-Dey-Rising-Café-and-Bakery): New-Dey-Rising-Café-and-Bakery or email Dey Dommer at newdeyrisingcafe@gmail.com.

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Compiled by Nancy Price



Greenwood has kicked off the Movies in the Park Series, held at the Amphitheater in Craig Park. The next movie, The Addams Family, will be shown Oct. 11. (Submitted photo)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For a complete listing of events, please go to [ss-times.com/category/night-day](https://www.southside-times.com/category/night-day).

Fairgrounds, 250 Fairground St. | Info: For tickets or more information, contact Sharon at (317) 690-5020 or Cora at (317) 862-5262.

BEECH GROVE

Weekly Wednesday Dinner • Hornet Park hosts free dinner for families every Wednesday. | When: Sept. 25, dinner at 5:30 p.m.; activities start at 6 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center, 5245 Hornet Ave. | Info: (317) 803-9086; hornet-parkcommunitycenter.com.

HPCC Safety Series: Student Empowerment • Learn techniques for dealing with difficult situations that students often face. Includes dinner. \$5 per person. | When: Sept. 30, dinner at 5:30 p.m.; program is from 6-8 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center, 5245 Hornet Ave. | Info: (317) 803-9086; hornetparkcommunitycenter.com.

FRANKLIN

2019 Nimble Thimbles Quilt Show • Over 200 quilts on display; an old-fashioned quilting bee. Bee-sew inspired; quilts surround you with love, beauty and warmth. Show times are as follows: Friday, Sept. 20: 4-8:30 p.m. Special Friday event: hors d'oeuvres at 6 p.m. and speaker Deb Strain, top moda designer, artist and quilter at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Special Saturday events: mini-demonstrations every hour on the hour. Weekend pass: \$10 in advance; \$12 at the door; day pass (Saturday only): \$5; children under 12 are free. | When: Sept. 20, 4-8:30 p.m.; Sept. 21, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. | Where: Scott Hall, Johnson County

GARFIELD PARK

Indy Story Slam • Storytelling Arts of Indiana is partnering with Garfield Park Arts Center and WFYI to present six Indy Story Slams during its 2019-2020 regular season. The first one on Sept. 19 will be included among the attractions of the Garfield Park Biergarten. Fans of The Moth Radio Hour and similar spoken-word events all over the country can share their stories here at home or just come to listen and support other members of our growing storytelling community. Biergarten hours are 5:30-9 p.m. \$10. | When: Sept. 19, 6 p.m. | Where: Garfield Park Conservatory Dr. | Info: storytellingarts.com.

Bike Rodeo • This free family event includes a drawing for a free youth bike, helmet fitting, obstacle courses, a group bike ride, safety tips and rules of the road. | When: Sept. 28, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. | Where: Garfield Christian Church, 1751 Walker Ave. | Info: IMPD Officer Jason Hayes at (317) 327-6339 or Jason.Hayes@indy.gov.

GREENWOOD

The Cultivating Garden Club • Topic: "Plant Your Garden, Garden Your Plan." Speaker: Carol Michael,

WHAT'S GOING ON SOUTHSIDE?

Send your news & events to: nancy@icontimes.com.

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★★★★☆ • R • Drama • 2 hours, 29 minutes

The Goldfinch A visually stunning mess

MOVIE REVIEW

By Bradley Lane

The Goldfinch is a Pulitzer Prize-winning novel that was adapted into a film by screenwriter Peter Straughan. The novel is over 1,000 pages long and is densely packed with a multi-generational storyline. Needless to say, it is a daunting task to distill this Odyssey-like story into a feature length film. As a writer you have two routes in an adaptation like this: focus the story in the novel to its bare essentials and cut out everything else and risk disappointing fans of the book or make a nearly three-hour-long film and risk a lack of cohesion. The actual film lands somewhere in between these two and riding the fence like this ends up incurring the consequences of both styles of adaptation.

The Goldfinch chronicles the journey of a young Theo Decker as he deals with the trauma of losing his mother in the bombing of an

art museum in New York City. From staying with his affluent classmate's family to being taken in by his once absent father, Theo's life is in a constant state of flux after his mother passes. This instability leads him on a dangerous path of bad decisions and questionable associations. These decisions are paralleled in the telling of an adult Theo's story, where he copes with the trauma stemming from that fateful day in the art museum.

