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Isaiah 41:10 (NLT)



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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. LITERATURE: What is the name of the kingdom in "The Princess Bride"?
2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: In British royalty, what is King Charles' family name?
3. TELEVISION: Which TV sitcom features Sheldon's catchphrase "Bazinga!"?
4. U.S. STATES: Which U.S. state is home to the Awatovi Ruins, a national historic landmark?
5. HISTORY: According to a WWII government slogan, what sinks ships?
6. GEOGRAPHY: What is the name of the small principality that lies between Spain and France?
7. ANATOMY: Which part of the brain controls hunger?
8. LANGUAGE: The Latin word "caput" refers to what part of the human anatomy?
9. SCIENCE: Which color has the longest wavelength in the visible spectrum?
10. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary alcohol used in margaritas?

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ANSWERS ON PAGE 10

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

* If stored correctly and not contaminated, honey can last for thousands of years without spoiling.
 * A piano's frame is made of iron.
 * Though T-shirts have existed since the late 1800s, the plain white version gained popularity as a wear-alone garment thanks to Marlon Brando's portrayal of Stanley Kowalski in the movie "A Streetcar Named Desire."
 * One out of every seven American jobs is related to transportation.

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College Basketball Blitz

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Surber, Berry earn basketball honors



(PHOTO SUBMITTED BY DC ATHLETICS)
 Basketball coach Bryan Surber and athletic director Justin Dixon celebrate Surber's honor as Mid-State Conference Coach of the Year.

By **Steve Page**
 Correspondent

For the Decatur Central boys' basketball team, the hits just keep coming.
 Bryan Surber has been named Mid-State Conference coach of the year after the Hawks shared the championship with Franklin Community.

Senior do-it-all guard KC Berry, for the second straight season, has been named to the Marion County All-Conference second team. The Hawks have actually won the conference title for the last three years, but this is the first time Surber has been named top coach.

"It's a staff award," Surber insisted. "I have the best staff from top to bottom. I have coaches that believe in Decatur Central basketball. We work hard for our kids and our community."

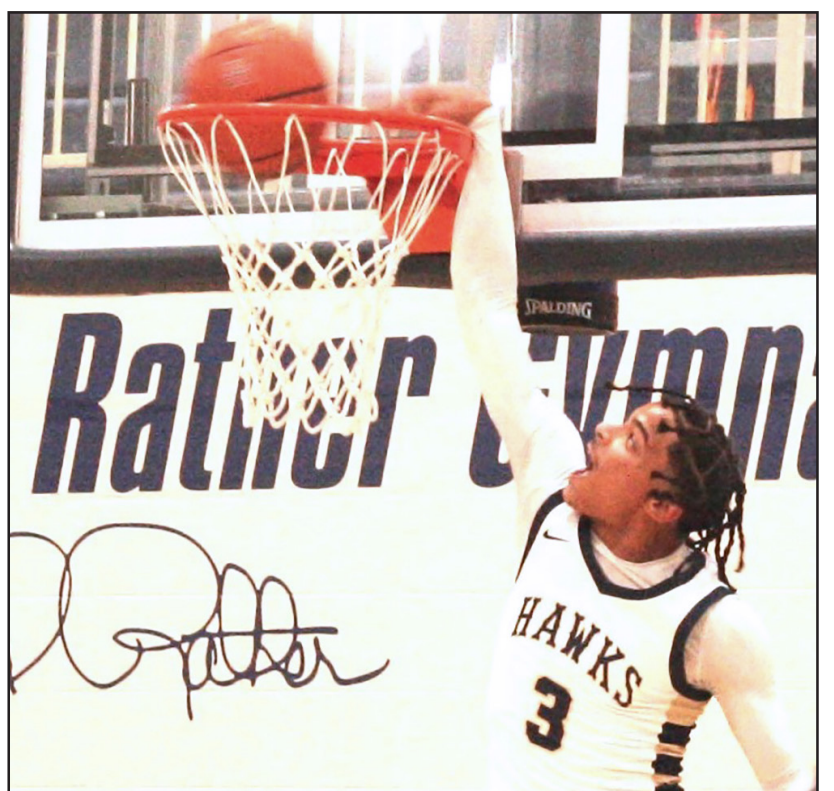
"It also says a lot about our players and their commitment to the program." That staff includes varsity assistants and brothers Matthew and Michael Brown, Noah Ray, Dave Stinson, Tony Tate (head freshman coach), Steve Smith and Chad Ison. They all work closely with strength coach Adam Lane.

