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## Indiana Donor Network honors Johnson County Coroner's Office

Johnson County Coroner's Office, under the leadership of Coroner Michael Pruitt, was recognized as a Champion for Donation by Indiana Donor Network for exceptional efforts to advance organ and tissue donation and transplantation at the recent 2024 Angel Fund Gala. The coroner's office has called in 356 referrals for organ and tissue donation to Indiana Donor Network, resulting in 35 tissue donors and two cornea donors. Other Champions for Donation recipients include Susie Guyer of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles and Mike Keller of Keller Mortuary Services.

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Coroner Michael Pruitt of Johnson County Coroner's Office. (Submitted photo)



Jim Poole's teaching career focused on junior players, offering free lessons as well as coaching high school golf at Roncalli. (Submitted photo)

## Roncalli Golf Coach Poole wins PGA award

Roncalli High School Boys Golf Coach Jim Poole has been awarded the Deacon Palmer Award. The award, given recently at the Indiana PGA Annual Business Meeting, recognizes a PGA golf professional who personally displays outstanding integrity, character, and leadership in the effort to overcome a major obstacle in their life. This person is an unsung hero at their facility and in their community who serves to inspire, empower, and assist others, both inside and outside of the game.

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## BUSINESS

## How much do millennial business owners make in Greenwood?

Flippa just released a new study about the U.S. locations where millennial business owners earn the most money compared to millennial employees. With more personal debt, lower savings, and wealth, and other financial difficulties, millennials — those born between 1981 and 1996 — have more barriers to overcome than previous generations when starting or running their own business. For millennials in some parts of the country, however, business ownership can prove quite lucrative. Researchers ranked U.S. metros and states according to the difference between the average income for self-employed and employee millennials. These are the main takeaways from the report with some key stats for the Indianapolis-Carmel-Greenwood metro area:

- Since 2009, millennial business owners' average income has more than doubled—from \$30,064 annually to \$62,914.
- Still, the difference in income between millennial business owners and millennial

employees is just 1.1 percent — around only \$700 per year. Meanwhile, a typical baby boomer who owns a business earns nearly 20 percent more than one working as an employee, while for Generation X, a typical business owner earns 4.7 percent more than an employee.

- Millennial employees in Indianapolis specifically earn an average annual income of **\$59,039**.
- Millennial business owners in Indianapolis earn an average income of \$55,919—5.3 percent less than their employee counterparts.
- **Overall, millennial business owners in the Indianapolis metro earn less than millennial employees on average.**

For complete results of the analysis, with data on the top 100 U.S. metropolitan areas and all 50 states, go to [flippa.com/blog/how-much-do-millennial-business-owners-make](https://flippa.com/blog/how-much-do-millennial-business-owners-make)

## AROUND TOWN

## Gov. Holcomb's 2024 Next Level Agenda prioritizes early childhood education workforce

*Indiana's workforce training programs to offer early childhood education and childcare credentials*

Governor Eric J. Holcomb announced the addition of early childhood education and childcare credential training options under Indiana's signature workforce training programs. As part of his 2024 Next Level Agenda, the governor pledged to open existing financial aid dollars for early childhood professions that will help grow the state's childcare and preschool workforce pipeline. The training programs will be funded through the Workforce Ready Grant and Employer Training Grant. Implemented jointly by the Commission for Higher Education and Department of Workforce Development, the Workforce Ready Grant covers the tuition and fees for individuals trained through qualifying certificate programs, which now includes credentials such as the Child Development Associate and other early childhood education programs. The Employer Training Grant reimburses employers who train, hire and retain workers in high-demand positions. The program can be used for both new and preexisting employees. The state continues its efforts to add high-quality childcare programs, and attracting more

well-trained childcare workers is critical to that effort. Shortages and turnover at childcare programs hinder access to quality care Hoosier workers need for their families. Recent state grant opportunities supported businesses and communities in adding nearly 100 new childcare solutions including on-site or near-site childcare, backup care and tri-share programs for working Hoosiers and created openings for more than 1,500 children throughout the state. Since 2017, the Workforce Ready Grant has helped over 47,000 Hoosiers complete credential training in high-wage, high-demand careers. Now, the financial aid program will also assist training and upskilling in the high-value, high-demand sector of early childhood education. The employer Training Grant has helped 1,400 employers upskill nearly 17,000 workers. Hoosiers can begin applying for early childhood education under the Workforce Ready Grant. Individual eligibility criteria and training program options will be available on [NextLevelJobs.org](https://NextLevelJobs.org). Interested child care and preschool employers should contact the Department of Workforce Development to explore the application process and develop a training plan by visiting DWD online at [in.gov/dwd/business-services/etg/](https://in.gov/dwd/business-services/etg/) for more information and to apply.

## Roncalli Salutes Our Valedictorian &amp; Salutatorian



Valedictorian Emily Sering and Salutatorian Lachlan Borders

The Roncalli High School Class of 2024 is proudly represented by valedictorian Emily Sering and salutatorian Lachlan Borders. These students have demonstrated commitment to academic and personal success through hard work, dedication and making the most of their God-given talents.

We celebrate their success and all that the future holds. Congratulations to Emily, Lachlan and their families!

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## A champion in education

### Franklin Township teacher receives Science of Reading Champion Award

Compiled by Nancy Hammerstrom

Jodi Denton, a resource teacher with Franklin Central High School, was recently awarded the Science of Reading Champion Award by The Reading League Indiana. “The Reading League (national) is a nonprofit organization that began out of Syracuse, N.Y., which has since expanded to state chapters,” said Stefany Bragg, vice president of The Reading League Indiana.

Established in 2021, “Our mission is to advance the awareness, understanding, and use of evidence-based reading instruction across the state, by connecting all stakeholders and providing sound educational resources,” she said. “We believe in empowering educators with the professional knowledge to provide the instruction ALL students need to become literate citizens of their community. One of the many events that we host throughout the year is our annual Science of Reading Champion Award. Nominees are nominated by someone, most often a colleague, and then asked to share their own journey in learning and utilizing evidence-based literacy instruction in their current role. We look for individuals who have used this awareness and understanding who have changed outcomes for students shown in student data. Our board reviews the applications sent by the nominees and vote on three winners. Jodi Denton was chosen for the impact she has had on the students she serves. Her knowledge is impacting student life outcomes, and we were honored to celebrate the impact she has made for Hoosier students.”



Beckett, Denton's son, has fun with reading - he dressed up as an "R-Controlled" vowel for Halloween. (Submitted photos)

“Jodi epitomizes what it means to be a life-long learner,” added Jennifer Matasovsky, principal at Franklin Central High School. “She is constantly seeking out new methods, programs, and curriculum that benefits her students and her department. Her willingness to share what she has learned makes her a truly collaborative colleague that is respected and valued by all stakeholders.”

#### Q&A with Jodi Denton:

**Please tell us a little about yourself.** I have been working in education for nearly two decades in multiple settings, working with intermediate, middle, and high school students. Outside of my professional work, I am a wife to Mike, and proud mom to Beckett, 6, and Zoe, 5. I love to listen to podcasts, watch documentaries, and enjoy concerts and traveling.

**How long have you been teaching with Franklin Central High School?** I have had the pleasure of working in Franklin Township for the past five years.

**What do you do as a resource teacher?** First and foremost, I am an advocate for student learning. My role and responsibilities are to ensure my students' individual needs are being met. I am also tasked with co-teaching English courses as well as teaching two sections of developmental reading. Above all, building positive relationships with my students and colleagues is of the utmost importance to me.

**Where did you grow up and go to high school and college?** I was born and raised in Beech Grove, where I attended Holy Name Catholic School until eighth grade before moving on to graduate from Beech Grove High School. Following that, I pursued my undergraduate studies at Ball State University before obtaining my master's degree through Olivet Nazarene University's online program.

**Why did you decide to go into Special Education?** Were you impacted by anyone growing up? Ball State offered a five-year dual major program in elementary and spe-

cial education that really piqued my interest. My Uncle Tim, who I adore and think the world of, was born with Moebius syndrome, a rare congenital condition. He inspired me to go into the world and help others find their voices. He is absolutely remarkable in every way. He worked for over 50 years and took the city bus to work every day; he's truly unstoppable.