The most readily apparent element of the film is its jaw-dropping gorgeous presentation. The legendary cinematographer Roger Deacons lends his expertise to elevate an otherwise bland film. The first and third act drag immensely, but it never becomes unbearable thanks to Deacon's eye for slick lighting and beautiful shot composition.

Unfortunately, Deacon's presentation is wasted on a dull story and unremarkable performances. Besides the main child actor, Oakes Fegley, the performances feel as flat as cardboard. Specifically, Ansel Elgort's role demands a high level of emoting that he can-

not deliver in the role.

More than bad performances and dull material however, *The Goldfinch* fails most at delivering a message underlying the story. Theo goes through trials and tribulations, but after all was said and done, I was left with an overwhelming sense of nothingness. The film leaves you with no lasting impressions, and ultimately, that becomes its fatal flaw. A film fails most when it fails to speak to its audience.

Despite beautiful cinematography, *The Goldfinch* fails to communicate any meaningful ideas in its lengthy two-and-a-half-hour runtime.



Bradley is a Beech Grove High School alumnus and has been enamored by film for as long as he can remember. He is currently in his third year studying at IUPUI, majoring in Media and Public Affairs with a minor in Film. Bradley can be contacted at blane2214@gmail.com.

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author of Potted and Pruned: Living a Gardening Life. New members are welcome. | When: Sept. 19, 6 p.m. | Where: St. John's UCC, U.S. 31 & Southport Road. | Info: Diana Williams: (317) 258-7916.

Rummage and Bake Sale • Large annual Rummage & Bake Sale. | When: Sept 21, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. | Where: Smith Valley United Methodist Church, 5293 Old Smith Valley Road. | Info: sharonkind-er1311@comcast.net.

Children's Concert • The Greater Greenwood Community Band will hold a free children's concert. From Disney fan favorites to classic cartoon melodies, this will be a concert that will appeal to all ages. This is a free concert open to the public. Free refreshments, balloon animals and temporary tattoos will be provided; plus, we will have a gift give-away! A special hands-on demonstration of the instruments begins at 3 p.m. | When: Sept. 22, 4 p.m. | Where: Surina Park, 100 Surina Way. | Info: greenwoodband.org.

2019 Perry Seniors & Friends Golf Outing • We will have 136 golfers ready to enjoy a day of golf, cart, green fees, lunch/dinner, prizes and education from our sponsors. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m., sponsors take their places at 11:30 a.m. and golf starts at noon. Dinner will start when the golfers come in at about 5:30 p.m. All monies earned at this charitable event are donated to Perry Senior Citizens Services, a non-profit organization supporting senior citizens in Perry Township. Call now to reserve your spot or sponsorship! | When: Sept. 25, shotgun at noon. | Where: Winding River Golf Course, 8015 Mann Road. | Info: (317) 783-9231; perryseniors.org.

Beech Grove Chamber Inaugural Mini Golf Outing • Our Inaugural Mini Golf Outing will include a food truck, bar, games, contests and prizes. Join us for a fun afternoon of food, games and networking. Cost is \$20 per player or \$80 for a foursome. This is an event for those at or over the age of 21. Registration is required. | When: Sept. 27; noon-4 p.m. | Where: Otte Family Fun Center, 681 Sheek Road, Greenwood. | Info: beechgrove-chamber.org/golf-outing.

Fifth Sunday FunDay • Free food, games, bounce house and more! All are welcome! | When: Sept. 29, 10 a.m. | Where: Triumph Church, 99 W. Broadway (corners of Broadway and Brewer). | Info: (317) 513-2251.

PERRY TOWNSHIP

Perry Township/Southport Historical Society Meeting • Our meeting will feature a familiar Southside name: Jack Christy with Christy's of Indiana Auctions will tell us about the auction business and answer your questions about auction items that you may be interested in selling. Our invitation is open to all who may be interested! Light refreshments will be served. | When: Sept. 24, 7 p.m. | Where: Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Ave., room 210. | Info: (317) 789-3979; gsbaweb.org/perry-township-southport-historical-society.

SOUTHPORT

Southport High School 40th Class Reunion • Join your classmates for your 40th class reunion. Cost is \$30. Register on at Class of 79 link.

When: Sept. 21, 6-10 p.m. | Where: Muckey Duck Banquet Hall, 4425 Southport Crossings Way. | Info: Bob White at (317) 220-2172.

WHITELAND

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Who are you calling an idiom?

GRAMMAR GUY

By Curtis Honeycutt

Some people take things literally. Kleptomaniacs take things, literally.

