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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE: What are the names of the four sisters in "Little Women"?
- U.S. STATES: Which north-eastern state has a desert?
- MOVIES: Which long-running movie series features the character Legolas?
- ANATOMY: What does the lacrimal gland produce?
- GEOGRAPHY: Ellesmere Island belongs to which nation?
- SCIENCE: Which of the human senses is most closely related to memory?
- LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "ad meliora" mean?
- TELEVISION: Which TV sitcom features a mom named Rainbow Johnson?
- THEATER: Who wrote the play "A Little Night Music"?
- MUSIC: Which alternative rock band went by the name of The Warlocks before becoming famous?

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Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

* There's a territory in Costa Rica called Territorio de Zaguates, or Land of the Strays, which is basically a huge, no-kill dog shelter where one can hike for free with the canines.

* In 1970, actor Bill Murray joked to a fellow airline passenger that he had two bombs in his bag. The jest backfired when U.S. marshals searched his luggage, discovered \$20,000 worth of marijuana, and arrested him.

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Winters brings maturity to DC's defense



By Steve Page Correspondent

Decatur Central football coach Kyle Enright looked for experience in his search for a new defensive coordinator. He appears to have found that in Brandon Winters.

"Brandon will be a huge addition to our staff after the departure of Max Goodin," Enright said. "He has eight years of experience as a head coach in Marion County and 13 years of experience as a defensive coordinator."



Kyle Enright

Winters succeeds Max Goodin, who left to become head coach at Indian Creek.

He comes to DC after head coaching stints at Southport and Beech Grove.

Winters coached the Cardinals from 2016 to 2020, compiling a record of 27-22. His 2016 team (6-5) won a sectional game before being ousted, as did his 2019 team (7-4). He coached Beech Grove from 2021 through last season, going 12-19. The Hornets (5-6) won their sectional opener in 2023, defeating Monroe Central 42-28 before falling to Mount Vernon.

"Coach Winters has served as the IFCA Region 7 Director and has been selected to coach in the North/South All Star Game," Enright said of Winters' association with the Indiana Football Coaches Association.

He is a 2002 graduate of Southport High School and earned his teaching degree from IUPUI in 2008.

"Brandon has a ton of experience and has coached with and learned from some of the best coaches in the state," Enright continued. "He has great communication skills, is highly organized, brings energy and passion to the field every day and is a great family man."

Winters is already making his presence felt.

"He has jumped right in over the last two weeks and gotten right to work building relationships with staff and players," Enright noted. "Brandon's passion for the game and commitment to mentoring young players is unmatched, and we are very excited to have him join the Hawk staff for the 2024 season!"

Decatur Central announces top students

Submitted article

Decatur Central High School has announced the top academic achievers for the Class of 2024. Those students are co-valedictorians Kylie Dalton and Aissatou Diallo and salutatorian Kamia Moore.

Kylie Dalton, Co-Valedictorian

Kylie Dalton is the daughter of Jennifer and Richie Dalton. She holds a 4.59 GPA and is a member of both the National Honor Society and the National Technical Honor Society. Kylie currently serves as treasurer for the NHS and volunteered in various school and community events through the organization. She played volleyball at DCHS all four years, while also playing club volleyball two of those years.



"My best high school memory was last year when my volleyball team beat Mooresville for the first time in years," she said. "We were not projected to win, but won in the fifth set and the crowd was going crazy," said Kylie. As a senior, Kylie earned All-State Academic Honors for Volleyball.

Kylie, who attended West Newton Elementary School and Decatur Middle School, will attend Indiana University Bloomington this fall, where she has earned direct admission into the Kelley School of Business.

She plans to major in Accounting, Finance, and Business Analytics.

"Thank you to my family for always supporting me and my friends for keeping me sane through high school when I was stressed about tests," shared Kylie. "I am Decatur Proud because I love the culture here, the people I've met, and the connections I've made."

Aissatou Diallo, Co-Valedictorian

Aissatou Diallo is the daughter of Thierno Diallo and Thimann Jallah. She earned a GPA of 4.59 and was a member of the DC Color Guard all four years. Aissatou spent the first semester of her senior year in Korea, where she was able to shadow many surgeons and anesthesiologists at a military hospital. She also visited Vietnam and Thailand during this time.



In addition to this amazing experience, Aissatou also shared that, "My favorite high school memory was the prom last year at the zoo." Aissatou attended the Blue Academy and Decatur Middle School before DCHS.

Aissatou will attend Indiana University Bloomington in the fall, where she will major in Biology. She then plans to advance to medical school in order to become an anesthesiologist.

"I would like to thank my parents, Michelle Coar with the IT Department, and my color guard coach Harley

Blane," said Aissatou. "Thank you to all of my teachers for giving me a good experience and chances while supporting me."

Kamia Moore, Salutatorian

Kamia Moore is the daughter of Talisa Shirley and Gary Moore. She earned a 4.5 GPA in her time at Decatur Central. Kamia is a member and president of the National Honor Society at DCHS. She attended the Blue Academy and Decatur Middle School.



Kamia's best high school memory was during the COVID-19 pandemic her freshman year of high school. "I was in a zoom meeting for English and fell asleep," she said. "Ever since then, I've always been up and on time for everything."

In the fall, Kamia will attend Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU) in Tallahassee, Fla. She plans to major in psychology, and will then pursue a doctoral degree to become a clinical psychologist.

"I want to thank my mom, because she gave me motivational speeches and pushed me hard to get everything done on time and the right way," said Kamia. "I also am thankful for my best friends for evening it out and encouraging me."

She is Decatur Proud because, "the school keeps me very entertained and interested. There are always new things and people."

Collins new superintendent for Decatur

Staff report

Scott Collins has been unanimously approved by the School Board of Trustees as the new superintendent of the Metropolitan School District of Decatur Township.

