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Franciscan Health celebrates Stump's career

Robert C. Stump, MD, is the 2017 recipient of the Franciscan Health Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Stump, a Greenwood resident who plans to retire this summer after 37 years of practicing medicine, has spent his entire career with Southeast Anesthesiologists. He served as president of that organization the past two years. He also is the medical director of blood conservation for all three Franciscan Health facilities and co-authored the transfusion guidelines used throughout the Franciscan Alliance and Indianapolis area hospitals.

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What's happening in the Indiana Senate?

The House of Representatives advanced State Rep. Cindy Kirchhofer's (R-Beech Grove) legislation to ensure the wishes of patients suffering from a serious illness are honored. The House Committee on Public Health is set to hear Kirchhofer's legislation that would add nine new opioid treatment programs across the state. The House of Representatives advanced State Rep. Dave Frizzell's (R-Indianapolis) legislation that would expand Hoosier's access to dental health care in rural and underserved areas. Learn more:

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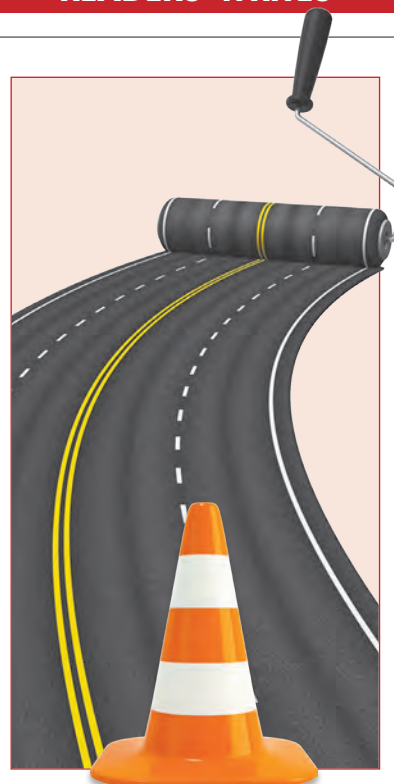
Roncalli's Krajcir selected to United Way Leadership Initiative

Leadership – Roncalli High School junior Stephen Krajcir has been selected to be part of the 2018 United Way of Central Indiana Youth Leadership Initiative (YLI). Each year, less than 30 students from

Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Marion and Morgan Counties are selected for the program, now in its 22nd year of operation. To be selected for the program each student had to complete a thorough application process that included letters of recommendation and an interview.



READERS' WRITES



More Beech Grove updates available

On Thursday, Feb. 8, I will present the State of Our City annual update at the Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce luncheon. This luncheon will be held at the Hornet Park Community Center beginning at 11:30 a.m. and I encourage you to attend if you are available. Many good things happened in 2017 and we are off to a good start for 2018.

One of the many good things in store for 2018 is more paving of local roads and streets, the lining of more sanitary sewers, and the continuation of fixing drainage problems that have plagued neighborhoods for years. We will soon be seeking bids and quotes for all of this work.

On Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Hornet Park Community Center, we will also host another Town Hall meeting to give everyone an update on what is in the works for our beautiful city, including an update on the progress of the St. Francis Hospital property. If you have questions or concerns we encourage you to attend.

Dennis B. Buckley
Mayor, City of Beech Grove

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Above, interior, with one of the several vehicles inside. | Right, Hinton's Body Shop, just a few days after the blizzard of 1978. (Photo by R. Hinton)

The past does not always remain as it was

HAUNTS & JAUNTS

By Rick Hinton

As we grow older we like things to stay the same, yet they seldom do. Sad, because I like the notion there's always time: time to take our spouses, kids or grandkids to a location and making the proclamation, "Here it is! This is where I made my mark! This was a big part of my journey!" There's not always that guarantee of time. It can slip away quite unexpectedly.

On Sunday, Jan. 21, just after 5 a.m., the Trinity Auto Body Shop at 2402 E. Washington St. was engulfed in smoke and flames. It was destroyed. A large part of my past life was also destroyed on that morning. It had been my father's body shop. For me, it became my awakening of the working world.

My father bought the building in the 1960s. It had been a laundromat on Keystone Avenue off of Washington Street. In its new incarnation it became—Hinton's Body Shop. For some 25 years my father made the daily drive to his business. He took pride in what he did and the reputation he garnered. And, in time, he brought his long haired, rebellious son (me) to share in the endeavor. I worked there on and off as a teenager and then, after returning from Oregon in 1983, began a more serious stint of self discovery. The skills I grudgingly learned are essentially responsible for what I do today. Working for your father is never easy, yet I carry fond memories:

It was a meet-up place, a social gathering, for not only my father's friends, but also my own (many of whom still are); it was a build-

ing where I gained girlfriends and relationships, and just as quickly lost them; during the Blizzard of 1978 I lived in an apartment above the Catalina Bar down the street and remember walking down the center of an abandoned Washington Street to the shop, where my father had somehow made it in; the upstairs office served for a week as my home when I was between apartments. The building and I had history!

The fire was reported at 5:15 a.m. IFD responded, eventually utilizing 17 trucks, four hours and thousands of gallons of water. Water at the street intersection alone was a foot deep. It wasn't safe to go inside, so IFD allowed flames to burn through the roof so ladder trucks could get water inside. Sewer drains clogged with debris and electricity was out to most of the neighborhood. In the end, my (Dad's) shop was gutted, destroying equipment, 7 vehicles, and a bass-boat. \$750,000 worth of damage. It's totaled! And so is a piece of my and my father's past!

Ghosts? Yes... ghosts of memories of a time long ago, but seemingly only yesterday. Ghosts of when I was younger and a future—faint and distant. Ghosts of when my father was alive and a building became his livelihood and source of pride and joy. Ghosts we entertain and will remember!



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.

The Power of Poison is organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York (www.amnh.org)

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Left, representatives of the Franklin Central High School Student Council honored Principal Kevin Koers. On behalf of the student body, they presented him with appreciation cards, a large lightning bolt for his new office and a National Association of Student Council super hero cape. | Right, Indiana Sen. Joe Donnelly (D) met with members of the FCHS student council last week in Washington, D.C. Pictured, Student Council Co-Sponsor, Leslie Appleby; Alyssa Lamping; Lydia Laker; Micah Eisman; Senator Joe Donnelly; Carley Divish; Emily Evans; and Student Council Co-Sponsor, Lisa Laker. (Submitted photos) | Below, Kevin Koers, pictured on his last day as principal, has served 17 years at Franklin Central High School. (Photo by Nicole Davis)



'Make it a great day'

Franklin Central High School Principal Kevin Koers moves up as new officer for secondary education

By Marianne Coil

Kevin Koers was one of those boys who burned bugs under a magnifying glass. As he grew up near the intersection of North Bosart and Michigan streets in Indianapolis, his parents gave him a microscope.

Educated at Little Flower and Holy Spirit elementary schools, he graduated from Scecina Memorial H.S. "To this day, it is still amazing the number of people you run across who have that Eastside Catholic connection," he said.

Transitioning this week to administrative duties within the Franklin Township Community School Corp., Koers talked about the journey that brought him to the post of chief academic officer for secondary education. The new job is equivalent to the role of assistant superintendent. He finished his tenure as principal of Franklin Central High School (FCHS) last week. Chase Huotari took over as principal on Jan. 29.

"We did not have a whole heck of a lot," he said of his family, "But I always thought I was the richest kid in the world."

His father, Raymond, an Indianapolis policeman for 34 years, worked two or three jobs to make ends meet. His mother, Roberta, reared seven children. Now deceased, his parents led by showing, "You put others before yourself."

Koers earned a bachelor's degree in Biology from Marian University, where he played basketball for four years. He also belonged to an ecology club that investi-

gated the wetlands on campus.

After graduating in 1976, Koers sold debit life insurance, which involved collecting premiums door to door for eight months, "a great experience."

A job with the city's police crime lab opened, and Koers joined CSI "before CSI was cool." As a forensic serologist, he started his first week by collecting brain matter from a crime scene.

Family and friends encouraged him to be a police officer, so he could continue in the lab and qualify for a pension. But Koers said, "I've seen enough of this."

He began teaching Biology for the Archdiocese at Bishop Chatard H.S. The pay was unimpressive, but the message followed him forever – that he was in the education field to serve others.

Koers eventually earned graduate degrees from Butler and Ball State universities that provided him with the credentials to be an administrator.

From Chatard, he moved into the Indianapolis Public Schools to teach at a near-Westside middle school. Changing systems, he was hired as assistant principal of Decatur Central High School. "I learned a great deal," Koers said.

Working for then-principal Paul Kaiser, Koers found a mentor. "The forethought that went into anything – he was incredibly organized," he said of Kaiser, now the superintendent of Beech Grove City Schools.

In July 2000, Koers began as principal of FCHS. To sign his contract, he walked into

the corporation office in a converted ranch home. The superintendent, the late Dr. Elmo Carver, was waiting with the contract on a clipboard. After signing, Koers received his copy, and Carver slapped him on the back. He remembers Carver saying, "C'mon, boy, you don't know what you just signed up for."

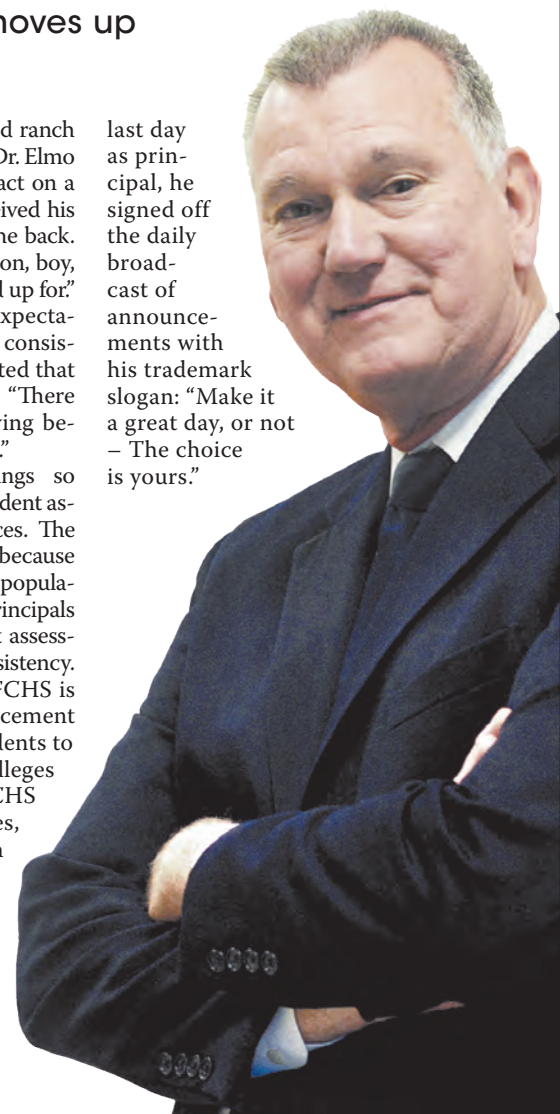
Koers worked to change the expectations of students regarding the consistency of discipline. He also requested that teachers develop a team concept. "There were teachers who ended up leaving because they felt I was limiting them."