Literalists aren't fans of idioms. Idioms are phrases with figurative meanings; they aren't intended to be taken literally. Believe it or not, my friend, Byron, tends to take things literally; so, when I suggest we "paint the town red" on Friday night, he goes to his garage to get his paint rollers.

In fact, poor Byron really has an ax to grind with idioms, although, if I told him that, he'd claim he only had a problem with idioms. Idioms are designed to express a sentiment, feeling, or an idea. If I said, "Don't count your chickens before they hatch," I'm not claiming to be a chicken or egg farmer; instead, I'm suggesting that you shouldn't count on something before it has come into reality.

An idiom is a type of figurative language. The point of figurative language is to make your speech or writing more impactful or effective. Other types of figurative language include euphemisms, metaphors, similes, hyperbole, personification and – my favorite – puns. In fact, idioms exist in most languages. This isn't just another tricky English construction

that makes our language hard to learn.

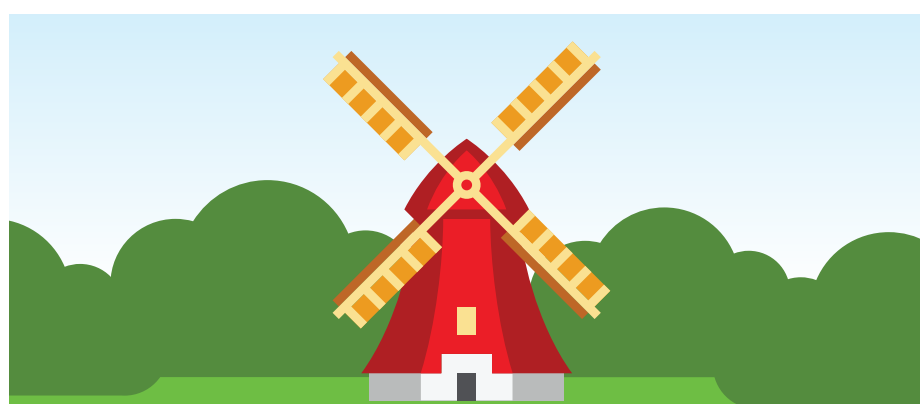
One of my favorite idioms is, "You can't judge a book by its cover." While I don't agree literally with this statement, its figurative truth holds up to scrutiny. We shouldn't judge people at face value; instead, we should look "under the hood," so to speak, and get to know them better before we draw any conclusions.

The only literal thing that costs an arm and a leg is going swimming with hungry sharks. As an idiom, however, something that costs "an arm and a leg" is merely incredibly expensive. The same idea goes for "robbing the cradle." You're not stealing a baby, but instead, when someone says this, she means that you are marrying someone significantly younger than you.

Idioms are a dime a dozen, so forgive me if I rubbed you the wrong way; please don't get bent out of shape. Sometimes it's hard to wrap your head around figurative language.



Curtis Honeycutt is an award-winning syndicated humor columnist. Connect with him on Twitter (@curtishoneycutt) or at curtishoneycutt.com.



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Nimble Thimble Quilt Club invites new members

FEATURE

By Nancy Price

Quilting has become popular again in recent years. People are discovering quilting not only provides a creative outlet, but may also relieve stress, boost concentration and help to lower blood pressure. Joining a quilt club also helps to connect people with a common interest.

The Nimble Thimble Quilt Club is a service-oriented group and member of the Johnson County Homemakers.

"Nimble Thimble members are a friendly, welcoming, generous and gracious group who enjoy sharing their creative skills such as quilting, sewing and other needlework," said Jan Haley, member and past president of Nimble Thimble. Nimble Thimble Quilt Club welcomes all – no matter race, creed, age, skill, male or female. I always encourage others to join because not only are we a creative outlet for their craft, but it is an opportunity to meet others with the same passion, giving one an opportunity to learn from each other."

Members have many prospects to give back, both to their local community and nationwide. Examples of service projects include generating quilts for veterans, the homeless and those in hospice, sewing baby items for WIC, creating fleece blankets and duffle bags for KidsPeace, making pillows and pillowcases for Turning Point Crisis Center and producing adult bibs, walker bags and quilts for Johnson County Senior Services.

Nimble Thimble also offers a quarterly basic quilters workshop, typically taught by one or more seasoned quilters. "The topic of the workshop is determined by members of the club who want more information on such things as binding a quilt, squaring a block, paper piecing, applique and other skills of quilting. The workshops are offered

at no cost," Haley said.