Collins will assume the role beginning July 1.

"I am excited about becoming a part of a school community that is Decatur Proud!" Collins exclaimed. "As I have met with members of the community, school staff, administrators, and the school board, the love and passion for Decatur Schools is so evident. There are many great things happening in Decatur, and I am looking forward to joining the Decatur family!"

Collins brings a wealth of experience with over 28 years in education, including service as a teacher, principal, personnel director, finance director, and assistant superintendent of learning. He currently serves as the superintendent of Fayette County School Corporation, where he has led the district for eight years. During his tenure in Fayette County, Collins has overseen multiple construction and renovation projects, opened an early learning center which provides free preschool for all students, created an alternative school program serving students in grades 7-12, and realigned core curriculum in grades K-12, including the implementation of the Science of Reading.

Prior to his return to Fayette County, where he served for one year as assistant superintendent before his transition to superintendent, Collins served over eight years as a building principal in the Avon Community School Corporation. Before his move to Avon, he served in Fayette County as a building principal for a short time before transitioning into central office, where he oversaw personnel and finance. Collins also served as a principal in Spencer County and as a teacher in Wayne County and Warren Township.

Collins holds a bachelor's degree from Indiana University, master's degrees from Ball State University, and an Ed.S from Indiana State University. He is currently completing his dissertation for his doctoral degree, with conferment in the summer of 2024.

The Decatur Township School Board of Education collaborated with the university superintendent search team to screen and interview candidates for the position. Larry Taylor, school board president, said, "We took into account community and staff input and survey results and approached the selection process focused



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— New Superintendent **Scott Collins**



(SUBMITTED PHOTOS) New Metropolitan School District of Decatur Township superintendent Scott Collins (wearing tie) joins the school board for pictures. They are (from left) member Chase Lyday, secretary Dale Henson, vice president Estella Vandeverter, Scott Collins, member Judith Collins and president Larry Taylor.

on finding the best candidate to serve and advance the school district. Scott Collins emerged as our top candidate, bringing considerable experience as a superintendent and in additional administrative roles. We, as the school board, confidently look forward to great future success for the MSD of Decatur Township with his leadership."

Looking toward the future, Collins emphasized, "Our students deserve the very best opportunities to prepare them for career and college success. Now, more than ever in education, we must be visionary and creative in finding ways to support and teach our students while best utilizing the resources available through funding, community partnerships and grant opportunities.

"I want to ensure that we are able, as a team in Decatur, to provide as many resources as possible in our classrooms, fine arts, and athletic programs. I have devoted my career to the students and families that I serve, and I cannot wait to start in Decatur Township!"

Collins, along with his wife, Ashley, and their children, plan to relocate to Decatur Township from their current home this summer.

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Roncalli hands CG first loss; PM sweeps Battles of Perry Twp.

By Al Stilley
Editor

With first-year coach Tony Vittorio, Roncalli's baseball team handed No. 1-ranked and undefeated Center Grove its first loss of the season Friday at the Royals' field.

Host Roncalli held a 6-0 lead after four innings and had to hold off a Trojans' rally on fan appreciation night. CG pushed across three runs in the fifth inning and two more runs in the sixth. The Royals held the visiting Trojans without a run in the top of the seventh for their eighth win in 10 outings.

Sophomore Gannon Grant drove in three runs for the Trojans and junior Carson Bush drove in a solo run Friday. Senior Leo McEnulty closed with two scoreless innings.

CG recovered from its first loss after 12 straight wins by defeating visiting Castle in a 12-11 thriller Saturday. The Trojans exploded for five runs in the first inning and led 11-7, but Castle pushed across three runs before CG closed the door.

BATTLES OF PERRY TWP.

Perry Meridian captured the baseball Battle of Perry Township against rival Southport, 3-2 Friday at Holder Field.

Falcons' pitcher Jayden Simpson struck out seven Cardinals over five innings while giving up six hits and two earned runs. Four different Falcons had at least one hit against Southport.

Cardinals' pitcher Nick Godsey went the distance, gave up only two earned runs on four hits and struck out 11 Falcons. Teammate Riley Matlock scored one run and was on base for three of four plate appearances. Calvin Miller went 3-for-4, stole a base, and scored one run.

The Falcons (6-4) journeyed to Avon Saturday for a double-header, defeating Decatur Central, 3-2 but losing to the host Orioles, 6-1.

Meanwhile, Southport (2-4) fell to visiting Franklin, 13-9 Saturday at Holder Field.

At the softball field Friday, Perry Meridian (2-7) erupted for eight runs in the first inning and defeated Southport, 14-2 in five innings

at the Holder Field complex.

The Falcons' 13-hit attack was led by Lydia Hartman and Addison Berry with three hits apiece Hartman and junior Karsyn Nau each drove in three runs.

Southport (3-6) was busy at the plate with 10 hits off PM's Lucy Richardson but could push across only two runs.

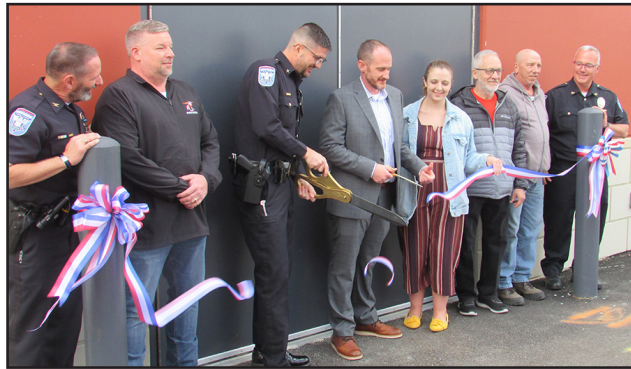
CG CLAIMS ANNUAL MILLIGAN CLASSIC

Also Saturday, Center Grove's rapidly improving softball team edged Bedford North Lawrence, 8-7 and later dominated Columbus North, 19-1 to capture the annual Russ Milligan Classic.