"This is a tough conference, so this is a great honor."

– Justin Dixon



Bryan Surber (right) and varsity assistants Matt Brown (foreground) and Michael Brown (glasses) watch from the bench with fellow assistant Dave Stinson (behind Michael Brown).



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTOS BY STEVE PAGE)
 KC Berry exults as the 6-foot Decatur Central senior jams the basketball through the hoop in the Hawks' home game with Roncalli.

Athletic director Justin Dixon, who promoted Surber from an assistant position to the head post four years ago, is proud.

"This is a tough conference, so this is a great honor," Dixon said. "Give credit to Bryan and to his staff. Under their leadership, this has happened, so it's well-deserved."

"He was an assistant for 20 years. This is his third year as head coach. Looking at his staff, 7 through 12 (grades), the quality of the people he has put in place, not just as coaches, but the quality of human beings has put the kids in such a place."

It's been a pretty good place for the last three seasons. In MSC play, the Hawks have gone 17-4 in Surber's three seasons. Overall, they're 41-29.

"Winning conference three years in a row is a huge accomplishment for our program," Surber said. "I think it says a lot about the coaches I have in place from seventh grade to varsity assistants. I know I'm biased, but I believe I have the best staff around."

No argument from Dixon there. "When they work as hard as they do with the kids, it's an easy group to root for," he said. "They work so hard. I think it's a special basketball program. At our school, you've got to embrace the multi-sport athletes."

"There are two things I credit: There's no bigger supporter of our football program than our basketball coach. He wants the kids to play football as well. He's at every game."

"And they're 100 percent buying into Adam Lane's sports performance program."

Berry honored

For the second straight season, Berry earned a spot on the All-Marion County second team.

He led the Hawks in scoring at 16 points per game, in total points with 351 and in free-throw percentage at 69 percent. Berry was second to Tyreese Burnett in assists at 2.1 per game and 46 for the season, and second to Nash Sigmund in 3-point percentage at 39.

"He was a four-year starter," noted Surber. "Being able to have KC has been a pleasure."

As well as those coaches. "It's a program award," Surber said of the Mid-State bauble. "I'm lucky to be able to lead it."

Hawks lose one football coach, gain one

By **Steve Page**
 Correspondent

Indian Creek's gain is Decatur Central's loss, but the move was inevitable, according to Hawk football coach Kyle Enright.

Max Goodin, the Hawks' defensive coordinator for four seasons, has taken his skills to Indian Creek, where he will become the Braves' new head coach.

Obviously, Enright has feelings of ambivalence.

"I am extremely happy for Max and his wife Mackenzie and can't wait to follow his career as a head coach," Enright said. "They will be loved in that community and make a lasting impact on the lives of so many young people."

As they did at Decatur Central.

"On the surface, they are getting a young, energetic, quirky, highly organized and cerebral Mike McDaniel-like coach who the kids will run through a brick wall for," Enright said. "But underneath, they are getting a savant of sorts, a coach with a creative defensive mind whose



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY STEVE PAGE)
 Defensive coordinator Max Goodin (left) and head coach Kyle Enright join Decatur Central players in celebrating their semi-state championship at Devere Fair Stadium.

scheme is undefined and who utilizes his players to the best of their abilities, similar to Bill Belichick. High praise, I know, but that's the best comparison I can give. In other words, the Hawks are gonna miss Max Goodin."

Goodin graduated from Mooresville in 2011, where he was coached by Mark Bless, who left for Avon before retiring in 2022. Goodin first coached at DC in 2017 before coaching two seasons at Lafayette Central Catholic. He then returned to DC as the Hawks' defensive coordinator.



(PHOTO COURTESY INDIAN CREEK ATHLETICS)
 Max Goodin, his wife, Mackenzie and daughters Sydney (left) and Charlotte are all smiles after Goodin took the post as head football coach at Indian Creek.

He served in that role until taking his first position as head coach at Indian Creek. He succeeds Casey Gillin, who left to return as an assistant for his father, Mike Gillin, at Mooresville.