Members of the club also make time for fun, whether going on "shop hops" to shop for materials in quilting shops throughout Indiana and Kentucky while winning prizes for participating, attending the Johnson County Homemakers May Day Breakfast and Holiday Happenings, or going on a bus trip to Missouri Star Quilt Company.

"Nimble Thimble has an annual Christmas Party at Central Nine – "To the Nines," Haley said. "We play games, sing songs, exchange homemade gifts, donate an item to a designated charity and eat a great buffet prepared by the students. It is a wonderful way to celebrate the holidays."

Nimble Thimble meets at the Johnson County Extension Office on the first Friday of each month. For more information, please visit sites.google.com/view/nimble-thimble-quilt-club/home.

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INFO: Sharon at (317) 690-5020 or
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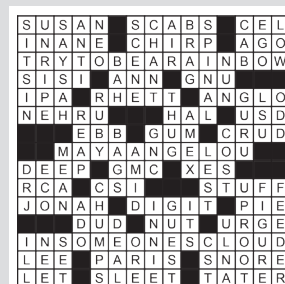
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OBITUARIES

Georgia Ethel Walden Belcas

Georgia Ethel Walden Belcas, 89, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 13, 2019, after a long battle with dementia. Georgia was born in London, KY, April 6, 1930, the daughter of George and Cecil Nora Walden. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 64 years; Theodore Belcas; her granddaughter, Kerri Anne Belcas Walker; son-in-law, David Weltich; four sisters and two brothers. She is survived by her children, Gail (Charlie) Gill, Gloria Weltich, David (Karen) Belcas, Dianne (Joe) Armstroff, Ted (Suzanne) Belcas, Amy (Bryan) Alexander and Bryan Belcas; 17 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. A celebration of life service will be held Oct. 6, 1 p.m. at Compass Park, 690 State St., Franklin. Arrangements were entrusted to G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

Wanda Ann Beretta

Wanda Ann Beretta, 85, died Sept. 15, 2019. A mass of Christian burial will be conducted Sept. 20, 12:30 p.m. at St. Jude Catholic Church, 5353 McFarland Road, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the time of the mass. She will be buried in Calvary Cemetery.

Colleen Gaskins

Colleen Gaskins, 64, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 13, 2019. All services are private. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to The Cremation Society of Indiana, 4115 S. Shelby St., Indianapolis, 46227.

Joseph Brooks Heath

Joseph Brooks Heath, 69, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 9, 2019. All services will be private. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Simplicity Funeral and Cremation Care, Indianapolis Chapel.

Isaac Herald

Isaac Herald, 28, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 9, 2019. All services are private. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to The Cremation Society of Indiana, 4115 S. Shelby St., Indianapolis, 46227.

Charles L. Hoagland

Charles L. Hoagland of Bargersville died Sept. 9, 2019. He was 90 years old. Charles was born in Lafayette, IN on June 22, 1929 to the late George Ray and Mae (Bucher) Hoagland. After graduating from New Richmond High School, Charles eventually joined the military, serving in the United States Army during the Korean War. Charles was a lifelong farmer, a member of St. John's United Church of Christ and was a 4-H leader for over 35 years. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by one brother, Ralph Blue. Charles is survived by his wife, Louise (Dunker) Hoagland; children, Mary Carter (Rodney), Martha Forrest, Violet Thomas (Danny) and George Hoagland (Theresa); sisters, Emma Perkins, Betty Bruner and Mary Jackson; as well as five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Services for Charles L. Hoagland were held Sept. 14 at St. John's United Church of Christ, 7031 S. East St., Indianapolis. Burial was in Tippecanoe Memory Gardens. Arrangements were entrusted to Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service and Crematory-Greenwood Chapel.