#### How do you advocate for your students?

Having spent a lot of my time teaching math and science, my passion for teaching literacy skills really started when I became a high school teacher. I quickly noticed there were still students who needed to hone their foundational reading skills. At that time, I went on a mission to find the most effective and efficient ways to reach secondary students. Time is of the essence. At the beginning of my quest, I came across Driving for Dyslexia, a nonprofit organization, who trains educators in Orton-Gillingham methods at no cost. The

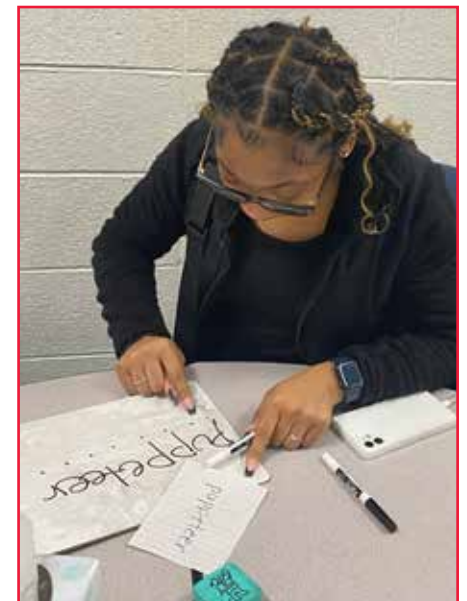
people I networked with there were so on fire for literacy, it was so invigorating. Since then, I have sought out any professional development opportunities that I felt would benefit my students' learning. Many times you'll hear a student is having difficulty with comprehension skills, but it's so much more than that. Educators really need to be diagnostic and prescriptive in their practices. There are so many phenomenal teachers who present at conferences and seminars on structured literacy that help aid teachers in doing just that.

**What do you enjoy most about your job?** Teaching a striving reader, especially when they are older, has probably brought me the most bliss and joy I have had in my career. I also absolutely love laughing and building relationships with my colleagues and students. You have to have a sense of humor to stay sane some days.

**How did you feel after receiving the Science of Reading Champion Award?** It was really unexpected, but very much appreciated. All my siblings were with me when I won the award, so it was really neat to accept that

with them. They know literacy is a passion of mine and reading is a civil right.

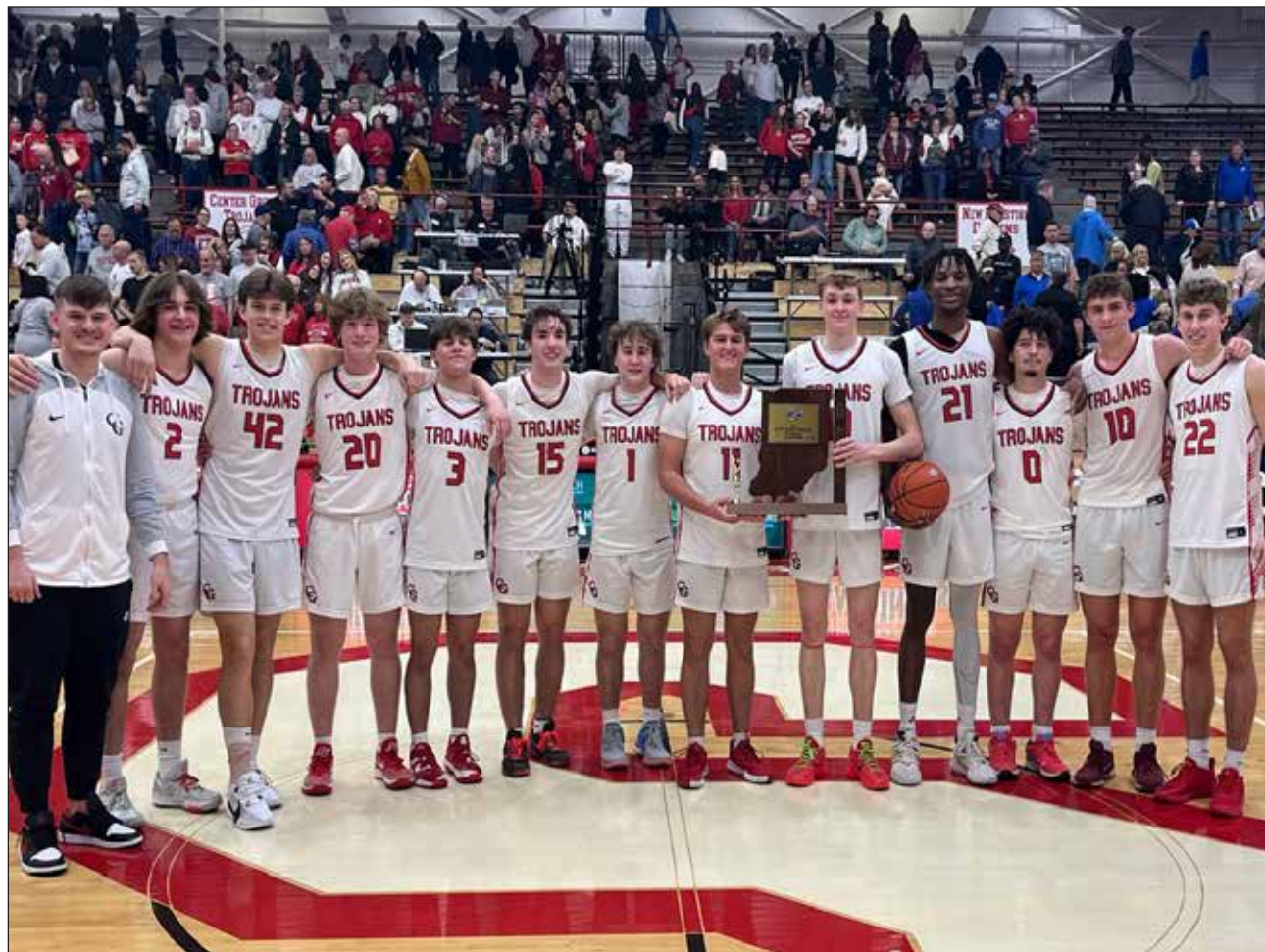
**What can parents do to support their kids who are struggling to read?** Everyone benefits from structured literacy, whether it's to become a better reader or a better speller. However, if your child is a struggling reader, structured literacy is non-negotiable. Caretakers can work on letter sounds, blending sounds together, segmenting sounds, sound deletions, sound substitutions, and rhyming games on a white board. I always recommend caretakers have a set of flashcards to go through letter sounds (not names) and build upon there. Another great place to work on these skills is in the car just through playing games. My daughter and I will often go back and forth finding words that begin or end with a certain sound. The practice all adds up. Students can practice fluency skills by reading a sentence or a paragraph to their caretaker, and then the caretaker reads back to the child the same text, and finally the child rereads the same text one more time. Reading Buddies and Mrs. Siravo's YouTube channel are great resources as are the Leap Frog videos. There are so many excellent social media accounts targeted to help caretakers. I like toddlerscanread on Instagram. The UFLI parent hub is an excellent resource as well. For older children, I recommend learning the meaning of prefixes, suffixes, and roots and segmenting syllables. The earlier we can support and intervene, the better we are setting up our child for future success.



A student in Denton's class practices spelling a new word. (Cover) Jodi Denton works on reading assignments with her students.



PHOTO of the WEEK



The Center Grove varsity boys basketball team celebrated a regional championship win against Franklin Community High School, 68-56, on Saturday, March 9 at Southport High School. The Class 4A Trojans (21-4) will compete against Ben Davis (21-5) at semi-state Saturday, March 16, at 10 a.m. at New Castle. (Photo courtesy of Center Grove High School)

HUMOR



Top 10 reasons your dog secretly hates you

By Torry Stiles

10. You keep calling him, “My fwuffy-pwuffy pwetty boy” in front of the gang. Howzabout he starts calling you, “bald monkey boy,” hunh?
9. Let’s shut down the bathroom for a 12-hour day and see if YOU don’t end up peein’ on the floor.
8. Would it hurt to vacuum under the couch once in a while? Looks like a whole other dog under there.
7. If you don’t want him eating the garbage then don’t leave it right out in the open. Same thing for the kitty litter box.
6. Even the dog thinks your “Service Animal” vest is B.S.
5. For the love of Bob, stop putting the little ribbons in my fur after a bath.
4. That fake throw thing with the tennis ball? Stop it. Just, stop.
3. You went to Aldi’s and got the salmon dog food. He’s a Hoosier dog. He don’t eat salmon.
2. Saw what you did with the neighbor’s cat.
1. Your Scooby-Doo impersonation sucks.