Goodin joins new superintendent/placekicking coach Matt Prusiecki, who just retired from DC to move to Indian Creek.

There's more.

(See "Football coach," on Page 4)

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Decatur-Perry Township girls inspired at motivational STRIVE brunch



The first STRIVE luncheon attracted a combined 19 girls Saturday from Decatur Township and Perry Township Schools.

(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTOS BY AL STILLEY)



Prominent innovative speakers at the inaugural STRIVE luncheon for middle school and high school girls included, from left, Kelly Gunnels Valines, University of Cincinnati Health Medical Trauma Center; Brittany Gross, Indiana Department of Health division service program manager; Southside author L.C. Young; Jeana Jefferson, master of ceremonies, Decatur Middle School; and Aspen Lovejoy, Perry Township Schools language arts teacher.

By Al Stillely
Editor

One by one, girls from Decatur Township and Perry Township attending the inaugural STRIVE brunch Saturday were asked what they were passionate about.

The answers varied but ranged predictably from helping people, shopping, art, writing, cooking, singing and more.

The all-female invitees took part in a three-hour get-together that nourished their desire for self-esteem and empowerment. Along the way Saturday, they met other girls who face similar challenges.

"The value of today is for these girls to be surrounded by positivity and by positive women and to understand that we all have a village," explained Jeana Jefferson, community liaison at Decatur Middle School. "This enables them to realize they can learn from people outside their normal routine."

Jefferson served as master of ceremonies at the brunch that featured five speakers who emphasized the acronym of STRIVE:

- Strong
- Talented
- Resilient
- Intelligent
- Victorious
- Ever-evolving

Jefferson revealed the many adult women in her life growing up that urged her to see the good in life.

"Women helping women; girls helping girls," she said. "You have many cheerleaders in your corner – family, friends, community – learn from them. But first, you must love yourself before you can be loved."

The unique session at the Perry Township Schools Compass Education Center was motivational in every which way: from a wrist corsage for each participant, plastic pink toy eyeglasses to help them focus, and the opportunity for new friendships with female students and adults.

They were asked what they were passionate about by Aspen

Lovejoy, a Perry Township elementary school teacher, as she emphasized their "journey of self-discovery."

Lovejoy urged, "You are important; you are valued. Your doubts are lies that are keeping you from being strong. Believe in yourself; lift yourself up. Failure is not the end, it is a stepping stone to success."

Kelly Gunnels Valines of the University of Cincinnati Health Medical Trauma Center has personally and professionally witnessed the trauma of violence. She was a victim of childhood and adult abuse, suffered the loss of a brother who was murdered, admitted to teenage rebellion, and at the age of 17 years, gave birth to a baby boy.

"My past does not dictate my future," she said while professing her faith. He (God) pursued me in all my brokenness. He placed amazing people in my life to encourage me and who gave me great counsel on my life's journey, and He is still doing it today. He will do the same for you all as well."

"The words resilient and intelligent fit together as a hand is to a glove. To be broken, to go through problems and difficulties and hard times is to be resilient and willing to get wisdom ... you are not alone on your journey we call life."

Southside author L.C. Young capped the inaugural STRIVE brunch by urging attendees to write down one stepping stone that serves as a personal movement on their mountain to reach for 2024.

She said, "Whatever it is you want to grow in, improve on, write it down. Anything you see for yourself in your life, write it down; but it has to be something you have to accomplish for you ... nobody can choose success except for you."

Most girls did not know what to expect from the motivational women speakers and the brunch, but they emerged with new friendships.

Haley Shirey, a student from Southport High School, admitted that she expected to hear positive words of encouragement and was not disappointed.

Ja'merria Loyal, a Decatur Central High School freshman, stated, "I didn't know what to expect, but once I got here and met other people, I saw how we lifted each other up. Empowerment, that's supporting each other."

Brunch was provided by City BBQ. Corsages were from Loretta Norris. Male students from the Compass Education Center served as hosts and ushers. The STRIVE brunch was an event of the Southside-based IAMGEOH, Inc., and coordinated by Young and Jennings.

Decatur Township Schools' Jeana Jefferson provides her introductory remarks at STRIVE luncheon at Compass Education Center in Perry Township.