Geraldine E. Johnson

Geraldine E. "Gerri" Johnson, 86, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 10, 2019. She was born April 13, 1933 in Indianapolis to the late Martin and Ellen (Grubbs) Kindler. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence Johnson; daughter, Becky; great-grandson, Zack; and sisters, Kathryn and Mary Lou. Gerri is survived by sons, David (Debbie) Johnson, Johnny Johnson, Randy (Nancy) Johnson and Jeffrey (Brenda) Johnson; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and brothers, Chuck, Bill and Ralph. Visitation was held on Sept. 15 at G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home, 1605 S. State Road 135 and Olive Branch Road. Gerri was buried in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Gwendolyn B. Jones

Gwendolyn B. Jones, 77, of Greenwood, formerly of French Lick, IN, died Sept. 10, 2019. She was born Aug. 7, 1942, the daughter of the late Jon and Doris (Friezschke) Wood. Gwen enjoyed mushroom hunting and winter camping. She was known as a "pyromaniac" and "cookie monster!" She was preceded in death by her brothers, Dennis Wood and Jon Wood. Gwen is survived by her husband of 49 years, Lloyd H. Jones; children, Sandy (Tom) McKnight, Becky Boyd (David Passmore), Eric Bodenheimer and Jeff (Audrey) Jones; grandchildren, Greg Browning, Justin Jones, Chad Foster, Justin Boyd, Matthew Hamilton, Martin Boyd, Kurtis Schnepf, Kara Jones, Desiree Jones, Haylee Boyd, Nick Jones, Steven Moffatt and Sawyer Moffatt; 13 great-grandchildren; and brothers, Mike Wood, Tim Kaiser and Brian Friezschke. Visitation was held Sept. 13 at 2:30 p.m. at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home, 1605 S. State Road 135, Greenwood. Gwen was buried in Greenwood Cemetery immediately following the service.

Harry Robert Matejka

Harry Robert Matejka, 71, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 6, 2019. Survivors include his children, Adrian Matejka, Natasha (Kirk) Carpenter and Rik Harris; grandchildren, Deshea Carpenter-Matejka, Keshawn Matejka, Jasmin Harris, Dakota Harris and Marley Matejka; and a sister, Betty Matejka. Family and friends gathered for a celebration of life service Sept. 13 at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory, 481 W. Main St. Greenwood.

Barbara Mitchell

Barbara Helen Mitchell, 77, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 13, 2019. She was born Sept. 24, 1941 in Beverly, MA to the late Charles and Francis Thibedeau. She was a 12-year breast cancer survivor. She enjoyed being outside and was affectionately known as "the porch lady" by her neighbors. Barbara will be remembered for her love of being around those that she loved; especially cooking meals and having family over to enjoy them. She is survived by her husband, Denton "Mitch" Mitchell; her five children, William "Bill" Driscoll (Beverly), Ramona Driscoll (Debra Price), Cheryl Ann Brousseau (Jim), Steve Mitchell (Kim) and Bobby Jo Reynolds; her two sisters, Shirley White and Donna Field; as well as her 10 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren. Visitation will be held Sept. 19 from 5-7 p.m. at Oakley-Hammond Funeral Home, 5342 E. Washington St., Indianapolis.

**Oswin Fernando Ortiz**

Oswin Fernando Ortiz, 17, died Sept. 11, 2019. He was born Feb. 2, 2002 in Indianapolis. Oswin was a junior at Perry Meridian High School. He enjoyed playing football, lifting weights and keeping fit. He liked nature and finding bugs. He was preceded in death by an uncle, Sergio Humberto Zivec. He is survived by his parents, Oswin F. Ortiz and Patricia Y. Zivec-Ortiz; his maternal grandparents, Rosalinda Zivec and Sergio Horacio Zivec; his paternal grandparents, Fernando Ortiz and Blanca Ortiz; his brother and sister, Lesley Y. and Dominic R. Ortiz; his maternal aunts, Stephanie Zivec and Belinda Maldonado; his paternal aunt, Arely S. Ortiz; and his uncle, Jesus H. Zivec. He is also survived by numerous extended family and close friends. Services were held Sept. 17 in Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremation Services.

**Joseph Angelo Purichia**

Joseph Angelo Purichia died Sept. 6, 2019. Joe was born to the late Angelo and Josephine Purichia. Joe graduated from George Washington High School in 1962. He graduated from Butler University with a bachelor's degree, later returning to obtain a master's degree. Joe obtained his counseling degree from Indiana University. Joe taught biology, served as a coach and counselor at various high schools. He completed his career at Washington High School as a director of guidance in Washington, IN. Joe was a member of the Roberts Park United Methodist Church. Joe is preceded in death by his brothers, Bill, Nick and Spiro; and his sister, Nula. He is survived by his wife, Janet (Mitchell); son, Jeffery Purichia (Terri); daughter, Heather Purichia Malin (Greg); four granddaughters, Maggie, Anna and Grace Purichia and Lily Malin; brothers, Michael, Carol and Steve; and one sister, Catherine. Visitation was held at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service and Crematory-Greenwood Chapel, 481 W. Main St., Greenwood, Sept. 15. A funeral service was held Sept. 16 at Roberts Park United Methodist Church, 401 N. Delaware St. Indianapolis. Joe was buried in Washington Park North Cemetery.