CG's Sydney Herrmann and Riley Janda led the Trojans against the Bulldogs. Herrmann fired two home runs and drove in six RBI. Janda got on base in all four of her plate appearances, hit a triple, and drove in three runs. Taylor Barrett slammed a home run and drove in two runs.

The Trojans are 10-6 and have won six of their last seven games.

RIBBON CUTTING OPENS BG POLICE TRAINING CENTER



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY AL STILLEY)

Beech Grove Mayor Jim Coffman with city dignitaries and police officers cuts the ribbon to formally open the police department's new indoor tactical range and training center located behind police headquarters at South Emerson Avenue and Main Street. The 8,000-square foot facility features an indoor firing range that also features digital firearms training with scenarios of 180 degrees that police officers can use from 15 yards away. The range was dedicated in honor of the late Beech Grove police officer Danny Farnsworth whose widow and son received a plaque in his memory. BG Police Chief Robert Maurice explained that the range can be utilized by area police departments and attract the nation's best tactical instructors. Coffman pointed out that the police department is at full force with 39 officers.



Personal Recollections

By Fred Shonk & Simon

CALIFORNIA JACKIE

Our family had a fleet of school buses that we contracted to Perry Township Schools in the mid 50s through the late 60s. At that time, the district had started their own fleet and purchased ours.

When it had become apparent that we would be selling our buses, I began making contacts regarding employment opportunities. I also attended a school bus driver training conference in New York City that was quite an experience.

Within a few days, I had been hired as a driver trainer and safety instructor for The Community School Bus and Charter Bus System located in Stanton, California.

I arrived in Southern California well before the school year started and got busy. The company had more than 600 buses and several trainers. We worked extremely hard that first semester and into the new year. I noticed that most of the training upgrades to larger equipment had been completed.

One day, my supervisor asked me to ride with a new driver on her route. He explained that she was the fourth driver assigned to that route that year. After riding with her for several days, it was apparent that she had her hands full with this unruly group of students. She resigned after a few more weeks.

I was asked to take over that route for a while. The toughest route was the junior high route. Those students lived on and around the El Toro Marine Base in Irvine, California. I got along pretty well with most of the student riders and did not have many problems finishing out that school year.

There was one student, Jackie, who was a handful. She would argue about anything and everything. She would stand up for any students being picked on and she had an opinion on whatever was being discussed. There were days when she would be loudly arguing even after leaving the bus. I would just close the door and drive away.

After a couple of years in California, I had the opportunity to return home (Indianapolis) and help start a wonderful driving school business in Broad Ripple. We used simulators to teach beginners both adults and teenagers plus we offered advanced training for company employed drivers.

One afternoon when entering I-465 from U.S. 32 from the Southside, I passed a hitchhiker. I had never considered picking up a hitchhiker before, but this time I stopped. The person got into the car without a word and did not even look in my direction.

I was stopped on the berm of the entrance ramp. I looked at the young lady for a couple of minutes and finally said, "Jackie". She finally looked my way and as we made eye contact, she started crying.

It was, indeed, Jackie. She had been hitchhiking from her home in California trying to get to Maryland to reconnect with her birth father. She was tired, exhausted and a bit scared.

I called in to our office and took the remainder of the day off.

We got something to eat, and Jackie told me some stories about her trip. We then called her mom. Later that afternoon, I purchased Jackie a Greyhound Bus ticket back to California.

I think she was feeling much better as I took her to the bus station that evening. I never heard from Jackie after that, but I still think of her every time I use that ramp onto I-465.

Shonk is a 1960 graduate of Southport High School, a '63 grad of Indiana Central College (now the University of Indianapolis) and a retired bus driver from Beech Grove Schools. He can be reached through email at fdshonk@aol.com.

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Easy Ways to Begin Exercising This Spring

By Sarah Stelzner, M.D.
Eskenazi Health

While we know exercise is good for us, we might not know how little of it can significantly improve our mental and physical health. Consider a 2022 study led by Matthew Pearce, Ph.D., in JAMA Psychiatry. Study participants doing what amounted to an hour and fifteen minutes of "brisk walking" weekly were associated with an 18% lower risk of depression compared to those who did not exercise.

In other words, small changes can improve your health.



If you are only doing a little or no physical activity, start with doing more of what you already do. Called habit stacking, this practice helps ensure you stick with exercise. This practice is hard to start, but you will find the changes worthwhile once you start feeling more flexible and energetic.

Write down your regular routines for 30 days, as the American College of Lifestyle Medicine (ACLM) recommends, noting possibilities for daily changes. Be sure to review your activities without judgment. Once you have a handle on your activities, adapt and add a few more. You can even strengthen your core while brushing your teeth if you do balance exercises at the same time.

If you are an avid gamer, move around more. The 20-8-2 rule might not always fit perfectly into your game play — that is, 20 minutes sitting, eight standing and two exercising — but you can get close. While watching baseball or a favorite television show, make some silly moves. Do a dance with your dog when the umpire makes a bad call or when a dating show participant mentions "my journey." Add jumping jacks between dishes you are washing. Just think of these moves as purposeful fidgeting.

Maybe you usually gather with friends at a diner weekly. Meet them on alternate weeks at a park for a walk or jog instead of or in addition to your meal. You can find helpful lists of trails at <https://www.indianatrails.com/marion-county>. Social connectivity is a pillar of good health according to the ACLM, so why not combine socializing with exercise? Take advantage of nearby offerings as well, such as the Eskenazi Health Healthy Me program (<https://www.eskenazihealth.edu/programs/healthy-me>). See additional habit-stacking ideas from the American Heart Association at <https://www.heart.org/en/healthy-living/healthy-lifestyle/habits/fit-bits>.