Koers arranged weekly meetings so teachers could develop common student assessments and discuss best practices. The faculty also increased in number, because the school more than doubled its population. In his new job, he will help principals to develop skills, and to implement assessments that ensure district-wide consistency.

The big news in academics at FCHS is the success of the Advanced Placement (AP) program, which enables students to earn dual credits accepted by colleges and universities. About 500 FCHS students per year take AP classes, and 38 percent score well enough on AP exams to qualify for the credits, a result better than the statewide goal, Koers said.

Throughout more than 17 years at FCHS, Koers wanted the students to know he believed in them, and in their capacity for success. On his

last day as principal, he signed off the daily broadcast of announcements with his trademark slogan: "Make it a great day, or not – The choice is yours."



Send a smile

Perry Senior Services volunteers to deliver flowers to homebound seniors this Valentine's Day

FEATURE

By Nicole Davis

Perry Senior Services is determined to not have homebound seniors feel lonely or forgotten this Valentine's Day by offering a flower delivery service this year.

Those who know of a senior citizen in the community can make a \$10 donation to Perry Seniors and volunteers will deliver a bouquet of carnations and baby's breath to their door.

"I have had the idea for years, and I can't wait to see it happen this year," stated past-executive director Jame Riedeman in an email. "I am really excited that our volunteers will be running around on Valentine's Day, delivering smile

and flowers to our homebound seniors! What a great feeling."

Volunteers will get together on Feb. 13 during the morning Coffee Club to put together the bouquets: wrapping carnations and baby's breath in tissue paper. Deliveries will be made the following day.

"It's always fun to surprise somebody and then on Valentine's Day when so many have loved ones who've passed away, are ill or not there, it's a really nice surprise," said Peggy Bryson, Perry Seniors executive director. "If you want to do it anonymously, it will just be to let the seniors know they're loved."

Bethany Village is donating the flowers. Perry Seniors is taking orders now. For more information, call (317) 783-9231.



Southside News Quiz

How well do you know your Southside community?

Test your current event knowledge each week with a little Q&A!

1 Kevin Koers served as principal of Franklin Central High School for 17 years. What is his new title?

- ☐ A. Dean
- ☐ B. Officer for secondary education
- ☐ C. Assistant superintendent
- ☐ D. Accountant

2 How many new officers graduated from the Southport Police Training Academy on July 27?

- ☐ A. Five
- ☐ B. 10
- ☐ C. 12
- ☐ D. 14

3 What type of flowers will Perry Senior Services combine with baby's breath for deliveries to senior citizens this Valentine's Day?

- ☐ A. Carnations
- ☐ B. Roses
- ☐ C. Lilies
- ☐ D. Tulips

4 The Chin Baptist Association North America celebrated the opening of its headquarters in Perry Township on Jan. 26. What was not a part of this celebration?

- ☐ A. Prayer
- ☐ B. Gifts
- ☐ C. Song
- ☐ D. Ribbon cutting

5 Don Caraway started Don's Butcher Shop, 8028 S. Emerson Ave., to return to the methods of meat cutting that he learned when he first became a meat cutter journeyman in which year?

- ☐ A. 1952
- ☐ B. 1968
- ☐ C. 1974
- ☐ D. 1985



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BGPD receives Centennial Award

Support – The Beech Grove Police Department was recently named the recipient of the Centennial Award at BGHS. The award is presented by named sponsor, Eckstein Shoes, to individuals or groups who have demonstrated extraordinary service and support to Beech Grove City Schools. Pictured with Jim Coffman from Eckstein Shoes is Police Chief Mark Swartz and the high school's new School Resource Officer (SRO), Kelly Spivey.

College and Career Night at PMMS

Preparation – Join at Perry Meridian Middle School for College & Career Night on Wednesday, Feb. 7, 6 – 8 p.m. in the east gym. Colleges attending: Ball State, Butler University, Franklin College, Indiana University, Indiana State, IUPUI, Ivy Tech, Purdue University, University of Indianapolis and Vincennes University. Representatives from Army National Guard, C-9 Career Center, 21st Century Scholars & College Planning Strategies, Inc. will be in attendance. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Pizza and drinks will be served at this time. College presentations will start promptly at 6 p.m. RSVP to the Guidance office at (317) 789-4163 or aengelhardt@perryschools.org.



From left, Betty Popp, Principal at SSFC; Mr. Rob Rash, Office of Catholic Education (OCE); Mrs. Pam Wells, Teacher at SSFC; Mrs. Gina Fleming, Office of Catholic Education (OCE); Mrs. Mary McCoy, Office of Catholic Education (OCE); Mr. Ben Potts, Office of Catholic Education (OCE).

SSFC Teacher Pam Wells finalist in educational award

Excellence – Pam Wells, Saints Francis & Clare's Middle School Social Studies teacher, was named one of five finalists for this year's Saint Theodora Guérin Excellence in Education Award, the highest honor for Catholic educators in the archdiocese.

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1. Recruits stand in line for a final inspection prior to completing their oaths. 2. Chief Thomas Vaughn congratulates Japhia Johnson on her graduation from the newest recruit class. 3. Joseph Jacobs speaks about the drive and determination of his recruit class, which was supposed to have its first training day on the day that Lt. Aaron Allan was killed in the line of duty. 4. Jim Allan accepts the Medal of Honor from Chief Thomas Vaughn. The award honored his son, Lt. Allan, killed in the line of duty on July 28, 2017. 5. Indiana Going Blue presented the quilts crafted out of police badges for the family of Lt. Allan. 6. Allan was introduced to the crowd while honoring the family of fallen Southport Police Lt. Aaron Allan. Allan is a service assistance dog being trained by the Indiana Canine Assistant Network (ICAN). He was born three weeks before the death of Lt. Allan, and therefore named in his honor. 7. The Southport Police Department officers and Explorers pose for a photo following the Jan. 27 events.

(Photos by Nicole Davis)



Recognition & honor

Southport Police celebrates recruit graduation and promotions with a tribute to Lt. Aaron Allan

By Nicole Davis

The Southport Police Department and Southport Police Training Academy celebrated a special event on Jan. 27 at The Life Center at Southport, 4202 E. Southport Rd., with the graduation of its newest recruit class, a quilt presentation to the family of Lt. Aaron Allan, and awards and promotions for officers.

Twelve officers graduated from the 2018 class: Roger Barnett, Mark Jones, Michael Conley, Allen Crisp, Michael Durden, Joseph Jacobs, Bawi Lian, Quinten McPeck, Jordan Perryman, Brandon Pounds, Japhia Johnson, Jose Mejia.

Fourteen police Explorers, ages 14 - 21, were also pinned during the ceremony. This puts the department at 48 reserve officers.

"This academy was born out of hard work and mourning," said Jacobs to the crowd. "On July 27, 2017, Lt. Aaron Allan was shot and killed in the line of duty. He made the ultimate sacrifice, and ironically, July 27 was the first day of training for us. We, as a group, were tested immediately. We dealt with sorrow, heartache, adversity, ambivalence and most of all, we dealt with the unknown. How do we as an academy of cadets be there for our instructors, for our chief and for our department? We were thrown into the fire from the first day but even with this harsh reality, we were all determined to do whatever it took to represent our fallen brother."

Allan was one of the instructors for the first certified academy and he was the first Officer of the Year. His family was in attendance to watch the newest graduating class, then he honored with a quilt presentation from Indiana Going Blue. More than 700 law enforcement patches from across the country were mailed to Southport, with which Indiana Going Blue volunteers constructed four quilts, pillows and a teddy bear.

During the promotions part of the ceremony, the Officer of the Year award was presented to William Robertson, a medal of honor to Lt. Aaron Allan's father, Jim, and the Medal of Merit for Officer Rich Parnell who is currently undergoing treatment for Stage 4 cancer but still takes the time to train a recruit from his home.



Above, guests sing a hymn before the ribbon cutting ceremony. | Left, Rev. Mangkheng BiakCe, president of CBANA and of Emmanuel Chin Baptist Church in Iowa, cuts the ribbon after saying a prayer. | Right, guests wait in line as the door is opened to the Chin Baptist Association North America Center. They then went inside for a ceremony to celebrate the milestone. (Photos by Nicole Davis)

Churches coming together

Chin Baptist Association North America celebrates the opening of its headquarters in Perry Township

FEATURE

By Nicole Davis

Burmese religious leaders from across the country came together on Jan. 26 to celebrate the opening of the Chin Baptist Association North America (CBANA) Center at 6845 Madison Ave., in Perry Township.

In a ceremony complete with a ribbon cutting, balloon release, prayer and song, members of the Chin community expressed excitement about this center which will allow the group, consisting of nearly 40 churches, to better work together in their faith-filled efforts.

"It's very important day for us because we have churches in several states," said Sa Lal, general secretary of CBANA. "Some come from Washington state, New York, Georgia and North Carolina. They are coming here, together."

The new CBANA headquarters consists of a woman's department, youth department, mission board and ministry department.

"Before that, we just managed from home," said Justin Thang, the youth assistant director. "Ninety-nine percent of Chin refugees who are here are Christian, here because of Christian persecution. That's why having a faith-based organization is really important. All the pastors are the ones who teach us how to become a better citizen in this country, how to behave, how the Bible tells us to be a better citizen. Faith-based organization or religious organization plays the biggest role."

There are currently more than 16,000 Chin residents in the Indianapolis area.

The center office will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit facebook.com/cbanamedia.

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FROM THE EDITOR

Sue big pharma?

The fact that a growing group of Indiana cities and counties are planning to sue drug companies for selling prescription painkillers is shameful and misguided. We understand that the country is in the midst of an opiate epidemic, which has been an ongoing battle, but since "the fog of war" tends to thicken over time, let's break it down.

Local governments seek to punish an industry for selling its product.

On what legal grounds?

The city of Noblesville, for example, is claiming that these companies misrepresented the addictive potential of their painkillers. In other words, physicians, who are some of the brightest and most educated folks in modern society, were duped into believing opiates, a drug known to medicine since the Stone Age, is not addictive.

Don't buy it? We don't either. What we are sure of, however, is that the law is sometimes used for purposes other than what it was originally designed for. High profile court cases are grand, expensive soapboxes from which to make "a statement." Every word is recorded, analyzed and publicized.