BELIEVE IT!

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

At Elon College in North Carolina, there is to be no rollerblading during daylight hours, on the roads, or on the bricks.

Source: [stupidlaws.com](http://stupidlaws.com)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*I say luck is when an opportunity comes along, and you’re prepared for it.*

Denzel Washington

## National Reading Month

### Saints Francis & Clare of Assisi Catholic School soars to new heights with reading scores ... and makes reading fun for students

Compiled by Nancy Hammerstrom

Literacy rates in Indiana have been declining for the past decade, according to the Indiana Department of Education. The number of students who do not pass the IREAD-3 assessment (for reading comprehension skills) has more than doubled, and thousands of students entering fourth grade are unable to read. Last year alone, nearly 13,500 students who did not pass the assessment advanced to fourth grade.

Despite the sobering statistics, Saints Francis & Clare of Assisi Catholic School's ILEARN scores (which measures reading comprehension and language arts skills as well as math) soared to No. 6 in the state last year.

Johnson County ICON interviewed Betty Popp, Saints Francis & Clare principal, and Matt Goddard, physical education and social studies teacher for SSFC, who also serves as the i-Ready coordinator, for a Q&A on how they increased their scores with the help of an i-Ready assessment.

**How have ILEARN scores increased this year compared to before and during the pandemic?** Overall percent passing prior to the pandemic in both ELA and Math was 69.9%. In 2021 we dropped to 62.5%, and we increased our scores to 79.4% this past year at 84.4% passing in both ELA and Math.

**What is the i-Ready assessment?** i-Ready is an individualized reading and math computer program that assesses each student three times a year. After each assessment, students receive continual lessons on the level where they tested. This program helps find the students gaps that they might have missed in their classroom learning, and it automatically gives each student lessons on that topic. i-Ready also gives students lessons at higher learning levels if they have already mastered their grade level material.

**When was i-Ready introduced to the school?** We piloted the program with fifth grade in November of the year we had to go home for the pandemic. We then implemented it to the whole school after returning in 2021 and have been doing it ever since.

**What kind of feedback were you hearing from teachers and students after they started using the assessment?** When we first started, the teachers liked getting the data and information. The children like learning about new things. They love seeing what grade level they test into and watch their individualized growth bar grow.

**How soon did you start seeing results from the assessment?** We started to implement to the whole school after we returned from the COVID absence. It took a whole calendar year after we implemented it schoolwide before we saw the start of student improvement and we have been working on it ever since.

**What types of activities have helped students increase their ILEARN scores?** The incentives for passing lessons have made i-Ready fun for the students. The students also set goals for their learning path with teachers for their overall benchmark goals. We celebrate with pizza parties and have had Kona Ice to celebrate success. Some teachers give students extra recess for completing and passing lessons by Friday.

**Do you have any suggestions to parents about helping their kids learn at home?** Parents receive a sheet that informs parents where their students are performing and what the next steps are for progression. We do encourage reading for enjoyment and have seen children who are reading more. Hands-on activities and gamelike activities are always encouraged that support learning. Students also have an online library that they like. There are also games online that are math games that children like to play related to math.

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**A Q & A with student parents, Jodi and Greg Hazard:**

**What changes have you seen in your children as a result of increasing their ILEARN scores from using the i-Ready assessment?**

When it comes to ILEARN, I have been so proud as a school parent to see how our scores have improved as a whole. This is just one area that has helped the students reach their full potential and set Saints Francis & Clare of Assisi above the rest! I give a lot of credit to our teachers, especially with improved scores over the course of every school year when compared to the fall assessments.

They are able to get our kids on track from the start of the year and keep them going until the end – not easy! Even more obvious to me in how my children have improved in their academics is the use of i-Ready. i-Ready offers regular assessments and the teachers assign weekly goals in both ELA & Math. I am a mom of seventh grade twin boys. As a result of seeing improvements on their i-Ready assessments and weekly work, they are motivated to read and are proud of the work they've accomplished! Math is not a favorite subject for my kids, but with the addition of i-Ready lessons each week, I have seen their overall grades improve and their ILEARN scores go up in all areas.



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UPCOMING PERRY TOWNSHIP MEETINGS & EVENTS

**Southport Theatre Spring Play** • Southport Theatre presents: Empowered: How one girl scout nearly destroyed the world's economy. Tickets are \$10. | When: March 14 and 15, 7 p.m.; March 16, 4 p.m. | Where: Southport High School, 971 Bantta Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-789-4800; sopopad.wixsite.com/mysite

**A Presentation from Madam CJ Walker & Ida B. Wells** • Experience a live performance from two historic ladies: Madam CJ Walker & a Sales Associate, Madam CJ Walker & Ida B. Wells, or Ida B. Wells & Harriet Tubman. After a 45-minute presentation, they will answer your questions for 15 minutes. The lovely women of Soulful Journeys of Women present these historic figures. | When: March 16, 2-3 p.m. | Where: Southport Library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-275-4510

**Pathway to Literacy Classes** • Beginner English classes for adult learners with six years or less of schooling. Virtual classes available. MUST call the Immigrant Welcome

Center to register for classes at 317-762-7865. | When: Mondays and Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m. | Where: Southport Library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-762-7865

**English Conversation Circle** • Join our English Conversation Circles to practice and improve your English conversation skills in a comfortable and welcoming place. | When: Mondays, 6-7 p.m. | Where: Southport Library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-275-4510

**Chair Aerobics Class** • Join us for a 13-week, low-impact, theme-based seated exercise and brain fitness class led by an instructor from Through the Ages Fitness. Please bring a water bottle to class. | When: Thursday mornings from 11:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m. | Where: Southport Library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-275-4510

**Southside Indy Record Show** • \$5 admission; \$10 early bird at 9 a.m. Dealers from five states; LPs, 45s, CDs, tapes, and

music memorabilia. Have records you'd like to sell? Call Duke at 317-800-3447. | When: March 23, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. | Where: Mucky Duck Events Center, 4425 Southport Crossings Way (behind Texas Roadhouse). | Info: dukebutrum@yahoo.com

**Monday Adult Book Club** • Join us for a monthly book discussion. Visit the check-out desk to pick up a copy of each month's book. | When: March 25, 6:30-7:30 | Where: Southport Library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-275-4510

**Perry Senior Services Euchre** • Play Euchre with other seniors in your community. | When: April 11, 10 a.m. | Where: Perry Senior Services, 6901 Derbyshire Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-783-9231; perryseniors.org

**PTEF First Pickleball Charity Tournaments** • Join us for a day of fun and friendly competition as we serve up excitement on the pickleball courts for a great cause. The Perry Township Education Foundation

(PTEF) invites players of all abilities, aged 16 (with parental consent waiver) and above, to participate in our inaugural tournament. This charity tournament aims to raise funds for the PTEF's educational initiatives while promoting the sport of pickleball in our community. The tournament will feature a round robin format, allowing players to showcase their skills and enjoy a day of camaraderie. The highlight of the event will be awarding the winners' traveling trophy, which the winning team will proudly own for one year. Additionally, there will be prizes for runners-up and other exciting giveaways throughout the day. Registration opened March 6, so gather your paddle and get ready to smash, dink, and volley your way to victory for a good cause. Let's make this tournament a smashing success and support education in Perry Township! | When: April 21, time to be announced. | Where: Perry Meridian Middle School, 202 W. Meridian School Road, Indianapolis. | Info: Mary@PTEF.org

AROUND TOWN

Perry Township Schools participate in Math Bowl Invitational

Perry Township Schools held the district Math Bowl Invitational on Feb. 27. This year, all 11 elementary schools and both sixth-grade academies participated. Congratulations to the top teams below!