The recommended amount of exercise per week according to The Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans (located at health.gov) is 150 minutes of moderate or 75 of vigorous aerobic exercise. As many as 1 in 10 premature deaths could be avoided if we were able to complete half that amount according to a study led by Leandro Garcia, D.Sc., in the February 2023 issue of the British Journal of Sports Medicine.

Little steps might not be exciting, but they can quickly become permanent fixtures in your life, unlike the week you tried Tae Bo or CrossFit. Such steps can become so automatic that they do not feel like exercise at all. Even better, once you add motion to everyday habits, you will find it so much easier to add more.

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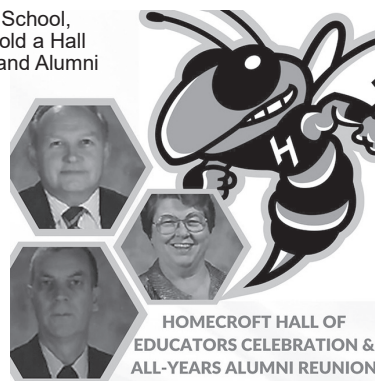
HOMECROFT ELEMENTARY REUNION AND HALL OF EDUCATORS CELEBRATION

Homecroft Elementary School, 1551 Southview Dr., will hold a Hall of Educators Celebration and Alumni Reunion on Friday, April 26, from 5-7 p.m.

The Hall of Educators will honor William Greathouse, Jean Ann Carson, and Dwight Taylor.

All three taught at the school when it first opened in 1957. The celebration of the honorees will begin in the gym at 5:30 p.m. with school tours to follow.

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HOMECROFT HALL OF EDUCATORS CELEBRATION & ALL-YEARS ALUMNI REUNION

ANNUAL BGHS FFA PLANT SALE

The annual Beech Grove High School Future Farmers of America (FFA) plant sale will be conducted Saturday-Sunday, April 27-28 and Saturday, May 4, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the greenhouse in front of the high school. The sale continues until all plants are sold.

HOT HORNS AND ORGAN CONCERT

A free public concert by the Hot Horns Brass Quintet and organist Drew Worthen unfolds in dramatic sounds Saturday, April 27 at 2 p.m. at Greenwood United Methodist Church, 525 N. Madison Ave. The unique combination of brass and the Hauptwerk organ features a variety of symphonic works. The concert is sponsored by the church's music ministries, donations accepted. Patrons will have time afterward to visit shops or dine in Old Town Greenwood. Another free concert featuring the Crossroads Brass Bands at the church Saturday, May 11 at 3 p.m. Info: www.greenwoodumc.org.

C-P COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

A community-wide panel discussion with Whiteland and New Whiteland town and Clark-Pleasant school representatives unfolds Saturday, April 27 at 2 p.m. at the Clark-Pleasant branch library, 350 Clearwater Blvd., Whiteland. Local police and fire departments also will be represented. This is an opportunity for the public to learn more about public safety in those communities. Info: https://jpln.libnet.info/evnt/9625997.

BG SCHOOLS BELIEVE 2024

Beech Grove City Schools wants to thank the community for their support with Believe 2024 activities at the Beech Grove High School Cafeteria Wednesday, May 1, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The event for Beech Grove parents and students features a free dinner, snacks, music, and giveaways in an open-house format. RSVP: https://bgcs.k12.in.us/believe-2024/

OVERACHIEVERS 5K RUN

The trailhead at Sarah T. Bolton Park is the starting point of the second annual Overachievers 5K Run, sponsored by the Grove Trotters Saturday, May 4 at 8 a.m. Entry is only \$10 per person. Register online at: hornetparkcommunitycenter.com.

Reminiscing

By B. Scott Mohr
A retrospective glance at the Southside
From *The Spotlight* and
The Southsider Voice archives

60 Years Ago This Week — 1964

Harlow Hickenlooper, the local host of "The Three Stooges" TV show, appeared at Indianapolis Public School 31's spring bazaar and fish fry.

The folks from General Electric erected a huge "bubble tent" at Southern Plaza so J.C. Brill Appliances could host a sale that featured 23-inch black-and-white console TVs for \$158 and 19-inch portable sets for \$112.88 with a trade.

The Perry Township School under construction in the 400 block of East Stop 11 Road would be named in honor of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who had recently died.

The starting pay at Perry Township Schools for a teacher with a bachelor's degree was \$5,150.

Safeway Quality Foods, 1202 Prospect St., advertised pork roast for 39 cents a pound; pork chops, 59 cents a pound; 20 pounds of taters, 99 cents; and seven cans of applesauce, \$1.

50 Years Ago This Week — 1974

The PTA of Burkhart Elementary School was planning its 17th annual garden tour.

Officials from Indiana Central College reviewed their blueprints for a \$6.25 million library and media center.

Charles Sonnenberg, vice president of Kennedy Tank & Manufacturing, was elected president of the Steel Tank Institute, which represented companies that fabricated vessels of all sizes.

Manual seniors and twins Mark and Tonya Campbell were crowned king and queen of the school's powwow.

40 Years Ago This Week — 1984

Harold Jordan, a 1929 graduate of Southport, was named the school's inaugural Alumnus of the Year. He had been a state and national figure in the promotion of farmers co-ops for many years.

Dorothy Reinacker Monroe was Manual's Alumnus of the Year. She was a graduate of Butler and a teacher at Manual. Monroe and her husband, Harry, had two daughters, Peggy Standish and Mari Monroe.

Residents of Carriage Estates, adjacent to Stop 11 Road and Shelby Street, held their annual neighborhood garage sale.