Yet, the fact of the matter is, everyone already knows the opiate epidemic is real. And the only statements to be made, or rather, the only new statements to be digested by the public are threefold; governments can sue to pay for the costs incurred by the behavior of its own citizens, legitimate businesses can be sued if the products sold are misused, and finally, the judiciary system might be the government's new and expensive marketing campaign.

The kicker is that the case against big pharma, from a logical standpoint, doesn't hold water. If the courts decide it does from a legal standpoint, then a far worse epidemic lies on the horizon.

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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 mat-

ter how small and should be recognized? Email your "Stars and Strikes" to news@ss-times.com. Lori Barrett of Greenwood contributed to this week's Stars and Strikes.

★ **Stars:** To Jason Baker of Greenwood for returning military dog tags he found in an old suitcase purchased at a Goodwill store to their owner. Roger Kelty served in the Army, Army Reserve and Air National guard and has had these tags since 1974!

★ **Stars:** To City of Greenwood employees and crews for keeping the roads clear during this snowy and icy winter!

★ **Stars:** To Central Elementary on being recognized as the American School Counselor Association's Rec-

ognized ASCA Model Program (RAMP)! This award recognizes schools committed to delivering a comprehensive, data-driven school counseling program and educational environment. Central Elementary will be honored at a reception in Los Angeles, Calif., on July 16. Stars to Mrs. Trudi Wolfe, Counselor/Home School Advisor at Central Elementary, for her hard work to make this happen!

★ **Stars:** To Cory Wynn, band director at Beech Grove High School, for being named Beech Grove Promoters Club Citizen of the Year, and Dawn Garrigus for being named Promoter of the Year!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We're so busy watching out for what's just ahead of us that we don't take time to enjoy where we are."

– Bill Watterson

HUMOR

TOP TEN
"PICK-UP LINES" YOU
MIGHT WANT TO TRY

By Torry Stiles

10. You look nothing like your picture on the computer but I'm willing to squint a lot.
9. I have pancakes in my trunk.
8. I'm no Trump fan but your face makes America great again.
7. Wanna share an Uber?
6. You're not a cop, are you?
5. I'm vegan, gluten-free and want to share some kale with you.
4. What's your name? I need a new tattoo.
3. I told her, "Mom. I'm 37 and I'll have friends over if I want." So, you wanna come over? Mom's at work and we'll have the house to ourselves until 7:30.
2. You don't look like a psycho so let's give it a shot.
1. I bought donuts.



BELIEVE IT!

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

In New Jersey, spray paint may not be sold without a posted sign warning juveniles of the penalty for creating graffiti.

Source: dumblaws.com

AROUND TOWN

Lutheran High School
launches speaker series

Inaugural – Lutheran High School announced that on Feb. 9, from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., J. Douglas Boles, President of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Corporation, will be the inaugural speaker at the newly-launched Ruth Lilly Distinguished Speaker Series at Lutheran High School of Indianapolis. Mr. Boles will speak in the Ruth Lilly Auditorium at Lutheran High School on servant leadership and the importance of one's faith in the racing and business world, followed by time for questions from audience members.

Mr. Boles is responsible for the daily operations of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and all four world-class racing events at the facility – the Indianapolis 500, presented by PennGrade Motor Oil, the Indy Car Grand Prix, the Brickyard 400, and the Red Bull Air Race. As President of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Corporation, Mr. Boles oversaw the investment of over \$100,000,000 in renovations of the 108-year-old venue, the largest sporting venue in the world, and the implementation of the 100th running of the India-



J. Douglas Boles, president of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Corp.

napolis 500. A Butler University graduate, Mr. Boles also earned a law degree from Indiana University School of Law at Indianapolis.

The 2018/2019 Ruth Lilly Distinguished Speaker Series will include a second lecture next fall. The Ruth Lilly Distinguished Speaker Series is open to the general public, but reservations for this free event are required. Visit lhsi.org to register.

Franklin Central student
council announce
Snowcoming Court

Dance – The Franklin Central High School Student Council is proud to announce this year's Snowcoming Court: 9th Grade: Princess Cadence Neal & Prince Vincent Leal; 10th Grade: Princess Anne Gowen & Prince Joey Collins; 11th Grade: Princess Morgan Hackler & Prince Justin Tusing; and 12th Grade: Princess Delaney Raters & Prince Sagaar Barmada. Many activities are planned to boost school spirit through the week of Jan. 23 - Feb. 3, concluding with a semi-formal dance and court ceremony. Staff and students will also welcome new principal, Mr. Huotari! A special highlight will be placed on the "BIGGEST BLIZZARD CONTEST" for charity: students may pur-



From left, Vincent Leal, Cadence Neal, Joey Collins, Anne Gowan, Sagaar Barmada, Delaney Raters, Justin Tusing, and Morgan Hackler.

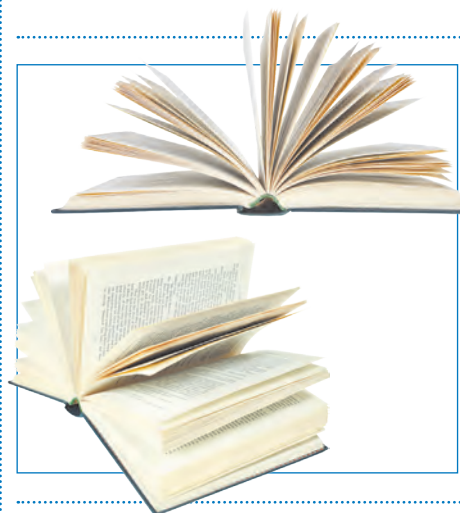
chase paper snowflakes at lunch and the class that creates the biggest "blizzard" outside their room wins with all proceeds going to the Riley Hospital Dance Marathon!

Freeman honors Bunker Hill
Elementary School

Senate – State Sen. Aaron Freeman (R-Indianapolis, second from front right) presents Senate Concurrent Resolution 13, honoring Bunker Hill Elementary School on its 100th anniversary, at the Statehouse Thursday, Jan. 18. The group met with Freeman earlier in the day and discussed the school's history and its positive impact on Franklin Township.

Franklin Central's
Melissa Fogg named to
USC Aiken President's List

Honors – Melissa Fogg, a Psychology major from Indianapolis, was named to the University of South Carolina Aiken President's List for Fall 2017. To earn this distinction, Fogg had to be enrolled as a full-time student and maintain a 4.0 GPA. Fogg is a graduate of Franklin Central High School. USC Aiken, a university in the University of South Carolina system, offers undergraduate and master's degrees to more than 3,500 students in 50 programs of study.

Nativity sixth-graders serve
Salvation Army

Donation – Sixth-graders at Nativity led the school's December service project and collected coats and other cold-weather items for donation to The Salvation Army. Nativity Catholic School is located in Franklin Township and serves over 400 students in southeast Marion County from preschool through 8th grade. For more information about Nativity Catholic School, visit school.nativityindy.org.



Meghan Mader and Noah Pitcher, sixth-graders at Nativity Catholic School, show some of the cold-weather clothing that was donated.

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• "I play Hurdy-gurdy, a European folk instrument. I play and teach that at the only Hurdy-gurdy workshop in the states which is here in Indiana." - MIKE

• "My hobbies these days are based around (the business). I've been learning how to use Photoshop. I've been playing a lot of guitar... I used to play in my own band, for a very long time: Gwen Stacy. We actually toured and earned a name from it." - BRENT

How did Brent and Mike do it?

BEST ADVICE:

Don't fall in love with your inventory. Try to have a good balance of stuff that is appealing to us but also have a broad spectrum of things. Some of the best advice I've received is home runs don't win games. It's the small sales that you make everyday that run your business as far as success goes.

WORST ADVICE:

People might expect you to do things a certain way but you have to try and do things your own way. I don't feel there's any terrible advice that's been given. Everyone pretty much wants everyone to succeed.

BEST BUSINESS DECISION:

Moving out of Southport. For so many reasons, in that building we were at a disadvantage. It's such a big improvement.

SECRET TO SUCCESS:

Trying not to get too far ahead of ourselves. Take each day as they come. Then, broadening our services and diversification is a big help for revenue stream. I want to drive more business to folk instrument stuff. We have more to offer than to just the guitar players.

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Indy String Theory owners Brent Schindler and Mike Opp are pictured with an Eastman E200M and hammer dulcimer, White River Dulcimer, respectively. (Photo by Nicole Davis)

From theory to business practice

Indy String Theory owners Brent Schindler and Mike Opp settle into their Fountain Square location

By Nicole Davis

When Mike Opp proposed purchasing a hammer dulcimer company to Brent Schindler, the idea was intriguing.

The hammer dulcimer, a percussion-stringed instrument, was something Schindler didn't know a lot about at first. As he learned of the range of music played on it, from "fiddle tunes to church music," and the communal experience that can take place when players come together, it was an opportunity the two couldn't pass up. The two friends combined their talents to form Indy String Theory, building hammer dulcimers, along with selling and repairing other stringed instruments.

"There are so many people out there trying to make guitars and that's cool, they do awesome work, but this is something different," Opp said. "Also there is an aging population upon the makers of the hammer dulcimers, so we've given ourselves a head start there."

Schindler is from Martinsville, having moved to Indianapolis in 2005. He spent two years at school in Minnesota, where he met Opp. Opp is from Jamestown, N.D., studying audio recording and later instrument repair in college. They went their separate ways, but a year after they graduated, Opp called Schindler with that business opportunity.

They opened Indy String Theory in the Southport area in May, 2016. That business quickly transformed to include a repair and retail side as well building hammer dulcimers.

"Southport was cool for a little while," Schindler said. "It was nice to have a place to work, a place that handled the wood shop stuff fairly well. The building we were in was in disrepair. The retail side was doing better and we needed more space."

"...we're trying to set ourselves apart that way by carrying some things that other people don't..."

- Brent Schindler

Just as they were searching for a new location, the spot at 1354 Shelby St., Ste A, Indianapolis, became available. Indy String Theory reopened at that 4,000 square-foot Fountain Square location in April 2017.

"It's improved, as far as foot traffic. Being around other businesses and venues

has helped out," Schindler said. "We're in a more centralized area as well, which helps to draw from around the city."

Opp and Schindler, both Perry Township residents, are still building instruments, as has been the goal since the beginning. It's the repair and sales side of the business that has grown the most - guitars, violins, hammer dulcimers, anything with strings.

"We try to do as much single-man operation stuff as we can," Schindler said. "There isn't anybody that I know of in the city that's really trying to push that stuff. It's usually the name brand. We have some name brands, too, but we're trying to set ourselves apart that way by carrying some things that other people don't, like the Nechville Banjos, a brand we've been carrying since the beginning that's made in Minnesota."