Each girl attending inaugural STRIVE luncheon received a complimentary wrist corsage.



Personal Recollections By Fred Shonk & Simon

Uncle Wiggily Longears

A few weeks ago, my article was about my father's milk route that took him out into the farm country, picking up eight 10-gallon cans of fresh milk from dairy farmers and delivering it to a local Indianapolis dairy – a seven day a week job, including holidays.

As a young boy, I liked that he would be home and finished for the day at about 2:20 in the afternoon, with the exception of a day or two of some maintenance on his truck. He needed to always be well ahead of any maintenance problems, because for a few years, it was our only vehicle.

I remember family rides to grandparents' houses and also to visit cousins. My sister was incredibly young at that time. I remember her sitting on mom's lap and I was seated between mom and dad.

My family has always been a newspaper reading family. Because my father started his milk route so early, we subscribed to *The Indianapolis News*. There were three daily newspapers in Indianapolis at that time. *The Indianapolis Star* was a seven day a week, morning newspaper. *The Indianapolis News* was a six day a week afternoon paper. The same company owned them. *The Indianapolis Times* was also an afternoon paper.

Most afternoons, our father would sit down in his favorite chair to read the paper. This was a time before much television news was available. He would read for a while and then he would call my sister, Kathy, and myself over to climb up onto the big soft arms of his chair and he would read the funnies to us.

I remember that he picked a few of the comic strips that we might understand and enjoy. After we finished with the comics, there was a daily story posted on the comic pages section of the newspaper. It was about an elderly rabbit.

Uncle Wiggily Longears was the main character in a series of children's stories by American author, Howard R. Garis. He began authoring these stories for the *Newark News* in 1910. He penned an Uncle Wiggily story every day for more than 52 years and published 79 books in his lifetime.

My sister and I listened to Uncle Wiggily stories six days per week for several years. It was so wonderful family time. I can close my eyes and see my sister seated on the opposite arm of dad's chair while we are listening to a story.

A number of years ago, when our grandsons were young, I thought about Uncle Wiggily. I looked him up on my computer and that is when I found out about Howard R. Garis and that he had lots of Uncle Wiggily books published and available for purchase.

I ordered one of the books and was incredibly pleased when it arrived. I read it a couple of times and took me right back to the left arm of my dad's chair. I did not remember the exact stories, but each different character that appeared allowed my memory to cause a smile.

Soon, I introduced my grandsons to Uncle Wiggily. We read stories for several years. I loved doing that. It was nice to sit quietly with the boys and share those stories.

Several years later, our Therapy Dog, Stuart, and I were doing reading programs at a couple of the Beech Grove City Schools. A few times, I took the Uncle Wiggily book, and I would read a couple of stories to a group. The kids loved it.

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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OBITUARIES

ROBERT E. BLANFORD, 92, sister Jeannine Binder; many nieces and nephews.
Robert served his country in the U.S. Army. He worked for Eli Lilly and Company in receiving and distribution for 36 years, retiring in 1993. He was a member of the St. Mark Catholic Church. His favorite pastime was playing golf.
Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Thursday, March 21, 2024, at O'Riley-Branson Funeral Home.

JOANN BUSALD, 94, widow of Harold Busald; children, Marcia (Michael) Hendrickson, Garry Busald; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.
She was a longtime member of St. Barnabas Catholic Church and recently a parishioner at St. Jude Catholic Church. JoAnn was an avid reader, enjoyed crossword puzzles, attending musicals, and camping. She took great delight in attending sporting events and recitals her grandchildren participated through the years. The consummate mother and grandmother, JoAnn will be fondly remembered by her family as a true sweetheart and for her loving and caring nature.
O'Riley Branson Funeral Home handled arrangements.