30 Years Ago This Week — 1994

Tri-Land Properties purchased Southern Plaza and planned to invest \$4 million in the shopping center at 4202 S. U.S. 31. The center suffered a 37 percent vacancy rate.

Erica Conway, Morgan Landis, Amy Fiedman, Breanne Stroub and Kelli Bush from Dancedreams Studio took top honors in tap, ballet and jazz during a regional dance competition. They were the students of Jenna Casselman.

Matt Tebbe and Kristen Conkin starred in Roncalli's production of "Guys and Dolls."

The AAU basketball team for 10-year-olds from Burkhart and MacArthur elementary schools finished its season with a fine showing in the state tournament. The squad featured Jay Sandefur, Nick Heneger, Robert Funk, Rob Cox, Scott Wenclawicz, Billy Sering, Brandon Moore, Matt Hogan, Kirk Coltrhan, Ross Baron, Cody Bell, coaches Ed Vargas, Paul Weaver and Bruce Moore.

20 Years Ago This Week — 2004

C. Bruce Haddix was named Manual's Alumnus of the Year. Haddix served as principal of McClelland Elementary School in Decatur Township and was the music director at Center United Methodist Church. He and his wife, Ann, had two children, Katie and Emily, and two grandchildren, Jared and Julianna Beehn.

A van veered off the East Thompson Road and crashed into Perry Township Fire Station No. 1. The damage wasn't extensive, but the motorist was transported to Methodist Hospital, where she was listed in stable condition.

The first recorded pair of bald eagles nesting in Indianapolis produced the city's first eaglets. Department of Natural Resources photographer John Maxwell confirmed two chicks in a nest at Southwestway Park. A second nest had been sighted near White River in Decatur Township.



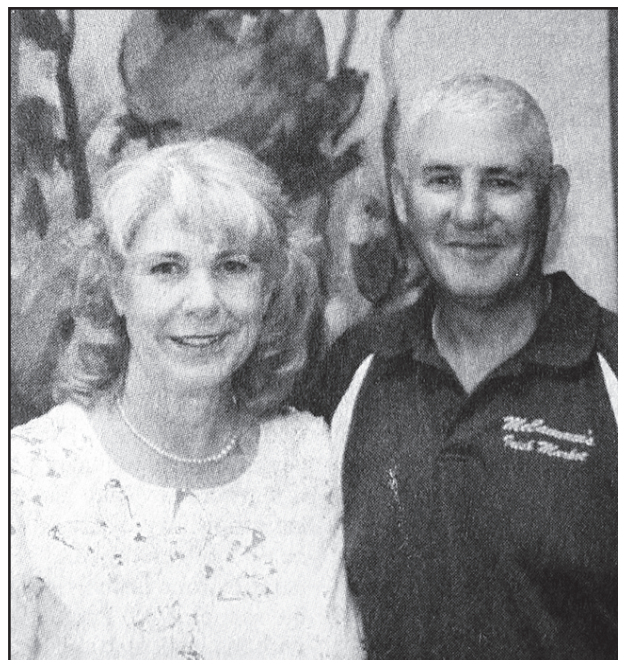
Southport seniors Dani Sylvester and Nick Stanton were crowned queen and king during the school's prom. Members of the court were Eric Bockelman, Brent Rosenberg, Brian Cairns, Andy Busch, Jimmy DuPriest, Rachel Kriese, Whitney Dulla, Jennifer Zinsler, Elayna Knight and Kim Rhodes.



The Indy Air Bears qualified to compete in the USA Jump Rope National Championships in June in Orlando, Fla.

10 Years Ago This Week — 2014

"It's not a good fit for the location." That was the overwhelming consensus of nearly 125 people who showed up at a meeting to voice their disapproval of CSL Plasma opening a branch at the southwest corner of Madison Avenue and Southport Road.

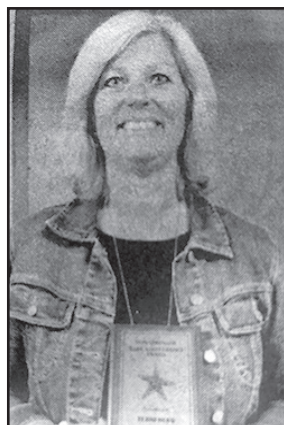


Mary Jane Key and Garry Ward opened a garden center - McGammon's Irish Market - on State Road 135 in Greenwood.



Roncalli's Students of the Month were (front, from left) Mariesa LaRosa, Caroline Armbruster, Corey Matthews, Guillermo Caldera; back) Abby Bowling, C.J. Heugel, Kevin Lemmel, Matthew Steadham, Hannah Bowman, Joe Gervasio, Austin O'Gara, Grant Duncan, Michael Zedrick and Nicole Hensley.

Beech Grove High School named Gabriella Fangman, Katie Strzelecki and Kaitlyn King as its cheerleading coaches.



Terri Reed, a teacher at Southport Middle School, received the Thomas Springer Making a Difference Award for going above and beyond to make a difference in the lives of her students.

Reminiscing is popular amongst The Southsider Voice readers. Enjoy!

Terri Reed

OBITUARIES

JAMES T. BURNETT, better known as Jim or Jimmy, entered into eternal life at the age of 71 on April 16, 2024. A resident of Indianapolis he was born on July 17, 1952 in Beech Grove to the late Herbert Burnett and Barbara Joann Burnett Marshall.



Jim was a 1971 graduate of Center Grove High School. Jim owned and operated Victory Towing for 21 years, he ran the wrecker service for the Indianapolis Speedrome, Indiana State Fair, and Marion County Fair. Throughout his career he was a Yellow Shirt at the Indy 500/Brickyard for 30 years.