Elementary school winners:

- First place: Southport Elementary
- Second place: Rosa Parks Elementary
- Third place: Glenss Valley & Winchester Village

Sixth-grade academy winners:

- First place: Perry Meridian 6th Grade Academy
- Second place: Southport 6th Grade Academy



Perry Township students compete during the Math Bowl Invitational. (Photo courtesy of Perry Township Schools)

AROUND TOWN

Blaser receives Kiwanis award

Roncalli senior Christian Blaser was named to the Kiwanis Circle of Valor at the 49th annual Abe Lincoln Awards on Monday, Feb. 9. The program celebrates students who have overcome adversity while achieving success. Christian was one of only 23 area high school seniors who received the Kiwanis Club of Indianapolis Abe Lincoln Award. The Abe Lincoln scholarship program was created in 1976 to recognize students who have overcome unimaginable hardships and to provide financial aid to assist them in continuing their goals. Kiwanis aims to guide young people by providing a community that cares about, recognizes, and encourages them. Christian was recognized for this award because he navigated the loss of a parent with an incredible amount of grace and maintained a positive outlook on life despite the challenges he has faced. Christian will attend Ball State University in the fall and plans to study business.



Photo (left to right): Christian Blaser with his sister Eva Blaser (Roncalli 2020) and his mother Lisa Blaser. (Submitted photo)

AROUND TOWN

Local engineers speak to students at Southport 6th Grade Academy during National Engineering Week

In celebration of National Engineering Week 2024, organized by ACEC Indiana, the PLTW classes at Southport 6th Grade Academy hosted six engineers from our city to speak with the students about various aspects of their jobs that tied into the PLTW – Project Lead The Way Design and Modeling curriculum. The students enjoyed each presentation and are still talking about the demolition of the Lafayette bridge, which seemed to be their favorite part! A special thanks to Andrew Kennedy of Guidon Design, Jayson Thorne of CTL Engineering, Inc., Lance Langer & Charlie Starling of CHA Consulting, Inc., and Kumar Dave and Kate Phippen of Indiana Department of Transportation for taking time out of their schedules to speak with our students.



Project Lead the Way students learn about careers in engineering. (Photo courtesy of Perry Township Schools)

## Have you been yeeted by a yeti yet?

### GRAMMAR GUY

By Curtis Honeycutt

It's no secret that expert wordplay is the key to increasing your romantic attraction. After all, who doesn't love a bonafide word nerd?

Today's word journey includes slang and common words that sound similar. If you're playing at home, turn your dictionaries to the "y" section.

Are we having fun yet? Let's begin by examining the word "yet." Although the exact origin of the word is unknown, in Old English, the words "get" and "gieta" mean "until now" or "thus far." You can imagine how these words morphed along the way to arrive at the "yet" pronunciation we have today.

The small but mighty "yet" is a versatile word. As an adverb, "yet" means "at the present time" or "so far," while as a conjunction, it means "though" or "neverthe-

less." Yet can be used as an adverb, yet it can also function as a conjunction.

Let's rewind a few dictionary entries ahead of "yet" and discuss the slang term "yeet." My son uses "yeet" as a word to mean "throw strongly or wildly." Originating as an exclamation of excitement around 2008, "yeet" is mainly used today the same way my son uses it: I yeeted the football over the house and into my neighbor's yard.

Do you believe in the Abominable Snowman? If so, you believe in yetis. The yeti, not to be confused with its North American cousin, Bigfoot, is a legendary gigantic, hairy, humanlike creature who prowls around the Himalayas. The Abominable Snowman has done some great work in film, in movies ranging from the claymation classic "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" to Pixar's "Monsters, Inc."

Have you heard of a "yettie"? I hadn't either, although — as it turns out — I am one. Like the word "yuppie" was coined

to signify a young, urban professional, a "yettie" is a young, entrepreneurial, and technology-based person. For my day job, I work as a technology copywriter for electronics components clients. In addition, I have at least two side hustles. I think this qualifies me as a certifiable yettie.

For our lightning round, know that a "yate" is a type of Australian eucalyptus tree. "Yatter" means to chatter or jabber. A "Yoooper" is a person who lives in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. "Yep" is an informal way to say "yes." Are we clear on our wonky "y" words?

The next time you're bored, open a physical or internet dictionary; you never know what word wonders you'll discover!



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### Puzzle Time Answers SEE PAGE 8

#### Answers to HOOSIER HODGEPODGE:

**Cities:** ALEXANDRIA, ANDERSON, ANGOLA, ATTICA, AUBURN, AVON;

**Tastes:** BITTER, SALTY, SAVORY, SOUR, SWEET;

**Schools:** FISH, HARD KNOCKS, ROCK, THOUGHT;

**Equipment:** HURDLE, JAVELIN, SHOT PUT;

**Colors:** BLUE, GOLD;

**Mayor:** JOHN STEHR

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## Gentleman and a tramp

### HUMOR

By Dick Wolfsie

I am obsessed with getting 15,000 steps a day for my fitness regimen. I am not a health freak by any stretch of the imagination, although that stretch is one of the few exercises I can do without hurting myself.

If I haven't reached my goal by midnight, I often go down in our basement and trot around the rowing machine (which we never use) or dance around the recumbent bike which is our most versatile coat rack, or dash around the ping pong table, which has caused me real hip pain — not playing ping pong, but crashing into the table when I round the corners at 2 a.m.

To get those final steps in each night, I occasionally even walk up and down the street for 10 minutes. Now, everyone in the neighborhood knows how obsessive I am. They also know the color of all my pajamas.

"You have to find a better way," I kept telling myself. That's also what several police officers told me after reports of streaking in the neighborhood. I don't wear pink jammies anymore.

What I did was buy a mini trampoline. I had heard that bringing out your inner kangaroo could have some health benefits. And so, I ordered one.

The first page of the assembly instructions said you need two people to complete the job. I enlisted my wife to assist and it's a good thing I did. For a while, I stared blankly at dozens of screws, springs, poles, shims, nuts, and bolts. I was confused by the directions. Thank goodness I had another person. Mary Ellen convinced me to call our handyman to put the contraption together.

Kevin didn't even need the directions. He grabbed his electric drill, popped on a few accessories, and in 20 minutes I was ready to bounce like no one was watching. Well, almost ...

My wife was still concerned about my safety. Springing forward is something I'm allowed to do only once a year ... that would have been last week during the first Sunday morning of Daylight Saving.

There were several safety warnings on the instructions. First, the manual says: "Don't install the trampoline while out in bad weather. The frame of the trampoline can conduct lightning." What a bummer! Now I don't have anything to do in my backyard during the next thunderstorm.

Also, I learned from the manual that nothing should be placed under the trampoline. But that's half the reason I buy exercise equipment: storage space. Now I have to find another place for that case of baked beans.

The directions also make clear that "some parts can loosen when using the trampoline." I knew that right away when my shoulder and knee slipped out of their sockets after 100 bounces.

The first night I used it, I decided to watch Stephen Colbert's late-night show on CBS while I did some in-place jogging. Trust me, laughing and bouncing at the same time is not a good combination.

Finally, it says that if you don't plan to use the machine for an extended period, store the device by "removing all the parts in reverse order." My handyman Kevin loved that part.

Now, he has steady employment for the rest of my life.



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## Learn about growing plants at spring garden fairs

### GARDENING

By John Chapin

For gardeners, novice and experienced alike, learning about growing plants is an ongoing experience. One very enjoyable way to learn while checking out popular plants and all things garden related is to attend a spring gardening fair. Many of Indiana counties' Master Gardener groups organize these events, held at the county fairgrounds, usually with free admission. You can enjoy a garden fair almost every other Saturday from March thru May. At each, there are lots of vendors selling plants, great tools, unique garden art and decor, hand-crafted furniture, and more ... but ALL garden related ... no gutters, hot tub, hearing aids, or siding sales! There are educational speakers and demonstrations, kids' activities, literature, and guidance from nonprofit groups promoting gardening, birds, native plantings, and more. Food trucks or a cafe will offer tempting homemade food and desserts. Plus, there are always freebies of seeds, trees, door prizes, and more. Check them out!