PHYLLIP "PHIL" B. CAMPBELL, 80, widower of Lindalee Campbell; children, Todd (Haggis), Steve (Kelly), and Jennie (Sam) Campbell; three grandchildren.
Phil received his Master's degree in education from Indiana University, where he was in the IU Marching 100. He owned and operated 500 Tours Inc. and Campbell's Highland Grille.
He loved spending time with his family, cookouts, and watching his grandkids sporting events. He enjoyed watching the Colts, IU football and basketball, walking his dog and talking with neighbors. He was very fond of chocolates.
Arrangements handled by G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

THOMAS D. COMI SR., 69, wife, Betty Jo; children, Katherine, Timothy, and Thomas Jr.; five grandchildren.
Tom had a great passion and respect for law enforcement and military. He was an avid hunter and enjoyed spending time in the woods. Tom enjoyed Civil War history, cooking, baking bread, woodworking, and knife making. He adored his grandchildren. He loved attending their sporting events. Tom's favorite things were sharing anything from his garden or food he made from scratch.
A memorial will be from 2-4:30 p.m. Sat. March 23, 2024 at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory, Greenwood.

MARJORIE ANNE WHITE COTTRELL, 66, husband, Rich Cottrell; children, Brandon (Brooke), Aaron, and Bradley Cottrell, Elise (Robert) Viergut; siblings, Edward (Cathy), Kevin (Elizabeth), and Gene (Linda) White, Tina Burch; four grandchildren.
She dedicated 31 years to Community Pediatrics as a medical receptionist. Her home was always open, and friends were welcome to home-cooked meals. She enjoyed jigsaw puzzles, gardening, and time outdoors. Her favorite holiday was Christmas. Marjorie will be remembered for her strength, dedication, and love.
O'Riley Branson Funeral Home handled arrangements.

THELMA "T.C." ROACH CULLISON, 84, brothers, Lloyd (Barb) and Keith (Jackie) Roach; daughters, Penny Leeson and Marcy Weidman; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren.
She worked as the first female security guard at Eli Lilly and Co., retiring in 1993. Thelma loved her family and friends and was a member of the American Legion Post 276, Beech Grove Eagles, Beech Grove Moose Club and Eastern Star Lodge. She enjoyed traveling and feeding and the birds and squirrels that frequented her front porch. She lived life to the fullest.
Little & Sons Funeral Home handled arrangements.

RANDY A. DITTEMORE, 74, wife, Connie Dittmore; daughters, Kim (Jorge) Castaneda and Kelli (Chad) Nornington; five grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; sisters: Deborah Brizendine, Tamara Mackenzie and Cheryl Kistler.
Randy graduated from Southport High School and served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a Masonic member. He worked at IPL for 33 years.
Visitation was at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

WILLIAM E. ECKSTEIN, 80, widower of Sharon (Meisberger) Eckstein; children, Kevin Eckstein and Kim Morrow (Aaron); five grandchildren.
William retired from Yellow Freight Systems. Bill attended St. Roch Catholic Church. He was a fan of Indiana University, car racing, and golf. He played a crucial role in the 1961 New Marion Panthers basketball team hitting the shot that secured the sectional championship. Bill rarely missed any of his grandkids sporting events and school activities. He had close friendships with the Legion, and the Southside Corner Bar.
Arrangements were provided by Lauck & Veldhof Funeral Home.

RICHARD G. HOYT SR. 76, widower of Barbara; sons, Colby, Robert and Richard Hoyt, II; three grandchildren.
He was a graduate of Southport High School. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army and National Guard from 1966 until 2004. He was employed with Citizens Gas Company and retired after 30 years. He enjoyed bowling and going hunting and fishing with his sons.
G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home handled arrangements.

JOAN P. KIRKHOFF, 63, children, Patrick (Brandi) Kirkhoff, Maryann (Thomas Skupien) Kirkhoff; three granddaughters; siblings, Jeannie (Trent) Bower, Patricia (Geoffrey) Mitchell, Marty (Rose), Mark (Susan) and Phil Stephens.
Joan was a relentless fighter as she was battling breast cancer. She was a faithful parishioner of St. Barnabas Catholic Church for 30 years. She could often be found on her porch sitting with her four-legged companion "King", along with her prayer book. Joan dedicated her life to raising her children and was happiest when spending precious time with her family.
O'Riley Branson Funeral Home was entrusted with arrangements.

MICHAEL P. MAXWELL, 91, widower of Mary; sons, John (DeAnne), Andrew (Patricia Clark), Christopher (Sheila), and Michael Maxwell Jr. (Sarah Fowler); seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; siblings, Mary Jane Biro and Paula Koch.
Michael was an architect and long-time associate professor and professor emeritus at Purdue University. Teaching was one of his favorite parts of his life.
He served in the U.S. Air Force as a commissioned officer. Mike and Mary were among the earliest members of St. Jude Catholic Parish Church and School.
O'Riley Branson Funeral Home handled arrangements.