Gerald Joseph Schuster

Gerald Joseph Schuster, 82, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 14, 2019. He was born July 2, 1937 in Indianapolis to the late Theodore Joseph Schuster and Helen Elizabeth (Schott) Schuster Sander. Gerald graduated from Sacred Heart High School, class of 1956. He served in the United States Air Force and was a firefighter with the Indianapolis Fire Department for 21 years, working at stations 17 and 29. He was a member of the Firefighters Union and the American Legion Post 355. He was preceded in death by his parents; and brothers, Bernard, Thomas and Richard Schuster. Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Niehaus Schuster; daughters, Karen (David) Westerfield, Nancy (Brett) Saksa and Lisa (Brian) Christopher; siblings, Mary Ellen Butler, Margie Cahill, Betty McPherson and David (Marsha) Sander; eight grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. Services were held Sept. 18 in Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremation Service. A private family burial was held after service in Calvary Cemetery with full military honors.

**Donna K. Stocker**

Donna K. Stocker, 85, died Sept. 14, 2019. She was born Sept. 13, 1934 in Indianapolis to the late Joseph and Thelma (Harvey) Stocker. Donna graduated from Emmerich Manual High School in 1952. After graduating, she worked for the State of Indiana for over 45 years in various divisions prior to retirement. Donna was a member of the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion Post #88 Garfield Park, the Democratic Party and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, where she was a lifetime member of each for 67 years. She enjoyed playing cards with family and friends, bingo nights and traveling around the United States, most commonly to her favorite place, Sanibel, Fl. Survivors include her godchildren, Paul Pittman (Marci), Maria Pittman-Hughes (Stan), Daniel Pittman (Heather Schoolcraft) and Christina Pittman (Ted Wagner); great-godchildren, Nicholas Pittman, Danielle Hughes, Dominic Pittman and Paul Pittman; dear-friend, Marie Pittman-Oechsle; and many extended Stocker, Harvey and Page family members. Visitation will be held Sept. 19, 4-7:30 p.m. in Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremation Services, 1458 S. Meridian St., with a service at 7:30 p.m. Prayers will be said Sept. 20, 9 a.m. in the funeral home, with a procession to Concordia Cemetery for burial.



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For more information, call **(317) 300-8782**.

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William H. Thornburg

William "Bill" H. Thornburg, 90, of Greenwood, died Sept. 10, 2019. He was born Jan. 5, 1929 in Muncie, IN to the late Horace and Ada Bantz Thornburg. Bill was a graduate of Tech High School. After high school Bill began his career at Eli Lilly. He served in the Korean Conflict, joining the Navy on Aug. 25, 1948 and was honorably discharged on Aug. 25, 1952. When he returned home, he resumed his career at Eli Lilly. Bill married Betty Moore in October 1952. Betty died in August 1999. Bill then met Vickie; they were married in July 2002. He is survived by his wife of 17 years, Vickie Thornburg; daughters Connie Odom (Terry), Judy Fleener (Tim), Karen Green (Andrew) and Julie Long (Glenn); 18 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and brother, Richard "Dick" Thornburg (Ida). Visitation was held Sept. 13 at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home, 1605 S. State Road 135, Greenwood. A funeral service was conducted Sept. 14, 2019 at Northern Park Baptist Church, 598 N. Meridian St., Greenwood. He was buried in Crown Hill Cemetery with military honors.

Mary Sue Todd

Mary Sue "Sandy" Todd, 74, of Indianapolis, died Sept. 8, 2019. She was born Jan. 18, 1945 in Beech Grove to the late Mary and Marion Sanders. She was a member of Southport High School's Key Club. Sandy joined the Army after high school, serving in hospital administration. She met her husband, Bill Todd in the Army. Sandy worked at Citizens Gas and Coke Utility for 25 years in customer service, then became a map detailer. She worked on the suicide hotline and volunteered at St. Jude and the local YMCA. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and her puppies, Max and Barney. She was an artist using many different mediums to express her talent. Sandy was an avid photographer, taking many pictures and developing them herself. She loved her arts and crafts. She was preceded in death by her sister, Roberta Benjamin; and her brother, Charles Noble. Sandy is survived by her daughter, Amber Marie (Robert Buchanan); a son, William Charles Todd; and spouse, Amy Weaver; grandchildren, Ryan, Kathryn and Alexandria; and great-grandchildren, William and Luna; sister, Ginger Cain; and brother, Joe Sanders. Funeral services were conducted Sept. 13 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