Settling into the neighborhood, Opp and Schindler said they are trying to become a part of the Fountain Square area as much as possible. They are members of the Fountain Square Merchants Association, as well as the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM). They are looking to not only continue to grow the company, but to continue adding more instruments that they can build to their repertoire.

Indy String Theory is open Tuesdays through Saturdays, noon to 7 p.m. For more information, visit indystringtheory.com.

PEER TO PEER

The taxman cometh and he cuttith the bill

By Howard Hubler

I remember the cold sultry night some years ago in December when the Washington RINO'S caved and accepted Obamas 39 percent maximum tax margin in exchange for a few gold coins. This was going to save the American dream as we knew it. Gross Domestic Product was going to rise, employment was going to jump up, and Blacks and Latinos were going to finally going to get their shot at the American dream! Black teen unemployment levels were a national disgrace, and someone thought that if we arbitrarily raised the minimum wage, businesses were going to go out in legions to be the first to higher these folks. I can live on a greater tax margin if all of these wonderful things would only come true.

Wake up now - it is a few years later, 2018. That economic desert at 1.7 percent GDP growth has miraculously disappeared over night. Now the country has a new president that many do not even like and in the face of all of the "anti Trump media crap," we as a nation are experiencing tremendous economic growth despite ourselves. GDP is tickling 4 percent, almost double from Obama, we are as close to 100 percent employment as we have ever been. The stock market is at all time records. Black and Latino employment rates are at all time records! And all the naysayers can say is the margins gave "tax cuts to the rich." You would think that even they would be insulted by this worn-out default line.

So, you be the judge. According to National Review Magazine tax charts, this is not the case at all. They took the total taxable impact at every income level and compared them to Obama levels. People that made less than 40k that properly filed for exemptions paid no federal income tax. Those properly filing in the 40-50k range saw their obligation go down from 11.9 billion to a 6.7 billion cut, a 56 percent decline! Those in the 75k-100k margin dropped from 123 billion to a 22.4 billion cut, a sav-

ings of 18 percent. The 500k-1 million level went from a tax of 205 billion to a cut of 23.9 billion, a 11.6 percent reduction. Finally, the hooligans that are the scourge of CNN that had the gall to make over a million dollars got a cut from 579 billion and saw their obligation trimmed 37 billion, or just 6.4 percent. I just cited just some of the tables due to space limitations, but there you have the gist of it, sports fans.

Well, your millionaire and billionaire neighbors are getting a pugnacious combined 61 billion dollar cut! Those rascals! Yet, those wage earners paid in 786 billion! Yes, this amount was divided up by less than 10 percent of American households. Yes, while it may be a goodly sum, they paid in all of the money! However, the

tens of millions of Americans that paid in only 223 billion mathematically will get a greater percentage cut, but a lesser actual dollar pay out. Years ago, I learned this in 9th grade at Arlington High School. They called it new math.

In closing, recall that these 500k+ annual income earners are the engine that makes this whole thing work. If you do not work in govern-

ment or in a stock market company, you probably work for one of these folks. If you want to stimulate job growth, go to the job creators. If Obama had only learned this some years ago, our nation would be better off for it today. High margins just cost years of 1.7 percent economic misery. Back to the beginning of the article, no matter how it is spun, those at the bottom of the chart paid NO federal taxes, or got reductions of 56 percent, 25.5 percent and 18 percent over Obamas plan. Those at the top got only 6.4 percent reduction. Somehow I feel that the readers of this paper get it!



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Upcoming chamber meetings and events

8 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Demaree Crossing Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting); Feb. 8, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., 1255 Demaree Rd., Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.

13 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Statewide Chamber Day at the Statehouse); Feb. 13, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Hyatt Hotel Cosmopolitan Ballroom, 115 W. Washington St., Indianapolis. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.

15 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (February Membership 101); Feb. 15, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., 65 Airport Pkwy., Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.

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

22 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Connections!); Feb. 22, 2 - 4:30 p.m., The Nest Events, Inc., 400 Byrd Way, Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.

28 - Greater Southside Business Alliance (Annual Taste of Perry); Feb. 28, 6 - 8 p.m., German American Klub, 8602 S Meridian St., Indianapolis. For more information, visit gsbaweb.org.

1 - Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce (Women Leaders Workshop); March 1, 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Barn at Bay Horse Inn, 1468 W. Stones Crossing Rd., Greenwood. For more information, visit greenwoodchamber.com.

10 - Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce (Community Fair); March 10, Beech Grove Middle School. For more information, visit beechgrovechamber.org.

BIZ WEB

Dealing With Form SPAM

By Andrew Angle

I don't recall that I have ever tasted Spam, the mysterious yet edible meat in a blue can. As for the online variety, I have had my fill. My Inbox now contains around 25,000 unread messages, plus plenty more in my spam folder. Today's improved spam filters have made life easier for email users. Business owners have a tougher time. Those who need to not only use email, but send email messages that get read, have a different type of challenge.

Everyone encounters the traditional email spam; website owners contend with another type that gets submitted through online forms. Form spam can be particularly troublesome to business owners who care about tracking visitor behavior and monitoring how well your site is meeting visitor's needs. Filling out a form gets counted as a goal "conversion" - a critical

metric. You want your numbers to be accurate so that you can make decisions for site improvement.

Nearly every contact form on the web will eventually be found by web crawlers, aka: "bots" and will be hit with automatic messages containing ridiculous offers from the seedy underworld of snake oil Internet marketing. The software to send thousands of spam messages through forms is prolific. Forms can be somewhat protected by using a "captcha" to require the visitor to read and solve a simple math problem or click a checkbox in a way that only a human is likely to figure out how to do. People don't like to type into forms anyway. The little quizzy thing is just one more action to think about.

Last year I decided to remove the captcha from some forms that I wanted to streamline for site visitors. I actually went a few months without seeing any form

spam. But, suddenly, there it was. After the first message went through, the spam bots recognized the form as being left without spam protection. Almost immediately we got messages offering everything from Russian brides to treasures of Nigerian princes, all of which messed up our conversion data.

Google's "reCaptcha" is probably the best out there, although it's not pretty. Others offer more options to fit in with your design. Just make sure your forms have this layer of spam protection.



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PERSONNEL MATTERS

The power of beliefs OR using your beliefs to create change

By Mike Heffner

Last month, I shared my optimism around 2018. Shortly after my column published, I listened to Danny Anderson, Pastor of Emmanuel Church in Greenwood, talk about having a breakthrough this year. He said one of the key factors to having one was to change our "limiting beliefs" and replace them with "liberating truths." He mentioned a book titled Your Best Year Ever by Michael Hyatt and I quickly ordered it. The book, along with Danny's message, reassured me that what was stirring in me wasn't crazy.

In the first week of the New Year, I challenged my Express team to find a way to make a real difference. Our theme was going to be The Best Year Ever. I laid out all the "bests" we have achieved and shared that I believe we could exceed all of them. I shared that we were good but not great. I challenged the team that we can do more to make a difference. I asked them to challenge the status quo of their thoughts and find ways to make an even bigger impact. In our business, we have the ability to change lives. But like any job, you can lose track of what you are doing and become focused on the grind. I challenged the team to have a true ser-

vant mentality, to want more and to have a sense of urgency as we serve.

It was liberating to think this way. As I listened to Danny's message, I realized our limiting beliefs is truly what holds us back and that we have to work hard to find liberating truths. Then I read the book. As I read, Michael laid out a 3 step Action Plan to reaching your goals:

- 1) RECOGNIZE THE POWER OF YOUR BELIEFS** - The things you say to yourself have a powerful impact on your thoughts. Change your thoughts and you can change your beliefs.
- 2) CONFRONT YOUR LIMITING BELIEFS** - The biggest reason we don't reach our goals is we doubt we can achieve them. To accomplish goals, we have to believe we are capable.
- 3) UPGRADE YOUR BELIEFS** - Reorient your thinking around a new liberating belief and start living from that perspective. Commit to living as if they are true.

Danny hit the nail on the head. In order to have a breakthrough, we need to change our thinking. But how often do we allow our thoughts to tell us we can't do some-

thing? So simple, yet we don't really do what Michael laid out. We may recognize what needs to change but we don't stick with it long enough to set new habits. The liberating truth is that we can upgrade our beliefs and allow experience to affirm them.

To make this The Best Year Ever, Danny and Michael both shared one simple thing- **your beliefs shape your reality**. If you don't believe in the positive outcome, then you will never move from your current place. Our habits and what we say to ourselves determine our thinking. Write down what is in your way. What things do you need to stop thinking and what do you need to choose to believe? Find a way around the obstacles and excuses. Each change you make can allow you to make a huge difference. My grandpa used to say, "Can't is a four letter word and grandma doesn't like us to say four letter words." I look forward to hearing about your best year ever!



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OPEN 4 BUSINESS



Don Caraway began cutting meat in 1968, still using methods he learned through his three-year apprenticeship to become a journeyman. (Photo by Nicole Davis)

Meat meets quality

Don Caraway returns to old-fashioned methods of meat cutting with Don's Butcher Shop

Compiled by Nicole Davis

Don Caraway went through a three-year apprenticeship to begin his career as a meat cutter in 1968, learning the best ways to cut all types of meat for optimal quality and freshness. Seeing the way the industry has changed throughout the years, he decided it was time to open his own butcher shop and return to those proven methods.

Caraway, a Franklin Township resident, started cutting meat in 1968 with Kroger Co., where he worked for 31 years. His wife was a nurse, and Caraway eventually decided to go into that field himself. He worked

as a nurse for 15 years before returning to cutting meat at a few different companies, always having wanted to open his own shop.

Don's Butcher Shop opened on Nov. 9 at 8028 S. Emerson Ave., in the plaza across the street from Franciscan Health. The shop offers 100-percent fresh, grain-fed beef, pork, amish chicken and fish. The meat is cut fresh every morning. Anything remaining at the end of the day gets discounted and put in the freezer, or donated to Gleaners Food Bank.

"We try to get everything processed minimally," Caraway said. "We hand-cut all of the chicken. We try to do everything like we

did in the past. With all the things I did with anatomy and nursing, cutting meat, body-building some, I learned the muscles and where they're located. A lot of meat cutters don't know where a brisket is located or sirloin tip. With experience in all three things, I know where that muscle is to get the best cut and right angle at cutting meat."

Caraway said by summer they hope to offer beer and wine that pair with the meats. He's also working on adding more varieties of meat, such as goat, lamb and fresh seafood. He will offer specialty cheese and fresh produce from local farmers and some additional grocery supplies.