NANCY SIMPSON PIGMAN, 93, widow of Richard Pigman and Frank Laszlo; daughter, Deborah Pigman; two grandchildren.
Visitation will be Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. service at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

DOLORES J. ELSEA RATHBUN, 87, daughter, Laurie Lambert (Richard); one granddaughter.
Dolores lived at Greenwood Health and Living in Greenwood. She graduated from Manual High School in 1955, then attended Indiana Central College. She worked as a Secretary for Eli Lilly.
Her hobbies were planting flowers, woodworking, crafting, bowling and golfing. She was a Colts fan and golf enthusiast. She enjoyed shopping, dining out and camping. She owned many cats over the years and adored them all.
A celebration of life will be noon-3 p.m. Saturday, March 23, 2024 at Newcoomer Creations, 925 E. Hanna Avenue.

JACK D. REID, 87, widower of Marilyn (Fields) Reid; children, Rebecca Hockemeyer, Donna Long (Kevin), Paul and Eric Reid (Deanna); eight grandchildren; sister, JoAnn Balza.
He graduated from Manual High School in 1955. He was an electrician for Miller-Eads Co. After retiring, he worked at the Statehouse as a doorkeeper for the House of Representatives and Senate.
He was a lifelong member of University Heights United Methodist Church. He had a laugh and a smile that could light up a room and always tried to bring joy to those around him.
Services took place at G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

JIMMIE RAY SEXTON, 74, wife, Brenda Sexton; son, Jimmy (Zora) Sexton; brother, Larry Sexton; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.
He worked for Wonder Bread as a Baker for 42 years, (or as he would always tell us 42 years 10 months and 9 days). He was very proud of his accomplishments during his years there. He enjoyed fishing, camping, and watching Western movies.
G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home was entrusted with services.

WILNA ELLEN STILLMAN, 87, widow of William Stillman; children, Lynn (Neil) Henry, William (Sandy), Martin (Jessee) and John (Caryn); 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren.
Eileen worked for the Franklin Township Community School Corporation for 30 years and was an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church. She also served on the Indiana Selective Service Board for 20 years. Her role as an attentive mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother was dearest to her heart. She especially enjoyed working outdoors, sewing, quilting, and creating a custom Christmas stocking for each member of the family.
Wilson-St. Pierre Funeral Home handled arrangements.

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
Half of the front-page news was devoted to Holy Week services.

Dr. Phyllis Zerfas, a general practitioner and the wife of Dr. Charles Zerfas — also a family doctor — announced her candidacy for state representative.

50 Years Ago This Week — 1974



The Sahara Grotto's Women's Auxiliary hosted a style show. The models were (seated, from left) Lucille Bates, Marjorie Hurlley, Kate Haggard; (standing) Karen Graves, Dorothy Dunn, Janice Reiner, Kay Irwin and Shirley Bates.

The new Southport Library opened at 2630 E. Stop 11 Road; it was previously located at 6949 Madison Ave. The facility featured 70,000 volumes, a 125-seat auditorium and a kitchenette. As part of the grand-opening celebration the movie "Brian's Song" was shown.



St. Jude Grade School's basketball team finished its season with a 21-0 and won the Indiana Archdiocese championship. Coached by Bob Kirkhoff, Vic Sahn and Bob Robisch, the squad featured (in no particular order) Mike Sahn, Mike and Jeff Kirkhoff, Chuck Weisenbach, Jerry Kochoer, Brian Feldman, Don Miller, Dave Allen, Mark Stempf, Mike Guerrini, Tony Wilson, Ron Schludedeker, Richard Harvey, Nick Wehlage, Mark Janke and Dave Mappes. The cheerleaders were Andy Treipen, Karen Moore, Bernadette Keller, Mary Linda Sanchez, Dayna Challis, Lisa Carter, Barbara Caret, Marianne Quill, Mary Schubach, Traci Puntarelli, Karen Turk and team mascot Lisa Carter.