Orval David West

Orval David West, 89, died Sept. 13, 2019 in Indianapolis. Orval was born to the late Arthur David and Ossie Marie (Miller) West in Helmsburg, IN. Orval was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He worked as a meter reader for IPL for several years. After medically retiring from IPL, he began working in the real estate industry in both Indiana and Florida. Orval loved cars: he was often known for the car he was driving. Orval was a member of Christ United Methodist Church for many years. Orval is survived by his wife of 60 years, Mima Jane West; one daughter, Cara Snider (Greg); two brothers, Ron West (Pam) and Roy West (Sally). A visitation will be held Sept. 19, 2-4 p.m. at Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care, 7520 Madison Ave, Indianapolis, 46227. A memorial service will begin at 4 p.m.

Roger Clyde Williams

Roger Clyde Williams, 90, died Sept. 15, 2019. He was born Feb. 11, 1929 in Miller, SD to the late Clyde O. and Nina Olive (Moore) Williams. He was a member of St. Roch Catholic Church, CWA and Pioneers of America. He served his country as a United States Navy reserve. He retired from Indiana Bell (AT&T) after 39 years of service as a lineman. He enjoyed his time spent with his family, fishing, camping, working in the yard and flowers, being out in nature watching the birds and tinkering around the house. He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Janice Williams; a brother, Mark Williams; and sister, Margaret Schults. Survivors include his children, Michael Williams, David (Bev) Williams, Richard (Maria) Williams, Jeanine (Vali) Ziedonis, Julie Williams, Cheryl (Gene) Gray; seven grandchildren, Brittany, Zachery, Corey, John, Hannah, Ethan and Seth; and two great-grandsons, Malcolm and Herbert. Visitation will be held Sept. 23, 4-8 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave. A mass of Christian burial will be conducted Sept. 24, 10 a.m. at St. Roch Catholic Church, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St. Indianapolis. He will be buried in Calvary Cemetery.

Obituaries are printed free of charge. Funeral directors are encouraged to send obituaries and photos to news@ss-times.com. Information received by noon Tuesday will be published Thursday, space permitting.

Bruce L. Bitler

Bruce L. Bitler, 67, of Beech Grove, cast his final fishing line on Aug. 17, 2019 during his annual summer vacation in Orr, MN. Bruce was born June 17, 1952 in Clinton, IA to Phyllis R. Wierema and Donald G. Bitler. He attended Fulton High School before proudly serving in the United States Army from 1970-1972. He lovingly welcomed daughter, Ashley Lynn, in 1977. Bruce enjoyed bartending at Howard's Tap in Albany prior to moving to Indianapolis in 1994. Bruce was then employed as a UAW Steward at Navistar in Indianapolis until he retired in 2009. Bruce is preceded in death by his father, Donald; his mother, Phyllis; and brothers, Timothy and Gregory. A loving and

devoted father and papa, Bruce is survived by his daughter, Ashley Bitler; and granddaughter, Makayla Victory of Chicago. He also leaves behind a stepdaughter, Rhonda Morris-Gengler of Moline, IL; siblings, Danny (Meridee) Bitler, Harry "Butch" Bitler, Steve "Merle" Bitler, Brian (Vicki) Bitler and Dawn (Rob) Snowden; as well as many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews, who affectionately referred to him as "Santa." A Celebration of Life will be held in Bruce's honor on Oct. 12 in Albany, IL. The American Legion will lead a procession at noon beginning at the Bitler headstone located in Lusk Memorial Cemetery. A luncheon will follow at the American Legion Hall #1079. All who knew and loved Bruce are welcome to attend.

Eleven buyer and seller tips for home showings

REAL ESTATE

By Dawn Whalen, Whalen Realty Group

Home showings are an important part of the home buying and selling process. It's an opportunity for a buyer to imagine their family and belongings in a new setting, and a seller to showcase the property's best features. When it comes to showing a home, regardless if someone is the buyer or seller, there are a few simple etiquette rules that should be followed in order to increase the likelihood of a sale.