Why did you open this business?

I was in the business about 40 years cutting meat. What I see out in the community right now, it's changed so much and is not agreeable to a customer. I wanted to open my own business to service the customer because customer service is the main thing. We only sell choice beef which is the best and I've cut for 40 years. We try to cater to the customers with any cut they might want. I started with hanging beef, so I can break beef and know where everything comes from. Customer satisfaction is the main reason I left

nursing and opened a meat shop. It's not for the money, but I make a living and the customer is usually pretty happy.

What did you do to prepare for opening your business?

I had to find a site first and remodel it, get the board of health in here to inspect everything. They gave me state and county no problems at all with cleanliness, sanitation. I worked since February last year until November to get the place ready to go, then ordered the meat from a company called Ideal Choice Beef. It's a real good company with

choice beef and pork that has not has the salt water added to it.

Who is your ideal customer/client?

Anyone.

How do you plan to be successful?

Customer service is the only way to be successful. Try to give what the customer wants and have a friendly atmosphere.

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

If I would be out of something, I have a one-day window to get it in.

BUSINESS

Franciscan Health Central Indiana selects chief nursing officer

Leadership – Agnes Therady, RN, MBA, has been appointed vice president and chief nursing officer for Franciscan Health Central Indiana. She oversees all nursing-related operations at Franciscan Health and leads a corps of nearly 1,500 nurses at hospital campuses in Indianapolis, Mooresville and Carmel. She succeeds Susan McRoberts, who retired in December 2017. Board-certified by the American College of Healthcare Executives, she has worked at several other medical institutions in Chicago and New York throughout her career.



Kyle Vaughn, customer, Bob Curl and Chief of Police Thomas Vaughn.



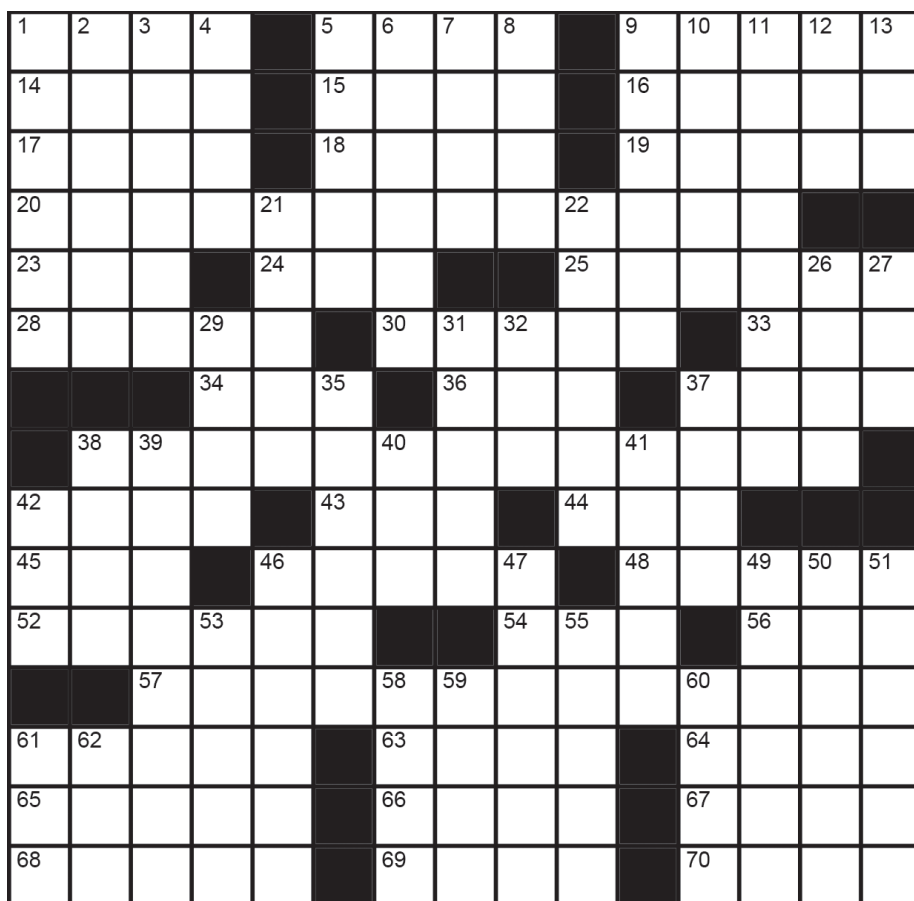
Rick McKim, Dawn Asbury, Charlotte Swanson, Joey Jacobs and Todd Craighead.

Southport PD enjoys free meals at O'Charley's

Service – The Southport O'Charley's, 6930 S. Emerson Ave., thanked officers for their service on Jan. 22 and 23 by providing a meal off of the \$9.99 menu, free of charge. "The Southport Police Department is a staple in our community ensuring our friends and family are safe," stated the company in an email. All Southport officers who dine in with O'Charley's while on duty will now be treated to a 50 percent off discount.

ACROSS

1. Job safety org.
5. Shapiro's Deli meas.
9. Kind of legend
14. Blackball
15. Indianapolis Opera solo
16. La Trattoria pasta topper
17. Duke Energy unit
18. Hang loose
19. Not fulfilled, as needs
20. Bypass a chilly journey?
23. Purdue Hall of Fame QB Dawson
24. Keyboard key
25. Positive aspect
28. Fantasy
30. ISO strings
33. Eric Holcomb bobblehead movement
34. Some Butler fraternity men
36. Commit perjury in Marion County Court
37. Former Indiana governor Bowen
38. Fishy pasta cookware?
42. ___-Dick
43. Valle Vista Country Club cotillion girl
44. Stop ___ dime
45. Ravens on a Lucas Oil Stadium scoreboard
46. "Old MacDonald" refrain
48. Salesforce Tower elevator stop
52. Straightens
54. Louie's or Peppers
56. Dyes Walk Country Club instructor
57. Pacers' leading scorer and an anagram of 20- and 38-Across
61. Egypt's capital
63. Stir up
64. Contented sighs
65. "Get ___ of yourself!"
66. Four six-packs at Big Red Liquors



67. Victory Field computation
68. Salon job
69. Like many of the movies at Heartland Film Festival
70. Johnson County Fair fowls

DOWN

1. US president's assassin
2. Barber, at times
3. Andrew Luck call before a snap
4. Opposed
5. Matt's Barber Shop powders

6. Pretty pin
7. Hoosier farm cylinder
8. Southside Cigar & Tobacco buy: ___ Mall
9. Takes over
10. Hindu royals
11. Meet by accident
12. Greenwood hardware store
13. Beech Grove HS tennis court divider
21. Take exception
22. Mississippi city where Elvis was born

26. "Go ahead!"
27. *The Southside Times* staffers, briefly
29. Local auto dealer Mohr
31. Cover story in Marion County Court
32. Brazilian city, familiarly
35. Cruel person
37. John Mellencamp's October birthstone
38. IPL fuel
39. Nowhereness
40. Flying geese formation
41. Prefix with red or structure
42. IU degree for a future CEO
46. Make secret
47. Center Grove HS orchestra member
49. Addictive narcotic
50. Parentless child
51. Sleeping spots
53. Ball State sorority members
55. Southern Bowl pin site
58. Ocean predator
59. Brickyard 400 engine sound
60. Short run
61. Dennis Beck product
62. Bonefish Grill tuna

Puzzle Time



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

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E S R
S C D G O
J P U F A K C
N I A T U C N C R
C A T R T E B D I A S
C C E Y E E L A U J E L S
G N P L W L N O I N O L B
Y C G E H L X T I L P S S
A M Z L H O L C O M B B L
M F N S T H O V I Y A R N
R G O R E T T U G L I A B
O R K S A H V B L A E A O
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P A O T E
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6 Bowling Terms

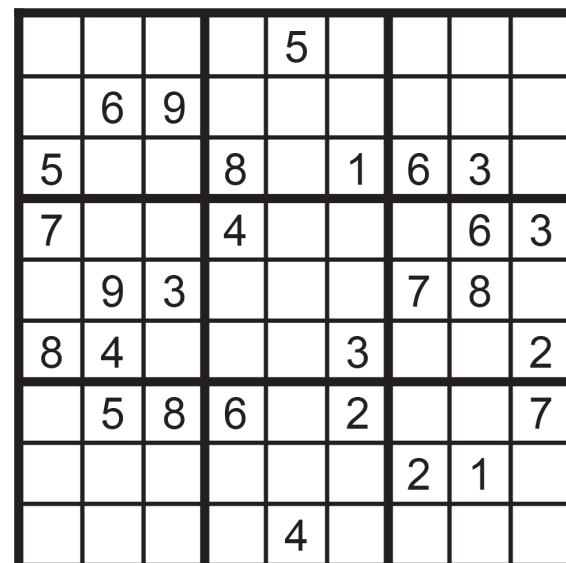
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Preschool Storytime & Craft @ Beech Grove

• Preschoolers and an adult can join children's librarians for stories and fun activities. | When: Feb. 1, 8, 15 and 22, 11 a.m. | Where: Beech Grove Branch library, 1102 Main St., Beech Grove. | Info: (317) 275-4560.

Family Storytime @ Beech Grove

• Families can listen to stories. | When: Feb. 6 and 20, 6 p.m. | Where: Beech Grove Branch library, 1102 Main St., Beech Grove. | Info: (317) 275-4560.

Southeast Indy Relay for Life: Chili Cook Off

Join the fight against cancer with Relay for Life of Southeast Indy. Cast a vote for the best chili with a donation. Come and learn about how this organization is serving Franklin Township, Perry Township and Beech Grove. | When: Feb. 10, noon - 3 p.m. | Where: Beech Grove Community Center, 5245 Hornet Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: RelayForLife.org.

CENTER GROVE

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

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

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

Toddler Storytime at Franklin Road • Toddlers 18 - 36 months and an adult can listen, clap, move and learn with Miss Karen. | When: Feb. 6, 13, 20 and 27, 10:15 a.m. | Where: Franklin Road Branch library, 5550 S. Franklin Rd., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4380.

Family Dance Party • Families and children of all ages can listen, move, jump and dance with Miss Kasey. Scarves and rhythm instruments will be provided for added fun. | When: Feb. 6, 1:15 a.m. and Feb. 7, 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. | Where: Franklin Road Branch library, 5550 S. Franklin Rd., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4380.



FOUNTAIN SQUARE

Play Date Preschool Storytime at Fountain Square • Preschoolers and an adult are invited for stories, songs, fingerplays and rhymes following by playtime at the library. | When: Feb. 5, 12, 19 and 26, 11 a.m. | Where: Fountain Square Branch library, 1066 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4390.