Here are some of Central Indiana's spring gardening events:

**March 16:** "Garden Fair" hosted by the Putnam County Master Gardeners at the fairgrounds in Greencastle from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free

**April 6:** "Gardenfest" hosted by the Boone County Master Gardeners at the fairgrounds in Lebanon from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free

**April 13:** "Garden Fair" hosted by the Monroe County Master Gardeners at the Switchyard Park Pavilion in Bloomington from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Free

**April 27:** "Gardening for All Ages" hosted by the Hendricks County Masters Gardeners at the fairgrounds in Danville from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free

**May 4:** "Garden Celebration" hosted by the Johnson County Garden Club at the fairgrounds in Franklin from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. \$2 admission

**May 18:** "Plant Sale & Iris Sale" hosted by the Hamilton County Master Gardeners at the fairgrounds in Noblesville from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free

**May 19:** "Spring-Palooza Peony Festival" - Garden tours, an art fair, food/drinks, music, and more! Avon Gardens at 6259 E. 91 North, Avon from 11a.m. - 5 p.m. Free

Happy Gardening!



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## Tips for flying from Indianapolis

### TRAVEL

By Amy Maharas

If you have flown out of Indianapolis International Airport, you know how lucky we are to have an award-winning airport with easy access nearby. As a frequent flyer, I can tell you that not all airports are created equal. That said, here are a few things to keep in mind if you haven't flown in a while.

**TSA PreCheck** – if you plan to travel at least a few times in the next five years, consider applying for TSA PreCheck. Currently, the TSA PreCheck line at the Indy Airport is only at Checkpoint A, but it's an easy walk over to Checkpoint B after passing through security. With TSA PreCheck, you don't have to remove your shoes or take electronics out of bags, and the line generally moves more quickly than the regular line.

**Baggage check** – this is where you will typically find the longest lines at the

airport. Be sure to arrive at the airport with plenty of time to check bags (at least two hours ahead for domestic flights or three hours ahead for international flights is advised). Have identification tags on your bags before arrival and check to be sure you aren't over the weight limits (a handheld scale is an inexpensive purchase).

**Gate arrival** – multiple times recently, I have watched passengers arrive at gates only to be told they had missed their flight. Do not cut this too close! Purchase food (I love Tinker Coffee at the airport!) and use the restroom at least half an hour before your flight.

No matter where your travels take you this spring, enjoy your flight!



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## IN OUR SCHOOLS

## Roncalli has first female state place winner in wrestling

Roncalli sophomore Claire May made history when she became the first Royal female wrestler to place at state! After being crowned the regional champ, May made her way to semi-state, where she went 3-1 on the day, placing third. At the state competition, Claire made quick work of her first opponent with a second-period fall. After just falling short against the eventual state runner-up, May defeated a highly ranked wrestler from Lake Central to take seventh place. Congratulations are also in

order for fellow Roncalli female wrestler, junior Andi McHugh. In her first year of wrestling, McHugh advanced to semi-state after placing fourth at regionals. Head wrestling coach Shaun Richardson shared, "Girls wrestling in Indiana has grown exponentially in the past three years. Having two girls qualify for the semi-state this year is very exciting for our program. Claire May has been a great pioneer for our girls wrestling team, and we are very proud of her seventh place finish this year!"



Roncalli girls wrestling team. (Submitted photo)

## AROUND TOWN

## On-scene blood transfusion saves patient's life

Recently, an Indianapolis EMS (IEMS) paramedic performed an on-scene blood transfusion to stabilize a patient prior to transport to the hospital, saving their life. This is the first life-saving blood transfusion performed by IEMS and highlights the importance of community blood donations. Since 2022, IEMS has been working with Eskenazi Health to implement the field blood program, which includes specially trained paramedics, equipped with military developed blood coolers and specialized transfusers to warm the blood prior to being administered. The program was recently successfully deployed on a patient who had sustained multiple gunshot wounds and was in severe shock, which is a condition that requires immediate critical care. The patient, whose identity is being withheld for

privacy reasons, was successfully stabilized and transported to a local Level I trauma center and is expected to recover. "This life saved is directly thanks to the incredible work of Eskenazi Health Transfusion Medicine," said Mark Liao, M.D., medical director of Indianapolis EMS. "The Eskenazi Health blood bank team has been critical in getting blood onto the streets where it can be delivered sooner to those who need it." This successful outcome only increases the importance of having blood available through donations from the public, and IEMS encourages people to regularly donate at local blood banks and blood drives. IEMS encourages residents to visit [aabb.org](http://aabb.org) for donors-patients/give-blood to find their closest blood donation site.

## Senior Wellness Fair

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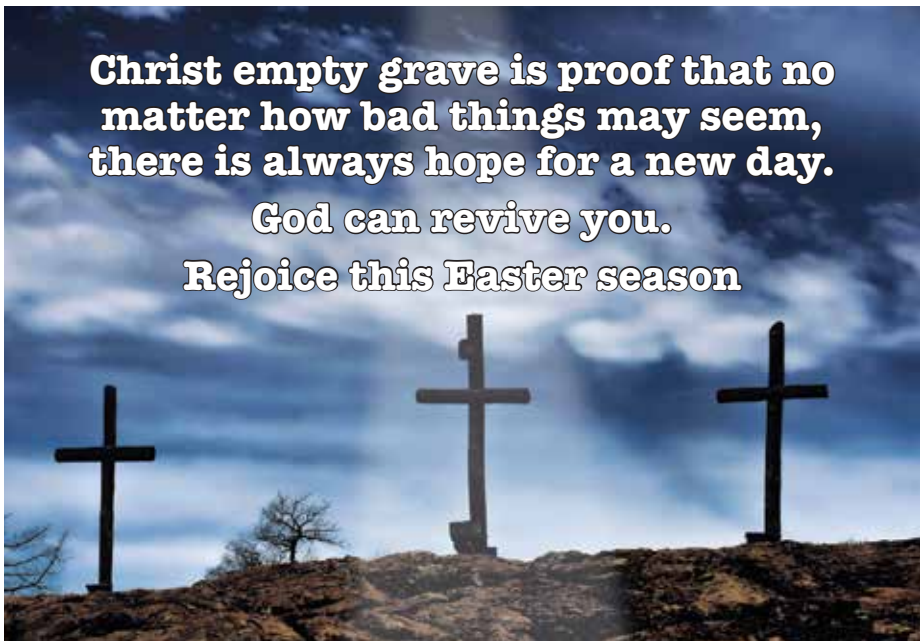
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AROUND TOWN

**Financial Center reimagines financial wellness with brand refresh**

Financial Center, a leading Indiana credit union, has launched their refreshed brand and an ambitious new approach to financial wellness. After an internal rollout earlier, the refreshed messaging and creative is now live in the Credit Union's markets. The refreshed brand is centered around the slogan "Life Starts Here" – a nod to all of the unique first-time events Financial Center's members and prospects experience over their lifetimes. From graduating college, to purchasing a home, to buying an engagement ring, the Credit Union highlights these "starts" in their vibrant new brand messaging and imagery. Financial Center's commitment to being available with advice and direction is at the forefront of its brand positioning, calling themselves "Your Credit Union for What's Next" as a bold new tagline. The nearly one-year long refresh project, led primarily by the internal Marketing & Creative Team with support from a local agency, is the first step in the Credit Union's bid to reframe their nearly 70,000 members' perspective of financial wellness. Dusty Simmons, EVP of Strategic Operations, explained, "We've found that our members often think to come to their credit union when they have a problem. But, with our refreshed approach, we're working to

position ourselves not only as a player in the crowded financial services industry, but as a key resource in the proactive wellness space." With bright and colorful creative, drawing inspiration from the company's vibrant logo, popular fresh-focused grocery chains and boutique fitness and wellness studios, the brand's design and imagery aligns with its new strategic messaging. "We're aiming to be seen in the same light as a proactive visit to the yoga studio to get some mental clarity or a visit to the dentist for a bi-annual check-up. We're inviting members to come in any time to simply chat with our financial coaches to get advice before they even need it," said Simmons. The Credit Union's focus on financial wellness isn't new, being an eight-time national recipient of the Desjardins Adult Financial Literacy Award through the Credit Union National Association (CUNA). Yet, the refreshed branding seeks to bring a greater awareness of how financial wellness can be proactively integrated into members' daily lives. The launch involves new messaging and modernizes creatively through all of the brand's channels including retail, website, social media, sponsorships, and event activations.