Goodwill Industries celebrated the grand opening of its new store at 2740 Madison Ave.

40 Years Ago This Week — 1984

St. Mark Grade School's Academic Olympics team won the city Catholic tournament by defeating Christ the King. The squad consisted of Eric Bilitz, George Spaeth, Jeanne Higgins, Robert de las Alas, Mark Schmalz, Kelly Kennedy, Eileen Mullin and coaches Joy Bilitz and Mary Ann Chamberlin.

My dad, Hank Mohr, and brother Robbie, Jerry Cosby and Ken and Renee Sprague were the guests of Frank Hubler for a three-day trip to Las Vegas. I recall Jerry telling me that Robbie lost all his money in the first three hours.

Twin brothers Joe and Jim Egenolf, part owners the Koenig/Bauer/Egenolf factory on South East Street, were presented honorary deputy certificates from Marion County Sheriff Jim Wells for manufacturing a two-story, \$3.8 million printing press, which could print up to 60,000 copies an hour.

Linda Mallendar, daughter of Chuck and Athena Mallendar and a 1981 graduate of Southport High School, earned her third letter as a member of the Miami of Ohio basketball team. She averaged 9.8 points a game and 5.2 rebounds.

30 Years Ago This Week — 1994

The color guard, pictured right, from Center Grove High School took first-place honors at the state meet. The squad included (front row) Amanda Pitcock, Jenny Ross, Erin Kerr; (back) Julie Wiesman, Carrie Nickelsberg and Tracy Carison.



Standing before the junkyard of the former M. Metals Salvage Co., Mayor Stephen Goldsmith announced an aggressive plan to clean up what had become labeled as the city's worst polluted property. The abandoned site at

1829 S. Dawson St. was littered with scrap iron, old tires, rusted barrels, appliances, furniture and underground tanks.

Police detectives were seeking clues in the murder of John Garner, who was slain at Hix Wrecker Service, 3200 Bluff Road.

The fifth-grade basketball team from Burkhart Elementary School finished its season 10-0. The squad featured Justin Pannell, Todd Lenet, Jason Smith, John Kent, Chad Mitchell, Adam Webb, Josh Dill, Brent Reed and coach John Webb.

Chrystal Mehta, a fourth-grader at Bunker Hill Elementary, and her mother, Charu, met Attorney Gen. Pam Carter when they visited the Statehouse.

20 Years Ago This Week — 2004

Southport High School athletic director Jean McArdle was presented the Marion Archer Service Award for promoting equal opportunities for all athletes.

Attorney and University of Indianapolis professor Steve Maple announced his candidacy to run against incumbent Mike Murphy in the Republican primary for House District 90.

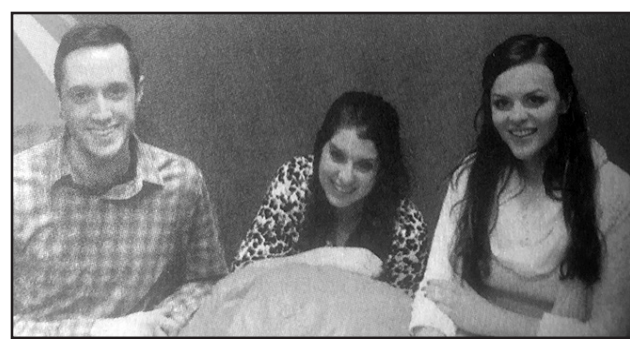
Girl Scout Troop 919 members Hannah and Chloe Minor, Julia Nester, Caitlin Parch, Katie Smith, Kathryn Abraham, Kayla Collingwood, Andrea DeWester and Rachael Hughes sang for residents of Forest Creek Nursing Home.

Whitney Dulla and Leah Averitt were named Southport's valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively. Dulla earned a 4.44 GPA and was accepted to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in New York. Averitt, whose GPA was 4.43, planned to study international relations at Tufts University near Boston.

Mark Amos and Melissa Boyer were named Perry Meridian's valedictorian and salutatorian. Amos earned a 4.49 GPA and planned to study electrical engineering at Virginia Tech. Boyer earned a 4.46 mark and was undecided on her college plans.