GARFIELD PARK

Job Center at the Library • The Library presents a free service for unemployed or underemployed individuals to receive one-on-one assistance to enhance their employment skills. | When: February 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24 and 27 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Where: Garfield Park Branch library, 2502 Shelby St., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4490.

Preschool Storytime on the Magic Quilt • Preschoolers ages 3 - 5 and an adult can take a trip on the Magic Quilt for stories, songs and rhymes that promote early literacy skills. | When: Feb. 7, 10:30 a.m. | Where: Garfield Park Branch library, 2502 Shelby St., Indianapolis. | Info: (317) 275-4490.

GREENWOOD

Sherlock Night • Channel a detective for an evening and figure out clues for an escape

room, try some logic puzzles, and enjoy watching the movie *Sherlock Holmes*. Ages 18 and over. | When: Feb. 2, 7 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St., Greenwood. | Info: greenwoodlibrary.us.

How to Cut the Cable Cord • What are alternatives to cable or satellite? In this presentation, Mr. Noobie (Patric Welch) will walk through options for replacing cable or satellite, discuss the cost of each option. | When: Feb. 8, 6:30 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St., Greenwood. | Info: greenwoodlibrary.us.

A Century of Reading Public Art Unveiling • In 2017 Greenwood Public Library (GPL) celebrated 100 years. In honor of this milestone, friends created a one-of-a-kind public art piece. This stunning steel sculpture will stretch 30 feet to the ceiling of our two story lobby and will spark discussion as it celebrates a Century of Reading at GPL. | When: Feb. 7, 6 - 7 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Public Library. | Info: greenwoodlibrary.us.

Valentine's Dance • Join for some dancing fun, with a DJ, party favors and refreshments! Tickets are just \$5 per parent/child couple. Extra guests are an additional \$1. Be quick as this event always sells out. | When: Feb. 9, 6:30 - 8 p.m. | Where: Old Greenwood Middle School North Gym. | Info: register.greenwood.in.gov.

INDIANAPOLIS

NARFE Meeting • Indianapolis Chapter 151 of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association will meet with all active and retired federal employees and their spouses welcome. Trent Theobald from the Carmel Police Department will speak on Personal Safety in Today's World. | When: Feb. 2, 12:30 p.m. The cafeteria opens for lunch at 11:30 a.m. | Where: Truman Room of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Indianapolis. | Info: narfe.org.

JOHNSON COUNTY

Drawing Figures from the Heart and Brain • Guest artist-in-residence Stephen Cefalo will teach a Winter Term class titled, "Drawing Figures from the Heart and Brain." At the completion of this course, he and his students will exhibit their works together from Monday, Jan. 29 through Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2018. To conclude the exhibit, Cefalo will present the lecture, "Human: The Divine Template." | When: Feb. 13, 7 p.m. | Where: Franklin College, Henderson Conference Room on the second floor of the Johnson Center for Fine Arts. | Info: franklincollege.edu.

AROUND TOWN

New adult basketball league accepts teams

Athletics - A new adult league is starting at The Basketball Company at the National Athletic Sports Arena, located off Franklin Road and is welcoming teams. Anyone who has a team they would like to put together and are interested, contact Eric Whitaker at (317) 410-9215 by messaging or calls for more information.



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AROUND TOWN



Indianapolis Hiking Club announces upcoming walks

Exercise – The Indianapolis Hiking Club invites any interested hikers to join us on the following walks on the Southside: Southport Park, 9:15 a.m. every Monday in February and March. This 8 mile hike meets at Derbyshire Road behind the Southport Police Station; Pet hike in Franklin, Feb. 13, 2 p.m. This pet hike will start at the Methodist Home Clubhouse, 565 Robin Rd.; Westside Park Greenwood, 8:30 a.m. every Saturday in March. This eight-mile hike will meet at Westside Park off Main St. For more information on these hikes, visit indyhike.org.

Friends of JCPL seek new volunteers

Library – The Friends of Johnson County Public Library are currently seeking volunteers to help move boxes of books four times a year for the quarterly used book sales. The Friends transport about a hundred boxes of books from the storage facility at our Franklin branch to each of the other branches for the Friends Used Book Sales. They are seeking volunteers to help load and unload the boxes before the sales. Those interested in volunteering should contact the marketing department by phone at (317) 738-2957 or email at marketingandcommunicationsdepartment@jcpln.org. For more information, contact Monica Harvey at (317) 738-2957 or mharvey@jcpln.org, visit pageafterpage.org. Learn more about the friends at pageafterpage.org/friends-of-thelibrary.



Frances McDormand in *Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri*. (Photo by 1996-98 AccuSoft Inc., All right)

Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri

Terrific performances in this Oscar nominee

MOVIE REVIEW

By Adam Staten

January and February typically bring cold, harsh weather, making even the slightest travel difficult and often leaving the roads around the Circle City resembling Swiss cheese. Another unfortunate thing those dreaded months are known for are the absolute terrible selection of films that begin popping up at the theaters. However, with Oscar nominations recently unveiled, a number of those films are still hanging around theaters. So, instead of subjecting myself to something that promises to be downright awful, I decided to check an Oscar-nominated film I missed the first time around.

Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri is the story of a mother, Mildred Hayes, struggling with the loss of her daughter, who was brutally raped and burned alive. Mildred, feeling the police department have not made significant progress in the seven months since her daughter's murder, takes matters into her own hands. She does exactly what the title of the film suggests – sets up three billboards outside the small town with a fairly provocative statement about the police department.

As to be expected, these billboards don't sit well with many of the people of the small town, especially the police officers. Despite the loud and even, at times, violent objections to Mildred's billboards, she refuses to take them down. However, while Mildred's anger towards the police and everyone in general is completely understandable, it begins to have unintended and unforeseeable consequences. Ultimately, Mildred must do the impossible and forgive in some form or

another because as one character in the film states "anger begets more anger."

If you're looking for a better acted film, you're unlikely to do better than *Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri*. There are absolutely no weak performances in the entire film. Frances McDormand as Mildred picked up a Best Actress Oscar nomination and Woody Harrelson was nominated for Best Supporting Actor. Both nominations are entirely deserving as they turn in notable performances. However, if Sam Rockwell, does not win the Oscar for Best Supporting Actor for his work here then something is terribly wrong. He really does steal each and every scene. If not for Gary Oldman in *Darkest Hour*, Rockwell's performance here would've been the best of the year.

Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri is an Oscar-nominated film boasting several Oscar-nominated performances. While, at times difficult to watch, the relevance of the story and dazzling performances are reason to check this one out. 4.5 out of 5.



Adam Staten lives in Perry Township and is a movie buff. Staten graduated from University of Southern Indiana with a degree in Communication Studies. He can be reached at adam.staten1@gmail.com

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PERRY TOWNSHIP

3rd Annual Perry Township Kiwanis Chili Cook-Off • Adult meals will be \$8 and include chili, cornbread, dessert and beverage. Meals for kids will be \$4 and include hot dogs, chips, dessert and beverage. All major credit cards will be accepted. | When: Feb. 2, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Where: Center United Methodist Church, 5445 Bluff Rd. at Epler Avenue. | Info: kiwanisperrytownship.org.

St. Jude Alumni Legacy Association Chili Cook Off • Join for the Inaugural Alumni Legacy Chili Cook Off. To enter, contact Whitney Carroll and indicate category to be entered: Traditional, Non-Traditional or Soup/Stew. Prizes will be awarded. | When: Feb. 3, 7 - 9 p.m. | Where: 5353 McFarland Rd., Indianapolis. | Info: stjudeindy.org.

SOUTHPORT

Family Game Day at Southport • Families and children of all ages are invited to drop in any time to make new friends while playing board games or solving puzzles. | When: Feb. 3, 12 - 4 p.m. | Where: Southport Branch library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Rd. | Info: (317) 275-4510.

Parent and Preschooler Yoga • Preschoolers ages 3 - 6 and an adult can enjoy the health benefits that yoga can offer during this program presented by the Greater Indianapolis YMCA. | When: Feb. 6, 10:30 a.m. | Where: Southport Branch library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Rd. | Info: (317) 275-4510.

Love Your Library: CEO's 2018 Tour! • Individuals of all ages are invited to meet Library CEO Jackie Nyles as part of her annual visits to all IndyPL locations. | When: Feb. 6, 6 p.m. | Where: Southport Branch library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Rd. | Info: (317) 275-4510.

Tot Art at Southport! • Babies and toddlers up to age 3 and adult are invited for a process art program. | When: Feb. 7 and 8, 10:30 a.m. | Where: Southport Branch library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Rd. | Info: (317) 275-4510.

Kids Day Out: STEM Day • Southport High School robotics team, Cybercards, will put on a demonstration at this event hosted by the Southport Parks Department. This event is free and family-friendly for all ages. | When: Feb. 10, 1 p.m. | Where: Southport Community Center, 6901 Derbyshire Rd. | Info: southport.in.gov.

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FAITH ON FOOD

by Faith Toole

AN OPTION

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Hope you've enjoyed Devour Indy by trying new eateries or a few of your favorites. My column will highlight two eateries participating. Devour Indy runs through Feb. 4.

It's been fun meeting new people on the FAITH ON FOOD journey. Recently while taking pictures of a coffee creation, I met Adam Reinstrom. His family are the owners of Byrnes Grilled Pizza, one of the eateries participating in Devour Indy. Adam told their story; in 2011 they decided to start a food truck business and were one of the first. They named the food truck after their family friend and mentor Father Jim Byrne of Holy Cross. With the explosion of First Friday Food Trucks they expanded to Farmer Markets, Indianapolis Motor Speedway events and more plus catering. In November 2015 they opened their store front along the 56th and Illinois



neighborhood lined with quaint shops. In January 2018, after renovations to the Restaurant, they opened the Rhino Bar serving Hotel Tango's favorite drinks.

Our lunch started with bruschetta; tangy mix of diced tomato, red onion, fresh garlic, olives and basil made in-house served with bread planks toasted with a hint of pesto, accented with a rich balsamic vinegar. We savored the burst of flavors. The Byrnes Specialty pizza arrived bubbling with pesto, spinach, artichoke hearts, tomatoes, bell peppers, ricotta. The thin crust was amazing which didn't over power the taste of each ingredient. Each menu item is prepared per order with the freshest ingredients offering gluten free options on a massive fire grill with no oven onsite.

Add Byrnes Grilled Pizza to your list especially on a Thursday when the local shoppes are opened for the evening.



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"Swipe left" store-bought muffins

NUTRITION

By Wendell Fowler

Obedient Americans blindly trust familiar food brands to be healthful, when in all honesty, they are not. While perusing the grocery bakery, I grabbed several prepackaged muffins to read their ingredient labels. Some brands tout their muffins are healthy and wink-wink, "natural." Well, as it turned out, I needed my glasses, magnifying glass and a scientist to interpret the three-paragraph list.