Jim leaves behind to treasure his memory, his brother, Dave (Pam) Burnett; his sister, Janet Keil; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother-in-law, David Keil.

Services were held on Monday at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 5141 Madison Avenue, Indianapolis and a graveside service immediately followed at Mt. Pleasant Greenwood Cemetery, 734 N. Morgantown Road, Greenwood.

Jim was the cousin of Sally Burnett, and he moved in with her and helped her care for her mother when she became ill. Jim touched the lives of so many around Indianapolis. His heart was so full and he was so giving.

A friend, Merrill "Doc" Simmerman shared, "Jimmy assisted the Southport Masonic Lodge Fish Fry many years even though he was not a member of the lodge. He was also active with the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) in Perry Township. He was always ready and willing to help others when he saw a need."

PAID OBITUARY

BRENT LANE BOWERS, 63, parents, Twylia and Jason Bowers; siblings, Brian (Kris) and Barry Bowers.

He graduated from Perry Meridian in 1979. Brent participated in swimming and track all four years of high school. He was honored as a Hoosier Scholar and was a member of the National Honor Society. Brent was an engineering student at Purdue and Georgia Tech.

Brent had a soft spot for animals and enjoyed raising his parrot. He had an outgoing personality and intelligent nature. A visitation was held at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

BRADLEY J. BRANDUM, 76, widower of Michelle Brandum; sons, Patrick and Daniel Brandum; brothers, William "Bill" and Mark Brandum.

Brad retired from Allison's GMC after 35+ years. He was a graduate of Beech Grove High School. He was a dedicated musician and played several instruments, but his favorite was his five-string banjo. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved fishing, hunting, and was a master of traditional archery. Brad was a dedicated and loving husband, father and friend. Visitation was held at Little & Sons Funeral Home.

BARBARA FASIG BRYAN, 82, husband, Arthur; children, Greg (Florence) Bryan, Deborah Bryan Young; two grandsons. She graduated from Greenwood High School in 1960 and attended Indiana State University, where she met her husband. Services conducted at Indiana Funeral Care, Greenwood.

STEPHEN "LYNN" CHARNES, 78, wife, Elizabeth "Betty" Charnes.

Lynn worked at St. Vincent Hospital and Mid America Labs for 40 years after his time in the Air Force. A visitation took place at Little & Sons Funeral Home.

PATRICIA "PAT" ANN CLARK, 83, widow of Gary Clark and Charles Roembke; children, Steve Mosier, Melissa and Charles (Heather) Roembke Jr.; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

She graduated from Southport High School in 1958. Pat worked at Sears and Roebuck as an accounts clerk and then was a secretary for North Grove Elementary. Pat enjoyed boating and fishing with her family, crafting, painting and light woodworking. Pat had a contagious smile and an uplifting personality. Her quirky laugh and family-oriented nature will be missed. A funeral took place at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

PAUL GREGORY COX, 51, wife, Beatrice Cox. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, where he was deployed on the USN Zeus, to serve our country. His honorable services are very appreciated! Paul will be greatly missed, but not forgotten. Visitation was held at G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

RICHARD LEE ELLIS, 91, wife, Marilyn Ellis; children, Vicki Hurley, Lisa Fleming, David Ellis; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

Richard was in the typewriter business 43 years before retiring in 1998. He owned and operated King Typewriter Agency for 35 years. He attended Butler University before serving in Germany with the U.S. Army.

Visitation will be Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 12:30 p.m. until the memorial service at 2:30 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

SHERRI SHANNON MCVEY EWING, 63, mother, Carolyn (Richard) Glowner; brother, Michael Shannon; sons, Timothy (Suzanne) Jr., and Anthony McVey; two grandchildren.

She graduated from Beech Grove High School in 1978. She

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worked at Wavetek as an executive administrator for 10 years. Sherri loved spending time with her grandkids, cooking, baking, playing games on her phone, watching late-night television and her two cats.

Arrangements entrusted to G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

ETHEL FAURIS, 82, daughters, Sherry Fauris and Fawn Runner; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters, Ruth Black, and Nancy Vest.

Ethel was known for her vibrant personality and unwavering sense of humor. She had a passion for singing, even though it might not have been pitch-perfect. Her loved ones will remember the joy she brought with her enthusiastic performances. She enjoyed road trips, spending time at casinos and dinners with friends. A special bond existed between Ethel and her grandchildren during their adventures on the open road. Services took place at Indiana Funeral Care, Greenwood.

PATRICIA BREWER HUSSEY, 89, husband, Raymond; children, Paul (Eileen) and Stephen Hussey (Sheila); five grandchildren; brother, Michael Brewer (Alene).

She was a substitute teacher in Perry Township for over 20 years. Pat will be remembered for her beautiful smile and strong faith in God. She was an active member of Friedens United Church of Christ. Arrangements entrusted to G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

GLORIA SHEPARD KRAIGER, 97, widow of Frederick Kraiger; children, Pamela Eades (Dennis), Kyle Johnson (David), Frederick Kraiger (Robin); six grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren.

Gloria married Frederick in 1946 after he returned home from serving in the Army Air Forces during WWII.

Her passion was fashion. She owned and operated Gloria's Fashion Shop in Fredonia for years. She enjoyed choosing the latest fashions in New York City to hang on the racks in her shop. She enjoyed many years filled with birthdays, anniversaries, and holiday gatherings of their large family. Visitation took place at G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

RONALD WILLIAM KRAMER, 61, wife, Mary Jane Kramer; children, Maxwell, Theodore, Kathryn, Kimberly, and Karen; one grandchild; mother, Mary Kramer; siblings, Debora (Carl) Porter, Dianne (Richard) Berk, Paula (Dan) Miller, Colleen (Tim) Johnson, Rhonda (Mike) Jackson, Pamela (John), and Paul (Nancy) Kramer. Ron graduated from Roncalli in 1980, and then Purdue. His career led him to places such as Kraft and Eli Lilly. He received a certificate to teach science at Greenwood Christian Academy. He was an Engineering Consultant at Corteva AgriScience. Ron's Catholic faith was extremely important to him. Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Home handled arrangements.