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# NIGHT & DAY

## LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT ENTERTAINING

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### BARGERSVILLE

##### League of Women Voters of Johnson County

• All residents of Johnson and the surrounding counties are invited to a meeting of the League of Women Voters of Johnson County (LWVJC). The meeting will also be available on zoom. Discussion at the meeting will focus on making democracy work. For further information and the zoom link, please visit [lwvcin.org](http://lwvcin.org). LWVJC is an educational civic organization dedicated to empowering voters and defending democracy. | When: March 21, 6-7:45 p.m. | Where: Risen Lord/Tapestry Church, 3758 W. Whiteland Road, Bargersville. | Info: [lwvcin.org](mailto:lwvcin.org); Karen: 317-888-8990

#### BEECH GROVE

**Buzz Camp: Spring Break** • For all students in grades K-6. Every day will be filled with enrichment activities and recreation. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be served! Only \$95 a week! Registration is now open. There will be a special Solar Eclipse E-Learning Day Camp. | When: Week 1: March 18-22; Week 2: March 25-29, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center, 5245 Hornet Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: [hornetparkcommunitycenter.com](http://hornetparkcommunitycenter.com); 317-788-4986

#### FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

**Escape the Eclipse** • Legend has it that a solar eclipse happens when the sun and moon are fighting. To ensure the world is not encased in darkness forever, kids must work together to uncover clues while learning about solar eclipses during this escape room program. Will you be able to escape the eclipse? Ages 6 and up. | When: March 18, 3-4 p.m. | Where: Franklin Road Library Branch, 5550 S. Franklin Road, Indianapolis. | Info: [attend.indypl.org/event/9922892](http://attend.indypl.org/event/9922892); 317-275-4380

#### GARFIELD PARK

##### Square Cat Helps You Celebrate the Eclipse

• Celebrate the eclipse this year with Square Cat Vinyl at Garfield Park with Galactic Garfield. Featuring Moon Goons, Ancient Days, and Shipwreck Karpathos. Tickets on sale for \$15. All proceeds benefit Garfield Park. Doors open at 5 p.m.; music starts at 6 p.m. | When: April 6, 5-10 p.m. | Where: MacAllister Amphitheater at Garfield Park, 2425 Conservatory Drive, Indianapolis. | Info: [squarecatvinyl.com/blogs/upcoming-events](http://squarecatvinyl.com/blogs/upcoming-events); 317-875-1314

#### GREENWOOD

**Hop to It!** • Greenwood Park Mall is pleased to announce bunny visits for families as part of the Bunny Photo Experience. Reservations are strongly encouraged. | When: March 1-30, Monday-Friday from 2 to 7 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m.-7 p.m., and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday. | Where: Greenwood Park Mall, 1251 U.S. Hwy 31 N., Greenwood. | Info: [simon.com/mall/greenwood-park-mall/news-and-events](http://simon.com/mall/greenwood-park-mall/news-and-events)

##### Southside Art League Presents: A Two-Artist Abstract Show

• A Two-Artist Show by Indianapolis artists Barbra Thomas and Kristen Kloss. The guest artists will each be exhibiting a collection of abstract paintings. Meet the artists at a SALL Open House on Saturday, March 9, from 6 - 8 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. | When: March 4-30, Wednesday through Saturday, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. | Where: Southside Art League, 299 E. Broadway St., Greenwood. | Info: Please call SALL at 317-882-5562 or the artists, Barbara Thomas at 317-797-0571 or email [brthomas0571@gmail.com](mailto:brthomas0571@gmail.com), Kristen Kloss at 317-445-9499 or email [Kristen.kloss@gmail.com](mailto:Kristen.kloss@gmail.com), to arrange for viewing or appointment at any other time. No fees.

##### St. Patrick's Day Weekend at Tried & True

• Celebrate St. Patrick's Day over the weekend with live music, great food, and cold beer. March 15: John Ryan, 1-5 p.m.; Hired Gun, 6-10 p.m.; March 16, Mindy & Eddie, noon to 3 p.m.; Sam King, 4-7 p.m.; Bryson Cooper, 8-11 p.m. | When: March 15-16, noon to 11 p.m. | Where: Tried & True Alehouse, 2800 S. State Road 135, Greenwood. | Info: 317-530-2706; [facebook.com/TriedTrueAlehouse](http://facebook.com/TriedTrueAlehouse)

##### Spring Lawn Care Class

• Proper planning and actions this spring will help ensure a healthier lawn. Learn proper timing for fertilizing, crabgrass prevention, weeds, and seeding. Registration is suggested to ensure there are enough handouts. Free. | When: April 3, 6 - 7:30 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St., Greenwood. | Info: [greenwoodlibrary.us](http://greenwoodlibrary.us); Dick Huber at 317-881-1953, ext. 4

##### AARP Driver Safety Class

• Participants will learn valuable defensive driving strategies and a good refresher of the rules of the road. Learn about new vehicle technologies and safety features. Some insurance companies offer a discount on auto insurance. Cost - \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members, cash or check payable at class. | When: April 12, 12 - 4 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St., Greenwood. | Info: [greenwoodlibrary.us](http://greenwoodlibrary.us); Dick Huber at 317-881-1953, ext. 4

**BoHo Boutique Pop Up Shop** • Want to experience a fun afternoon of shopping? Crafts & Creations sponsors and supports artists and artisan

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#### INDIANAPOLIS

**"Six-Triple Eight"** • Storytelling Arts of Indiana proudly presents "Six-Triple Eight" told by Charlotte Blake Alston. After activists urged First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt to give Black women meaningful jobs in the war effort, hundreds of young women of color signed up to go through basic training and were assigned to the 6888th Central Postal

Directory Battalion, nicknamed "Six-Triple Eight." The group's motto was "No mail, low morale." The majority of members worked in Great Britain and France to fix a backlog of soldiers' mail. Others were cooks, mechanics, and performed other support roles, making the unit entirely self-sufficient. In 2022, the battalion was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal. \$20 for general admission, online or in person; \$35 for a household to watch the livestream. | When: March 16, 7 p.m. | Where: online via zoom and in person at Eugene & Marilyn Glick Indiana History, 450 W. Ohio St., Indianapolis. | Info: [Storytellingarts.org](http://Storytellingarts.org)

#### PERRY TOWNSHIP

**PTEF First Pickleball Charity Tournaments** • Join us for a day of fun and friendly competition as we serve up excitement on the pickleball courts for a great cause. The Perry Township Education Foundation (PTEF) invites players of all abilities, aged 16 (with parental consent waiver) and above, to participate in our inaugural tournament. This charity tournament aims to raise funds for the PTEF's edu-

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★★★★ • PG-13 • Action/Adventure/Drama • 2 hours, 46 minutes

## Dune: Part 2

Massive scope and scale lead to tremendous triumph and unfortunate shortcomings

### MOVIE REVIEW

By Bradley Lane

Denis Villeneuve's personal passion project *Dune* was a massive success. Released at the tail end of the pandemic, the film was released simultaneously in theaters and on HBO Max and overcame that commercial pitfall turning a profit on a \$165 million budget. This was a risky bet by Warner Brothers that worked out, but it was an even bigger risk for Villeneuve who used his massive budget to create a sprawling epic that was only the first part of a two-part story, without prior approval for a sequel. Thankfully, *Dune: Part 2* is here in theaters to continue the massive tale of Paul Atreides and the planet Arrakis. This continuation builds upon the strengths of the first film in awe-inspiring fashion, but continues to be held back by the same humongous scope that makes both films so special in the first place.

As is hinted by the title, this film is a direct continuation of the first *Dune*, picking up right where Villeneuve left off in 2021. *Dune: Part 2* is primarily about the transition of Paul from a young man left alone in a strange land, to a member of the Fremen he's found refuge amongst, to their prophesied leader and liberator. Involving millennia of politics from competing factions vying for power over the universe, it's up to Paul to navigate his newfound power and influence to liberate the Fremen without giving into his power-hungry instincts.