While sleepwalking through a life of blind trust, you've been fooled dear friends. Regrettably it's the norm for Big food who gets the okey-doke from the feds after lobbyists lubricate the crumbling moral compass of a Washington solely focused on cash, not sustaining America's health.

Friends, an 8-ounce, softball-size blueberry muffin slathered with butter or a silly package of mini-muffins are quite unhealthy. Why? Read ingredient labels please: refined sugar, high fructose corn syrup, hydrogenated oils (trans fats), white flour, artificial flavorings, preservatives, and colorings: all linked to diabetes, heart disease, obesity, weak immune system and some cancers. If the list is two paragraphs long and some ingredients sound like chemical components of rocket fuel... back away and run! One large muffin contains about 385 useless, health-depleting calories. No love or vitamins here! When the temple receives *real* food, it's brilliant intelligence extracts the nutrition it *recognizes*, dis-

tributes it to your cells, and then vital organs and systems keeping you alive.

Got allergies or auto-immune disease? Your temple's defensive reaction to unnatural allergens (hidden in "natural") can cause chronic inflammation. The word "NATURAL" on a food produced is flat-out, pants-on-fire deception. The FDA does not require manufacturers to disclose what's in natural. (an effort to make you assume something is healthy) For goodness sake, cat poop could be called natural. Don't get played.

Awaken slumbering friends. "*The Omnivore's Dilemma*" author Michael Pollan suggests: "Don't buy products with more than five ingredients or any ingredients you can't easily pronounce."

To be the positive change in a world plagued by soaring disease rates due to vitamin deficiency, you must first change yourself with healthy eating choices and a magnifying glass. A joyful, disease-free existence is all about choices: Only you can make every mouthful count towards creating and sustaining health by choosing to eat a plant-based diet as medical science strongly urges. Get thee back into thy kitchen to bake a "from scratch batch" of health and happiness. Boxed packaged mixes don't count, BTW.



Chef Wendell is a lecturer and food journalist. Contact him at chefwendellfowler@gmail.com.

ON CAMPUS

Southside students make Dean's Lists across the nation

Academics – Students who attempt 12 graded credits during a fall or spring semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, on average, earn Dean's List honors. Southside students named to the Dean's List include:

University of Iowa: Hubol Persson-Gordon, a native of Indianapolis (46239).

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University of Dayton: Nicholas Barrett of Indianapolis, Conor Cunningham of Indianapolis, Austin Dias of Greenwood, Hannah Gahimer of Greenwood, Trevor Jacob of Greenwood, Daniel Jennings of Indianapolis, Austin O'Gara of Indianapolis, Hayley Phillips of Greenwood, Alexis Schroeder of Indianapolis, Bradley Wolfred of Greenwood

Millikin University: Adrianna Goss, College of Fine Arts, Freshman, Musical Theatre, of Greenwood; and Jordan Frederick, College of Fine Arts, Junior, Theatre, of Indianapolis.

Central Methodist University: Patrick Michael Norris, of Greenwood.

Western Illinois University: Jessica Nicole Brooks, of Greenwood.

Do the brussels hustle

GRAMMAR GUY

By Curtis Honeycutt

In 2014, kale was all the rage at the local farmers' market. 2016 brought us an avocado fad which elevated toast prices among the hipster millennial community. As a professional grammarian and amateur vegetable trend forecaster, take this hot tip: you're going to want to put all your summer stock in Brussels sprouts.

Before you object to this up-and-coming veggie trend based on how your mom used to make Brussels sprouts (boiled to oblivion), I'm told there are now more interesting and tasty ways to prepare these cute little cabbages (roasted with sea salt and olive oil, for one).

And it's spelled Brussels sprouts, not brussel sprouts. You could theoretically have one Brussels sprout, I suppose. Even though they originated in the Mediterranean region, Brussels sprouts gained popularity across Europe, especially in Belgium, where they received their geographical moniker. And – yes – I capitalized the "b" in Brussels sprouts.

For that matter, what about the "f" in French toast? French fries certainly don't always get the capital treatment. In the United Nations of foods, there's not much capitalization consistency. Will the delegation from Switzerland be offended if Swiss cheese isn't capitalized?

One argument against capitalizing any noun phrase containing a place word

is that you should call Brussels sprouts "Brussels sprouts" with a capital "b" if (and only if) they did, indeed, originate from the city of Brussels. If they didn't actually hail from the geographical region, argues the Chicago Manual of Style, you don't need to capitalize them.

I'm going to have to disagree with the "never capitalize" camp. I've never seen baked Alaska with a lowercase "a," even though the flambé dessert most likely wasn't sourced and shipped from our 49th state. The same rule applies to Swiss chard, Dijon mustard, Gorgonzola cheese, Canadian bacon and the Cuban sandwich.

I guess that makes me an all-or-nothing capitalizer; so be it. Either capitalize proper nouns contained in common phrases or don't. Just because your Hawaiian pizza wasn't made in Hawaii (the pineapple and ham pizza monstrosity actually originated in Canada) doesn't mean you demote Hawaii to a common noun with a lowercase h. One thing I can guarantee is that Brussels sprouts are 2018's kale; so if you pride yourself as the first among your friends to find the latest veggie trends, jump on the bandwagon before it gets too crowded.



Curtis Honeycutt is a freelance humor writer. Have a grammar question? Connect with him on Twitter @curtishoneycutt or at curtishoneycutt.com.

Puzzles & Answers – SEE PAGE 14

Answers to HOOSIER HODGEPODGE:

Terms: BALL, GUTTER, LANE, SPARE, SPLIT, STRIKE;

Vegetables: BEAN, CORN, LETTUCE, ONION, PEA;

Governors: BAYH, DANIELS, HOLCOLM, ORR;

Furniture: BED, CHAIR, SOFA;

Coors: BLACK, GOLD;

Team: FUEL

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OBITUARIES

Mary Jane Allison

Mary Jane Allison, 84, of Indianapolis, died Jan. 26, 2018. Born in Indianapolis on Nov. 16, 1933 Mary Jane was the daughter of the late Clarence and Myrl (Runner) Allison. Mary Jane was a graduate of Tech High School and earned her master's degree in education from Butler University. While attending Butler, she worked in accounts payable at Community Hospital East. She was teacher and reading specialist for IPS for over 25 years and ran her own real estate business, Allison Properties. Mary Jane was a long-time member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Along with her parents, she is also preceded in death by her siblings, Jack and William Allison, Jean Mann, and JoAnn Fears. Survivors include her two sisters, Judith Allison and Emily N. King; her longtime, best friend, Mary Whitsett; many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews. Family and friends will gather on Feb. 1, 10 a.m. to noon in the Daniel F. O'Riley Funeral Home, 6107 S. East St., Indianapolis with a eulogy and poem shared at noon. Mass of Christian Burial will be 1 p.m. on Thursday at St. Roch Catholic Church, Indianapolis. Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery.

Clifford Eugene Clendenon

Clifford Eugene Clendenon, of Indianapolis, died on Jan. 28, 2018. He was born to Harlie and Martha (Rigsby) Clendenon on Nov. 11, 1926 in Tennessee. During WWII he served as a military policeman in Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii. In 1950 Cliff married Faye Sanders of McMinnville and they moved to Indianapolis. Faye passed away in 1997. Cliff retired in 1988 after 38 years as a maintenance mechanic at RCA in Indianapolis. Cliff had a lifelong love of music and was best known for his self-taught stylings on the steel guitar. He performed with many bands over the years including The Rhythm Buddies, Chuck's Variety Five, The Sound of Rhythm, Wings, and performed on Bob Hardy's Hayloft Frolic on WTTV. Cliff belonged to the Indy Steel Guitar Club. Cliff is survived by son and daughter-in-law Jeffrey and Sherry Clendenon; daughter C. J. Clendenon; and four siblings, Stanley Clendenon, Marilyn Ayers, Janie Mayberry, and Judy Cox. Siblings Sam Hale and Elsie Clendenon preceded him in death.



Visitation in Indianapolis will be Feb. 1, 4 - 7 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Madison Ave. Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis. Visitation in McMinnville will be Feb. 3, 12 - 2 p.m., followed by the service at 2 p.m. at High's Funeral Home, 101 N. College St. McMinnville, TN. Burial and graveside service will follow in Salem Cemetery, where military rites will be conducted.

Herman F. Hagner

Herman F. Hagner, 89, of Indianapolis, died Friday, Jan. 26, 2018. Born in Louisville, Ky., Herman was the son of the late Herman and Ludmilla (Berner) Hagner. He was united in marriage to his loving wife, Margaret (Thornbury) Hagner and she preceded him in death in 2016. Herman was a founding member of St. Jude Catholic Church where he enjoyed playing in the bridge club. He was a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus Mater Dei Council #437. Herman worked as a service manager at Pitney Bowes for 33 years retiring in 1986. He proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War. Herman is also preceded in death by his siblings, Carl and Lee Hagner, and Rosa Swords. Survivors include his two children, Joseph L. Hagner of Beech Grove, and Andrea M. (Mark) Schultz of Billings, Missouri; three grandchildren, Anne Metzger, Amber Schultz, and Andrew Hagner; and his great-grandson, Alexander Metzger. Family and friends celebrated the life of Herman F. Hagner on Jan. 30 at St. Jude Catholic Church, Indianapolis with Mass of Christian Burial. Burial followed at Calvary Cemetery. Final care and arrangements are entrusted to the Daniel F. O'Riley Funeral Home, Indianapolis.

James M. Hancock, Sr.

James M. "Jim" Hancock, Sr., 70, of Indianapolis, died Jan. 23, 2018. He was born Aug. 21, 1947 in New Castle, Ind. to the late Willie and Bertha Hancock. His memory and legacy carry on through his wife, Patsy (West) Hancock; son, James Hancock, Jr.; grandchildren, Braylon, Katelyn, Brooklyn, Nicole, Katrina, Chasity, and Alissa; 13 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Betty Jean Jackson. A celebration of life service will take place at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care.

Harry L. Hedge

Harry L. Hedge, 76, of Roachdale, died on Jan. 30, 2018. He was born on April 13, 1941 in Putnam County to the late Estel and Mary (Schillings) Hedge. Harry was a truck driver for Buchanan Hauling and Rigging in Fort Wayne for 30 years and he drove for other trucking companies including Builders Concrete. He enjoyed drinking a beer and talking with his family and friends. He enjoyed seeing the world; he had

visited almost every state. Harry is survived by his children, Nick and Sheila Hedge; son-in-law, Casey Adams; three grandchildren, Nicolette, Riley and Ashlee; eight great-grandchildren; half-brother, Ron; and two half-sisters, Mary and Wilma. He is was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Terri Hedge and a sister, Olive. Funeral services are Feb. 2, 1 p.m. at Roachdale Christian Church, 1 N. Walnut St., Roachdale, IN. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the service. Following cremation he will be laid to rest in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Glens Valley, Greenwood. Arrangements have been entrusted to G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave.