WILLA GENE MEDSKER, 87, widow of Floyd "Bill" Medsker; children, Vicki (Gary) Clark, David (Cathy) Medsker, Linda (Vu) Luong; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; 24 great-great-grandchildren; sisters, Eunice Medsker, Mary Thurman.

Willa was an assistant school nurse's aide and bookkeeper at Greenwood Community Schools for many years. She was a member of the Fifty-Year Club of Manual High School and a member of Honey Creek Church. She loved to play cards and bingo. Visitation took place at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Home.

RONALD LEROY NEWSOM, 85, children, Anne (Newsom) Houdashelt, David, Jeff, Tim and Brian Newsom; 13 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

He graduated from Sacred Heart Catholic School in 1956. Ronald joined the U.S. Air Force where he served for five years. Following the Air Force, he was employed by Crete as a truck driver. Ronald enjoyed wrestling, racing and watching sports of any kind.

Ronald loved his family deeply. They describe him as kind, caring and socially strong.

Newcomer Funeral Home was entrusted with services.

ROSEMARY RICHARDSON, 99, widow of Floyd Richardson; daughters, Marilyn (Paul) Janzaruk and Debra Harvey; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren. Visitation was at G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

JENNIFER ANN RUE, 40, children, Brooklyn and Bryson Bell; parents, Russell and Jennifer Rue; sister, Aimee Morris (Jay).

Jennifer graduated from Perry Meridian High School, class of 2001. Then she attended Central Nine Career Center where she received her certified nurse's aide certification.

She enjoyed time spent outdoors and fishing. Jennifer adored her children and loved spending time with them. She had a soft spot for animals and was known to rescue animals in need. Jennifer was thoughtful and helped others when she was able. Newcomer Funeral Home was entrusted with arrangements.

CATHIE BOOHER RUSH, 77, husband, Leslie Rush; sons, Leslie "Les" III and Gary Rush; brother, Larry Booher (Alva); five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Cathie graduated from Emmerich Manual High School in 1982. She worked for CVS as a warehouse order picker and retired in 2014. Formerly, Cathie worked as a cashier at Sears Outlet for 10 years. She loved spending time with her family and cherished her children and grandchildren. Visitation took place at Newcomer Cremations.

ROBERT JOSEPH SPICUZZA, wife, Vicki; children, Salli (John) Wolf, Sara, and Robert (Lindsey) Spicuzza Jr.; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; brothers, Gus (Marilyn) and Jason Spicuzza.

Robert served his country with honor in the U.S. Navy before embarking on a 36-year career in advertising with the *Indianapolis Star*. He was known for his commitment to excellence and creativity in everything he pursued.

He was a member of Holy Name Catholic Church where he found solace and community. His love for sports brought him closer to friends and family as they cheered together. O'Riley-Branson Funeral handled arrangements.

RHONDA SUE STEPHENS, 55, daughter, Jessika Jordan-Stephens; life partner, Heather Engelking; father, Bobby Joe Stephens, Sr.; siblings, Stephanie and Bobby Joe Stephens, Jr., Richard Law and Mary Cook (Jason).

She was a proud U.S. Air Force Veteran, a member of Eagles Aries #4167, and belonged to the IAA. Rhonda was the Director of Maintenance for Pedcor Corporation. Final arrangements handled by Little & Sons Funeral Home.

MADELYN "LYN" TEMPLETON, 84, husband, Bob Templeton; children, April (Mike) McCracken, Brooke Templeton, and Lindsay (Bret) Hardin; five grandchildren.

Lyn and Bob were married for nearly 62 years. She walked with Jesus in life and loved helping others do the same. She served in Bible Study Fellowship for many years and was a Biblical counselor with Rod and Staff Ministries.

A celebration of life will be May 9, 2024 at Crosspoint Community Church from 1-3 p.m. with service starting immediately after. G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home handled arrangements.

PATSY L. WEAVER, 87, widow of W. Raymond Weaver; children, Teresa Halsted, Debbie Densley and Janet Shelton; four grandchildren; siblings, Ann Stone and John Alvey.

She enjoyed bingo and walking. Visitation was at G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

Dog trainer changes the lives of K-9s and their families

By Bob Kelly
Feature writer

Ken Weadick loves dogs. A native of Richmond, Indiana, he graduated from Centerville High School and moved to Indianapolis more than 20 years ago. He came to the area working as a Behavior Consultant for individuals with developmental disabilities. This eventually led to serving as Chief Clinical Officer of Greenwood headquartered, Cornerstone Autism Center, an ABA therapy provider. The education and experience proved to be invaluable in his future endeavors with man's best friend.

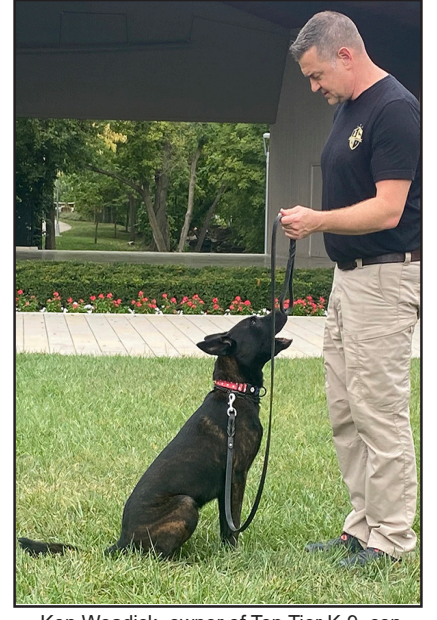


(SUBMITTED PHOTOS) Ken Weadick and Dexter taking a break in Old City Park in Greenwood.