For the buyer

1. BE ON TIME – This should be obvious, but many times potential buyers are late to showings. Homeowners are given a window of time to be out of their home in order for the buyer to walk through and being late can extend that amount of time. No one enjoys being asked to leave their home, even for a short time, which is why it's important to be on time; if there is a delay, it should be communicated to the buyer's agent as soon as possible.

2. SHOW UP – Everyone understands that things happen and sometimes appointments can't be met. If you're unable to make a showing you need to contact your agent as soon as possible so they can cancel with the seller. By failing to cancel, it is wasting not only the buyer's agent's time, but also the homeowner's time. It also can leave a negative impression on the homeowner if they're asked to leave the residence for no reason.

3. DO NOT USE THE BATHROOM – Sometimes us-

ing the facilities is unavoidable, especially if small children are present, but use a guest bathroom instead of the master or one connected to a bedroom.

4. DON'T TOUCH – This should go without saying, but do not touch the homeowner's belongings, such as pictures, collectibles, toys, etc. Do not move furniture around either, nor sit or lay on the bed(s).

5. REMOVE YOUR SHOES – This is especially important when it's rainy, muddy or snowy outside, but it is also a courtesy to the homeowner.

6. WATCH YOUR CHILDREN – If children are attending a showing, it's important for parents or guardians to keep a close eye on their movements. Children should not be allowed to bring snacks and drinks into the home, nor jump on furniture. Sellers may have cameras in the home and pass on an offer because their home and belongings were not respected.

For the seller

1. LEAVE THE HOME – It is uncomfortable for homeowners to be in the home at the same time as the potential buyers. If the buyers do not like something, they may be afraid to voice their opinion if the homeowner is present. Additionally, it can hurt the sale of the home if buyers can't look around and ask questions freely.

2. PLACE PETS IN CRATES OR TAKE THEM OUT OF THE HOME – Not everyone is into pets, and not all pets are friendly to strangers in their home. For everyone's safety, it's important to crate all pets or remove them from the home dur-

ing showings. If the pets are in the backyard, please make sure the agent knows in advance.

3. CLEAR OFF THE STAIRS AND HALLWAYS – The idea of a showing is for buyers to imagine themselves in this space, and that's hard to do when there's a laundry basket on the staircase or piles of shoes stacked in the hallway.

4. PUT PERSONAL ITEMS AWAY – For everyone's comfort and safety, it's a good idea to put all personal items away, such as, clothing, jewelry, mail, pictures and toys, to name a few.

5. ORGANIZE – Buyers will look in closets, cabinets and other areas to see how much space is available, so while it's tempting to shove everything in a closet, it's not a good representation of the space. The same goes for garages and outbuildings. Buyers should be able to walk into the space.

Showings are excellent ways to sell a home as it gives a prospective buyer an idea of what their life would be in that space. Sellers can do themselves a favor by keeping their home picked up and clean while it's on the market, so when a call comes for a showing, not a lot of work needs done. Additionally, buyers should be courteous of the seller's time and openness to see the home and respect the space while inside.



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How CarDon's 'Achieve Your Degree' program propelled an aspiring nurse

By CarDon & Associates

Hannah Payne feels destined for the field of healthcare.



"Taking care of people has always been something I've enjoyed, and it just feels natural to me," she said. "If I wasn't in healthcare, I honestly have no clue what I would be doing!"

Hannah initially attended Ivy Tech part time, completing prerequisites for the nursing program. But she ended up taking time off from school after the birth of her second child. When she found out about CarDon's "Achieve Your Degree" (AYD) program in 2018, Hannah gained the motivation and confidence to continue carving

out her career path toward becoming a registered nurse.

"I had been wanting to go back so when I found out about the program, I felt like it was the perfect time and opportunity," she said.

The AYD program is a statewide collaboration between Ivy Tech campuses and organizations like CarDon that offers free or low-cost tuition to employees through tuition reimbursement or financial support.

Hannah joined the CarDon family in 2012 as a certified nursing assistant (CNA) at University Heights.

"Working at University Heights has been such a blessing," she said. "It really is like a second home. Being able to build relationships with the residents and just make them smile or laugh on a regular basis is a gift. After seven years of seeing

them almost daily, it's hard not to think of them as family."

Hannah just recently got accepted to Ivy Tech's Lawrence campus. She is grateful for the AYD program allowing her to continue her education and grow even closer to her second family at University Heights.

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