Vickie Marie Juarez

Vickie Marie Juarez, 62, of Indianapolis, died Jan. 23, 2018. She was born Oct. 17, 1955 in Columbus, Ohio to the late Rufus and JoAnn Chambers. Arrangements were entrusted to Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care.

Mary Catherine McHugh - Temple

Mary Catherine McHugh - Temple, 52, of Indianapolis, died in Jan. 17, 2018. She was born Feb. 22, 1965 to the late Thomas and Mary McHugh. She was a Cubs fan, enjoyed her cats, and enjoyed spending time with her family. She is survived by her children, Timothy Andrew Walker Jr., Paul Perdue and Mary Grace Walker. Arrangements and care provided by Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremation Services, Indianapolis.

Dorothy L. Lindsey

Dorothy L. Lindsey, 85, of Indianapolis, died on Jan. 26, 2018. She was born on May 20, 1932 in Indianapolis to the late Arthur and Esta Mae Norton. Dorothy is survived by her children, Linda Sitzman, Candy Lindsey Drew Brissey, Johnny Lindsey, Ernie Lindsey; 14 grandchildren, Shannon, Shaun, Doug, Brian, Stacy, Tracy, Jason, Lindsey, Bobby, Amanda, Billy, Angel, Nikki, and Billie and many great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by Diana Casada, Billy Lindsey, Sharon Gardner. Graveside service was Jan. 29 at Liberty Cemetery, Bronston, Ky. Arrangements have been entrusted to G. H. Herrmann East Street Funeral Home, 1505 S. East St., Indianapolis.

Erich E. Rensner

Erich E. Rensner, 88, of Greenwood, formerly of Park Ridge, Ill., died on Jan. 29, 2018. He was born on Sept. 1, 1929 in Chicago, Ill. to the late Erich E. and Erma Rensner. Erich proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. He received the German Occupational Medal. He

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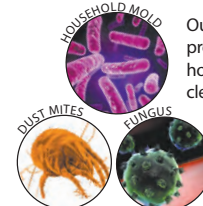


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Banich named Roncalli assistant principal for student activities

Leadership – Kevin Banich was named Roncalli High School's Assistant Principal for Student Activities effective June 2018. He is a 2009 graduate of Roncalli High School and a 2013 graduate of Ball State University's social studies education program. After graduating from college, he returned to Roncalli and became a social studies teacher. Throughout his time in the social studies department, he has taught a variety of courses and levels as well as creating the AP World History curriculum. In addition to his teaching responsibilities, he has served as co-director for senior retreat, co-moderator for A Promise to Keep, co-chair for the Graduate Profile Committee and served as an assistant coach for the football and track programs. Banich is currently enrolled in Ball State University's Master of Arts in Educational Administration and Supervision and will graduate in May of 2018.

**Center Grove Debtones named Grand Champion at Fishers Invitational**

Music – The Center Grove varsity show choirs had a strong showing at Fishers Silver Spotlight Show Choir Invitational at Fishers High School in Fishers, Ind. on Jan. 27. The Debtones won Grand Champion in the Unisex Division and Sound System on placing First Runner Up in the Mixed Division. The Debtones collected awards for Best Vocals, Best Choreography, and Best Instrumental. Sound System received awards for Best Vocals and Best Instrumental. Center Grove Varsity Choirs Sound System, The Debtones, and CG Singers will perform at Pike MusicFest on Feb. 10. Center Grove choirs are directed by Jennifer Dice, Jared Norman, and Greg Sanders, and choreographed by Andy Haines, Anne Beck, and Brandon Comer. Visit centergrovechoirs.org for more information.

**Mayor Hogsett visits Mary Bryan**

Government – Mayor Hogsett paid a visit to Mrs. Cummings' fourth grade class at Mary Bryan Elementary School. The students asked several insightful questions about government and what it means to be a mayor.

Roncalli wrestling advances to regional

Athletics – Roncalli High School's wrestling team competed in the Southport sectional and advanced all 14 wrestlers on to next week's regional round. Roncalli was the only team in the 12-team field to advance all 14 of its wrestlers to the regional round. In the team competition, the Rebels finished second, just 12 points in the team standings behind third-ranked Perry Meridian.

Five Rebels won individual titles. Senior Sam Hansen won the 195-pound class. Junior John Harris captured the 285-pound class. Sophomores Brayden Lowery (113), Alec Viduya (126) and Tyce Freije (132) all took home first-place honors. For Hansen, Lowery and Viduya, it marks the second straight year that they won a sectional title, although all three won last year in different classes. Hanson won in the 182-pound class, Viduya won in the 113-pound class and Lowery won in the 106-pound class. Roncalli's five individual champions will be joined at next week's regional by nine of their teammates, who advanced on the basis of finishing in the top four of their respective classes. Senior Hunter Miller (second place, 145), juniors Brian Keeney (third place, 138), Trent Smith (third place, 160), Elijah Mahan (second place, 170), Lorenzo Salazar (third place, 182), Spencer Fears (second place, 220), as well as sophomores Sam Slivka (second place, 120), David Page (third place, 152) and freshmen Luke Aldrich (third place, 106) all moved on to the regional round.

The Rebels will compete Feb. 3 morning at Perry Meridian in the regional. The tournament begins at 9 a.m. The top four wrestlers in each weight class will advance to the semi-state.

CGHS art students receive 97 Scholastic Art awards

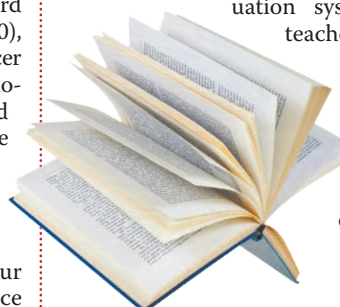
Competition – Center Grove High School (CGHS) continued its tradition of excellence in art with 56 students receiving 97 Scholastic Art Awards in the 9th annual competition. Fourteen CGHS students received prestigious Gold Key awards. Twenty-nine students earned Silver Key awards. Gold and Silver Key award winners advance to national competition. Fifty-four CGHS students received Honorable Mention awards. The Gold and Silver Key winning art will be on display at Clowes Hall on the Butler University campus from Jan. 30 through March 18. Students who earn a Gold Medal at the national competition will have their art displayed in New York City and be invited to the exhibit and award ceremony that is annually held at Carnegie Hall.



Mr. Steve Bair, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Mrs. Lizz Walters, Principal, Beech Grove High School, Dr. Sandi Cole, INTASS Reviewer and Dr. Paul Kaiser, Superintendent.

State Board of Education recognizes Beech Grove schools

Evaluation – On Jan. 10, Beech Grove City Schools was recognized by the Indiana State Board of Education for "the exemplary development and implementation of the BGCS Teacher Evaluation System as a best practice in educator evaluation." Beech Grove City Schools participated in the Indiana Teacher Appraisal System of Supports (INTASS) project, which offers support in designing, implementing, and monitoring teacher evaluation systems, training teacher evaluators, and supporting teachers to engage in evaluation and professional growth opportunities.



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was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church, and previously a member of St. Andrews. He worked as a general engineer for a dumbwaiter elevator company for over 30 years. He enjoyed spending time with his family, listening to old time radio, gardening, woodworking, trains, watching the Chicago Cubs and was an animal lover. Erich is survived by his wife, Jeanette M. (Cottin) Rensner; four children, Dr. Paul (Cindy) Rensner, Stephen (Cheryl) Rensner, Eunice Miller and Rev. Jason (Kris) Rensner; 13 grandchildren, Jennifer, Erich (Sarah), Michelle (Micah), Tyler, Haley, Quincy (Tom), Zach, Josiah, Hayden, Dillon, Lindsay, Noah and Nathan; nine great-grandchildren, Ella, Lillie, Samuel, Hannah, Rachel, Morgan, Chloe, Sophia, and Sarah; a brother, Richard (Julianne) Rensner. He was preceded in death by his brother, Donald Rensner. Funeral services will be Feb. 2, 11 a.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church, 6111 Shelby St., Indianapolis, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service. He will be laid to rest in Concordia Cemetery.

Benjamin A. Schanzel

Benjamin A. Schanzel, 70, Indianapolis, died Jan. 24, 2018. Born Jan. 12, 1948 in Indianapolis to the late William and Mary (Corbett) Schanzel, he was a 1966 graduate of Manual High School. He attended Indiana Baptist College, where he majored in music. He cherished time with his family. He was a letter carrier for the US Postal Service for 37 years. Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Brenda; two children, Liesl (Norris) Collier, Rebekah Schanzel, and Jason Schanzel; two grandchildren, Kyle (Rachel) and Dakota and aunt, Barbara Wagoner. Visitation was Jan. 26 at G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave. Burial will be at New Crown Cemetery.

Mabel Veal

Mabel Veal, 98, died on Jan. 27, 2018. Visitation is Feb. 1, 4 -8 p.m. at the Wilson St. Pierre Sterling-Gerber Chapel, 5950 E. Thompson Rd., Indianapolis. A Celebration of Mabel's life will be Feb. 2, 1 p.m. with an hour of visitation beforehand at Pleasant View Baptist Church, 12442 Southeastern Ave., Indianapolis.

**John Michael Williams**

John Michael Williams, 62, of Brownsburg, died Jan. 20, 2018. He was born Dec. 29, 1955 in Gary, Ind. A memorial service will take place at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to Simplicity Funeral & Cremation Care.

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.

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26 *My flesh and my heart fails: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.*

27 *For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.*

28 *But it is good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord God, that I may declare all thy works.*

PSALM 73:26-28

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led to Damascus.

Let me point out that Saul was a religious man and extremely zealous for the laws of God. He loved God but he hated Christ and all of those that were followers of the "Way" which is the name given to those that were what we call Christians in our time. Following His conversion, he loved Christ and even allowed his name to be changed from its Jewish form to the Greek form. He becomes best known to us as Paul.

Years after his conversion he writes what can be read in 2 Corinthians 11:23-28.

What we read in this passage is all about his closeness or nearness to Christ and what it cost him in pain and peril and loss of common comforts. Being near to God is not an easy place to be.

I still want to be as near to God as it is possible in this life for me to be for it is the only safe place for my soul and His are the only safe hands to trust my eternal soul to.

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