If that sounds complicated, that's because it is. The book has long been deemed unadaptable even after lesser adaptations have come out thanks to the sheer density of the world building Frank Herbert committed to written word. However, this is where the two-part structure of the films

is a huge advantage. The first film suffered from pacing issues because it had to set up so much plot, but that means *Part 2* gets to hit the ground running and never look back.

The true strength of the film is simply how large it is; a massive cast of characters set against an expansive view of the galactic universe all vying for power in both violent and political conflict is never not wildly entertaining in Villeneuve's hands. His strength is in the sheer magnitude with which his story is told, a scale that frankly puts other modern

blockbusters to shame. It is a marvel of both adaptation and technical craft that a story of this size is not just comprehensible, but genuinely investing. However, this film, even with its predecessor, doesn't reach the heights it's reaching for because in its quest for scale the finer, character focused

details get glossed over, therefore denying the audience a truly satisfying experience.

Despite excellent performances from an all-time great ensemble cast made up of legends, and new up-and-coming talent in equal measure, the internal worlds of the most important characters are undeveloped relative to the lived in and tactile world they exist within. Despite this, *Dune: Part 2* represents generational levels of ambition, and with the conclusion of Villeneuve's *Dune* adaptation expected to release in the coming years, it should be considered mandatory viewing for anyone interested in film to see *Part 2* in the largest format possible. *Dune: Part 2* is exclusively showing in theaters. - 4/5 stars



Bradley is a Beech Grove High School alumnus and has been enamored by film for as long as he can remember. He recently graduated from IUPUI, with a degree in Media and Public Affairs with a minor in Film. Bradley can be contacted at [blane2214@gmail.com](mailto:blane2214@gmail.com).

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### SOUTHPORT

**Southport Theatre Spring Play** • Southport Theatre presents: *Empowered: How one girl scout nearly destroyed the world's economy.* Tickets are \$10. | When: March 14 and 15, 7 p.m.; March 16, 4 p.m. | Where: Southport High School, 971 Bantta Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-789-4800; [sopopad.wixsite.com/mysite](http://sopopad.wixsite.com/mysite)

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### SPOTLIGHT

#### OnStage Live! Cabaret Grand Opening Black-tie Gala

We're back! Bigger and better than ever! Our "new" theatre's Grand Opening Black-tie Gala is a celebration and it's one you don't want to miss! This special evening is a fundraiser to help our nonprofit theatre company cover a portion of our renovation costs that exceeded our initial estimates due to several unanticipated and very costly expenses.

This memorable evening on Saturday, March 23 will kick off with open-bar cocktails from 5:30 to 6 p.m. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served from 6 to 7 p.m. The theatre's dedication ceremony will be at 7 p.m. followed by an incredible two-hour show featuring a 14-member cast starting at 7:30 p.m.

OnStage Live! Cabaret is at 916 E. Main St., Greenwood, IN 46143 (in Vista Run).

Ticket donation is \$75 per person inclusive. Select your seats and book your tickets today! Seating is limited and available on a first come/first reserved basis.

For more information, call 317-300-0603 or visit [onstagelivecabaret.com/shows](http://onstagelivecabaret.com/shows).

On behalf of the board of directors, operations team, cast members, and crew ... we cannot wait to welcome you!



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### David Bailey



David Bailey, 61, passed away March 4. He is the son of Earl and late Geraldine Bailey. Survivors include his wife, Audrey (Daigle) Bailey of Canada; two sons, Jeremiah and Jonathan Bailey; two stepsons, Jason Ponier (Amanda) of St. Charles, Canada, and Eric Ponier (Lyne) of

Bouctouche, Canada; four brothers, Earl, Mark, Jim, and Christopher; and a sister, Debbie Evans (Miguel). There will be no service. A celebration of life will be held at a later time.

### David Brian Beeson

David Brian Beeson, 55, Indianapolis, died March 1. Survivors: wife, Christy; mother, Raylene (Ed) Angle; father, Gary Beeson; children, Jordan and Brandon Beeson, Ava and Nikolas Perry; brothers, Paul Beeson, Corwin Angle and Chad Lacy; sisters, Carla Tetreault and Amanda Jordan; grandmother, June Lefevre. Little & Sons Indianapolis.

### Wayne Noel Burns

Wayne Noel Burns, 68, Fairland, died March 9. Survivors: children, Juanita, Ricky Goode, Cathy, Raul Flores-Lopez, Beverly, Matthew Mangrum; 27 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; 13 siblings. Predeceased: wife, Cathy; great-grandson, Walker; three brothers. Visitation: 4-8 p.m., March 14, G.H. Herrmann East Street Funeral Home. Service: 1 p.m., funeral home.

### Robert Dale Burton

Robert Dale Burton, 71, died March 7 in Indianapolis. Survivors: wife, Anna; children, Robert Daniel Burton, Stacey (Chris) Vierling, April (Terrance Jackson), Adam Burton (Kara); 12 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; siblings, Kathy, Larry, Cheryl, Andrea, Gwen and Alana; extended family. Predeceased: sister, Dorothy. Forest Lawn Memory Gardens and Funeral Home.

### Brian Jay Catt

Brian Jay Catt, 61, McCordsville, died March 7. He was born Sept. 11, 1962, in Indianapolis, to the late Howard and Beverly Catt. Survivors: wife, Donna; sons, Nathaniel (Chelsea) and Jacob (Emma); two grandchildren; sisters, Nancy (Rick) Wright, Debbie (Jay) Danner, Brenda (Ralph) Reiff. Arrangements: G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

### Joan Eugenia Copenhaver

Joan Eugenia Copenhaver, 86, California, died March 9. Survivors: husband, Maurice Copenhaver; sister, Vicki Sorg; sons, Lester (Pam)

Elmore, Bryan Copenhaver, John (Teresa) Elmore; daughters, Karon (John) Fulton, Ann Jones, Dawna Copenhaver. Services: March 20, Southport United Methodist Church (see website at Little & Sons, Beech Grove for times).

### Alice Craig

Alice Craig, 92, Indianapolis, died March 5. Survivors: children, Michael (Debbie), Kathryn, and Patricia (Rusty) Smith; two grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews. Predeceased: husband, Jack; son, Jackie Craig Jr.; siblings, Wanda and Ray. Visitation: Thursday, March 14, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. service, Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

### Randy A. Dittmore

Randy A. Dittmore, 74, Indianapolis, died March 9. Survivors: wife, Connie; two daughters, Kim and Kelli; four grandsons; granddaughter; great-granddaughter; three sisters; extended family, friends. Predeceased: brother, Damon. Visitation: Thursday, March 14, 4-7 p.m., Forest Lawn Funeral Home. Graveside service: Monday, March 18, 11 a.m. Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

### Kevin L. Flohr

Kevin L. Flohr, 69, Indianapolis, died March 7. Survivors: wife, Helena (Susie) Flohr; daughter, Daisy Hemond; grandchildren, Will Flohr and Lynsey (LuLu) Hemond; sibling, Ronald (Sharon) Flohr; lifelong friend, Micheal Barnes; bestie, Eric Hensley; many nieces and nephews. Arrangements handled by G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

### Don Mack

Don Mack, 94, Indianapolis, died March 5. Don married Bertha Louise (Lady). Survivors: children, Steve (Sandy) Mack, Constance (Tom) Rea, Cheryl Rosier, Keith Mack, Donald Mack Jr. and Lori (Shane) Aldrich; 17 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild. Funeral service: Thursday, March 14, noon, Forest Lawn Funeral Home, Mausoleum Chapel.

### Carl S. Meade

Carl S. Meade, 64, Indianapolis, died March 6. Survivors: children, James (Angelique) Meade and Amanda Meade; six grandchildren; and three brothers, Jim Meade, Don Meade and Jeffrey Meade. Celebration of Life: Friday, March 15, 4-6 p.m., Forest Lawn Funeral Home. Private burial.