He received his master's certification from Top Tier K-9 Academy for Dog Trainers. Top Tier K-9 uses a science-based balanced approach to training according to a description on its website. Also, training includes a complete evaluation and defines the needs of your dog. He told *The Southsider Voice* he is open to the public and is ready to train. "We customize a training plan for a dog to what the family wants and needs. Most training is conducted in a two or three-week format," Weadick said. "We offer board and train and day training options depending on the needs of the dog and their owners." He described several instances where Top Tier K-9 was able to help families. "We have helped clients who have physically not been able to walk their overly exuberant dogs transition to loose-leash walking, instilled confidence in dogs who were fearful of new places and people, and of course supported families simply wanting to integrate their ill-mannered but well-meaning dog more fully into their lives."



Weadick hanging out with Dexter in Old City Park in Greenwood.



Ken Weadick, owner of Top Tier K-9, conducting a little spring training out at Amphitheater Park in old town Greenwood.

"I loved what I was doing at Cornerstone and am really proud of the work they are continuing to do, but after 25 years in the field I found myself being pulled toward a new challenge," Weadick told *The Southsider Voice*. Weadick opened Top Tier K-9 January 2023 in Greenwood and explained one reason for opening the facility. "I love seeing the difference training can make in a dog and for the lives of family members."

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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're doing better on a flexibility issue, but you still need to loosen up a bit to show that you can be less judgmental and more understanding about certain sensitive matters.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your personal aspect continues to dominate this week, but try to make time to deal with important career-linked matters as well. A change of plans might occur by the weekend.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Excuses are not really needed for much of the confusion occurring this week. However, explanations from all parties could help in working things out to everyone's satisfaction.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A surprising (but pleasant) recent turn of events continues to develop positive aspects. But be prepared for a bit of a jolt on another issue that needs attention.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Creating a fuss might bring you the attention that you want. But are you prepared for all the explaining you'd have to do? Better to use more subtle ways to make your bid.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) With education continuing to be a strong factor this week, this could be the time to start learning some new skills that can later be applied to a bid for a potential career move.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might do well to

reconsider some of your current priorities before you get so deeply involved in one project that you neglect meeting the deadline on another.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) With an important decision looming, you need to be careful about the information you're getting. Half-truths are essentially useless. Get the full story before you act.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Find out what everyone's role is expected to be before accepting a

workplace proposal. Getting all the facts now could prevent serious problems later on.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A flexible position on a workplace matter could be the best course to follow during the next several days. A personal issue also benefits from an open-minded approach.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Involving too many people in your workplace problem can backfire. Remember: Allegiances can shift. Ask trusted colleagues for advice, but don't ask them to take sides.

PISCES (February 19

to March 20) Before submitting your suggestions, take more time to sharpen the points that you want to make. The clearer the presentation, the more of a chance it has to get approved when submitted.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your clear sense of who you are gives you the confidence you need for tackling difficult situations.

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PUZZLE ANSWERS SEE PAGE 8

King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 "House" actor Omar
 - 5 Nick and Nora's dog
 - 9 Mountain pass
 - 12 Mend socks
 - 13 "— to differ!"
 - 14 Flamenco cheer
 - 15 Marmaduke, for one
 - 17 Allow
 - 18 Realm
 - 19 Protuberances
 - 21 French article
 - 22 Filled fully
 - 24 Gear teeth
 - 27 Understood
 - 28 Hoodwink
 - 31 Scary cry
 - 32 Flying saucer
 - 33 Perch
 - 34 Attempt
 - 36 Knock
 - 37 School support orgs.
 - 38 Object (to)
 - 40 Battery size
 - 41 Ibsen's Gable
 - 43 Golfer Sorenstam
 - 47 Land in la mer
 - 48 Bruce Springsteen hit
 - 51 JFK regulator
 - 52 "Her" actress Rooney
 - 53 Taj Mahal site
 - 54 Unwell
 - 55 Melville mariner
 - 56 Detergent
 - 20 British ref. work
 - 22 To date
 - 23 Perched on
 - 24 "NCIS" ailer
 - 25 Sound of delight
 - 26 Bargain
 - 27 Mentor
 - 29 Zadora of "Hairspray"
 - 30 Roswell visitors
 - 35 Slugger Williams
 - 37 Bamboo eaters
 - 39 Molten rock
 - 40 Some
 - 41 LP player
 - 42 Israeli airline
 - 43 Basra resident
 - 44 Shakespeare villain
 - 45 Actress Sedgwick
 - 46 Pronto
 - 49 — -di-dah
 - 50 Mouths (Lat.)
- DOWN**
- 1 Rim
 - 2 Italian cheese, for short
 - 3 Ready, as for surgery
 - 4 Slowpokes
 - 5 Staffer
 - 6 Govt. loan agcy.
 - 7 Toe count
 - 8 Representative
 - 9 Pricy powder
 - 10 Sheltered
 - 11 Favorites
 - 16 Three, in Rome

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HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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CryptoQuip answer

Popular web reference work filled with articles about the world's various evils: Wicked-pedia.

— **Weekly SUDOKU** —

Answer

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TRIVIA

Answers


1. Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy.
2. The 40-acre Desert of Maine.
3. "The Lord of the Rings" and "The Hobbit" trilogies.
4. Tears.
5. Canada.
6. Smell.
7. "Toward better things."
8. "Black-ish."
9. Stephen Sondheim.
10. The Grateful Dead.

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Thought for the Day: "Don't spend time beating on a wall, hoping to turn it into a door."

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