### Mildred "Millie" M. Morgan

Mildred "Millie" M. Morgan, 85, Indianapolis, died March 5. Survivors: children, Cathy, Roxanne, Leslie; stepdaughter, Doris; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren. Predeceased: several siblings; husband, Tom;

first husband (father of her children), Leslie Wright; son, Nicholas; stepdaughter, Linda; two grandchildren; great-grandchild. G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

### Michael Ray Nicholson

Michael Ray Nicholson, 75, Beech Grove, died March 5. Survivors: wife, Dorothy (Eckel) Nicholson; sons, Aric (Mija) Nicholson and Aaron Nicholson; two sisters, Kathy (Tim) Eicher and Janet Dyer; several nieces and nephews also survive. Services entrusted to Little & Sons Beech Grove.

### Kenneth Peterman

Kenneth Peterman, 85, Mooresville, died March 8. Survivors: children, Jim, Chuck, and Doug (Ashlee) Peterman; six grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; siblings, Charlene, William, Gloria, Stanley, Kathy, Delores, Mary, Teena, Elaine, Randall, Sharron, Henrietta, Frederick; nieces and nephews. Predeceased: siblings, Jacolyn, Barbara, Daniel, Roselin, Clarence Jr., Donald. Forest Lawn.

### Jack D. Reid

Jack D. Reid, 87, Indianapolis, died March 6. Survivors: daughters, Rebecca Reid Hockemeyer and Donna Long (Kevin); sons, Paul Reid and Eric Reid (Deanna); eight grandchildren; and sister, JoAnn Balza. Predeceased: wife, Marilyn; and sister, Nancy Stenger. Arrangements handled by G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

### Jimmie Ray Sexton

Jimmie Ray Sexton died March 9. He was born Feb. 5, 1950. Visitation: Thursday, March 14, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., service at 1 p.m., G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis.

### Lura Louise Shannon

Lura Louise Shannon, 87, Greenwood, died March 3. Survivors: children, Dennis Shannon, Brenda Shannon, Kathy (Greg) Dixon and Michael (Andrea) Shannon; 11 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren. Predeceased: husband, William "Bill"; and sister, Carolyn McBeth. Arrangements entrusted to G. H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home at The Gardens of Olive Branch.

### Eldon Eugene Van Meter Jr.

Eldon Eugene Van Meter Jr., 80, Greenwood, died March 6. Survivors: wife, Darlene; children, Laura Van Meter and Michelle Barrington; two grandchildren; siblings, Lloyd Van Meter, Elaine Foster; nieces and nephews. Predeceased: wife, Leah. Graveside service: Friday, March 15, 11 a.m., Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

*Basic death notices (up to 50 words) are printed free of charge. Personalized Obituaries exceeding 50 words will be charged at a rate of \$12 for the first 60 words and 10 cents for each additional word. Full-color photographs may be included for an additional \$10. Families/estates or funeral directors are encouraged to send obituaries and photos to [news@ss-times.com](mailto:news@ss-times.com). Information received by noon Tuesday will be published Thursday, space permitting.*



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Weekly Devotion



*Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.*

ISAIAH 60:1-2

I wasn't raised in church. Simple concepts understood by "Church Folk" appeared foreign to me at first. When I was young, I understood that if we accept Jesus as Lord of our lives then we would be saved. It sounded simple enough to me. If we say yes to the light, and no to the darkness of sin, then we get to go to heaven when we die. As a pastor, I have found that there is much more to becoming a Christian than just being saved. Salvation is not a destination; it is a holy way of living. It never dawned on me as a child that there are stages of Christian development, beginning with justification, salvation, followed by sanctification, and finally there is this culmination resulting in glorification. Christianity is not as much about

where we go from here when we die, but instead, it is about how we grow from here while we are alive. The answer is much simpler than the question. We grow toward the light! God is love, and when we shine His light, which is love, then we glorify His name. By God's mercy, the withholding of judgment for sin, and by His grace, the offering of something we could never earn, we are indeed redeemed, restored, and made whole. But made whole for what purpose? God's glory is the radiance of Christ's love. Our goal is not to just shine God's light. We are called to become God's light. Be the love that transforms the world!

**God bless and go and have a great day.**

*Pastor Dan Bailey is the chair of the Mayor's Faith Based Round Table for the City of Beech Grove, who believes in its mission statement to "Strengthen the Community with Christ's Love." He is a lifelong resident of Southside with his wife, four children and five grandchildren. He has also been a criminal investigator for the last 30-plus years for the Public Defender Agency.*



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Roncalli recognizes outstanding students

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Row 1 (left to right): Cing Paal, Toni McClain and Jenna Stone. Row 2 (left to right): Molly Resler, Gracie Cromer and Madeline Daming. Not pictured: Andrew McHugh, Julianna Riddle, Yasmin Salazar and Chris Stanley. (Submitted photo)

AROUND TOWN

Artlett celebrates passage of bill to support child advocacy centers

On Thursday, Feb. 28, the House accepted Senate changes to House Bill 1123 which is now heading to the governor's desk to be signed into law. HB 1123 aims to support child advocacy centers across the state. Child advocacy centers help kids subject to neglect or abuse get the resources they need. These advocacy centers work with the Department of Child Services, prosecutors, and law enforcement and are specifically equipped to help investigate in a way that works with the child and does not cause further trauma. "In the state of Indiana, approximately 60 children die every year from neglect and abuse," State Rep. John L. Bartlett (D-Indianapolis) said. "What is not counted in that death toll is all of the suffering children

endure in these horrendous situations. Child advocacy centers are essential to make investigations go smoothly because they are specifically suited to work with children in a way that avoids any further trauma. Hurting a child is one of the most despicable things one can do in this life. The perpetrators of child abuse and neglect must be brought to justice and put behind bars as swiftly as possible. Child advocacy centers are one of the best tools we have to prevent abuse from happening by aiding prosecutors catch the abusers. I am proud to have supported this bill. House Bill 1123 will make Indiana a safer state and protect children from harm." For more information about child advocacy centers, visit incacs.org.

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- Professional training on blood loss techniques
- Lecture by expert in the field
- Information on how to obtain bleeding control kit

Participants completing the hands-on skills validation will receive a certificate of completion.

Classes are scheduled for: Thursday, May 23, Tuesday, August 13, and Wednesday, Oct. 9, and are held at the Franciscan Health Education Center, located at 421 N. Emerson Ave. in Greenwood.

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**Center Grove Show Choirs take home Grand Champion awards at Carroll Classic 2024**

The Center Grove Show Choirs took Grand Champion awards for the univoice and mixed show choir divisions at the Carroll Classic 2024. The Debtone and Sound System generated great energy and showmanship on the stage as they worked to perfect and fine tune the competitive shows for this 2024 season. Awards included: Debtone: Best Visuals & Best Vocals = Grand Champions; Outstanding Performer: Shriya Jain; Best Tech Crew; Sound System: Best Visuals & Best Vocals = Grand Champions; Outstanding Performer: Lily Rau; Best Male Soloist (Large Mixed Group): Cooper Peters; Best Female Soloist (Large Mixed Group): Izzy Green; Anna DeLuna: Second Runner Up Solo Comp. The Center Grove Choir appreciates the support from parents, patrons, and volunteers as this program takes a huge community to provide excellence on and off the stage.



CG Show Choirs performed a successful season. (Submitted photo)

**ON CAMPUS**

**Dean's, president's lists students named for UA fall 2023 term**

A total of 13,950 students enrolled during fall semester 2023 at The University of Alabama were named to the dean's list with an academic record of 3.5 (or above) or the president's list with an academic record of 4.0 (all As). The UA dean's and president's lists recognize full-time undergraduate students. The lists do not apply to graduate students or undergraduate students who take less than a full course load.

**Local students include:**

- Hope Rider of Beech Grove (46107) was named to the dean's list
- Sydney Clements of Greenwood (46142) was named to the president's list
- Alexandra Dafforn of Greenwood (46143) was named to the dean's list
- Grace McCarty of Greenwood (46143) was named to the dean's list
- Carter Reynolds of Greenwood (46142) was named to the president's list
- D'Niya Fleming of Indianapolis (46237) was named to the dean's list
- Ali Miller of Indianapolis (46227) was named to the president's list

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