10 Years Ago This Week — 2014

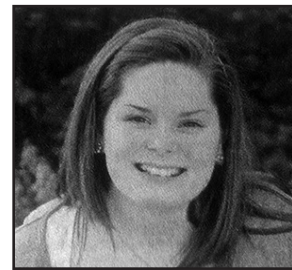
The pro basketball career of Katie Douglas, a graduate of Perry Meridian, went full circle as the Indiana Fever veteran signed with Connecticut, which drafted her in the first round in 2001.



Brian Hatcher opened Centrality Behavior Support Training, which offered therapy to autistic people. He was assisted by Elizabeth Nallenweg (center) and Megan Dant.



Central Elementary School Principal Craig Buckler hosted a pizza party for his Students of the Month: (from left) Lesley Buckler, Lesley Schmidt, Elizabeth Smith, Abby Hussey, Lydia Campodonico and Janelle Robinson.



Karissa Burch, right, a graduate of Beech Grove High School and a freshman at IUPUI, was going to intern with a missionary in Mexico City.

Reminiscing is popular amongst The Southsider Voice readers. Enjoy!

OBITUARIES

MONICA QUINTANILLA STRATTON, 67, husband, Mark Stratton; daughter, Samantha Stratton.
Monica attended Center Grove Schools graduating in 1975. She taught for over 36 years at Suburban Baptist School and Greenwood Christian School. For the past five years, Monica was a substitute teacher.
She loved the Lord, teaching, her students, reading, traveling, her family, friends, her sisters-in-Christ from her Monday night Bible study fellowship, and Murphy the dog.
Monica had a servant's heart and was always kind, generous, compassionate and loving to everyone she met.
A visitation took place at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service.

RUTH ANN "RUTHIE" FELTZ STINNETT, 89, widow of August "Gus" Stinnett; children, Michael, Catherine Pfeifer (David), Steven, Rita Sahn (Raymond), Suzanne Stinnett (Tom Corbett, Ralph Boots); sister, Carolyn (Feltz) Iaria-Bundy; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.
Ruthie was employed at Pittman Moore. She co-founded the Garfield Park Neighborhood Association where she worked to provide a safe family environment. The Association worked to maintain and improve the neighborhood.
Ruthie was a sacramental minister for Good Shepherd Catholic Church where she provided support for those in need.
Visitation was held at O'Riley Branson Funeral Home.

ALBERT S. TAVENOR, 98, widower of Wilma; Albert (Nancy), Tom (Susan); son-in-law, Mike; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.
He graduated from Manual High School, where he met Wilma in the marching band. He was in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946. After receiving a degree from Purdue and an MBA from Butler, he worked for Uniroyal-Goodrich for 41 years. He was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ.
Calling will be Friday, March 22 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. with a service following at G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home.

JEFFERY SCOTT TRACY, 59, daughter, Katelyn Tracy; mother of his children, Cari Tracy; brother, Rick (Karen) Tracy.
He graduated from Whiteland High School in 1983. Jeff worked as a machine operator for Perfect Binding Company. Jeff was a recovering alcoholic for almost nine years. He devoted his sobriety to his faith in God. Jeff put his children at the center of his life. He was happy being a dad. He loved surrounding himself with friends and family.
Visitation will be noon-3 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at Forest Lawn Funeral Home with the funeral immediately after.

JUSTIN THOMAS TRACY, 23, mother, Carianne Tracy; sister, Katelyn Tracy; son, Braxton Shouse; grandparents, Debbie and Lee Graham; grandmother, Bev Sanford.
He graduated from Southport High School in 2019. He worked as a driller's assistant for Patriot Engineering. His passions

included modifying his truck, working out, and surrounding himself with friends and family. He focused on bettering himself physically, mentally, and spiritually.
Visitation will be noon-3 p.m. Thursday, March 21, 2024, at Forest Lawn Funeral Home with funeral service immediately after.

CATHERINE RANEY VARGAS, 70, brother, Steven (Barbara) Raney.
A homemaker, Catherine loved reading her Bible, would copy verses to help her in memorizing them. She attended Our Lady of the Greenwood Catholic Church.
Lauck & Veldhof Funeral & Cremations Services are entrusted with arrangements.

MARGE "MARGE" WOOLBRIGHT, 78, husband, Samuel Woolbright; daughter, Brenda Hutson; brother, Donald Bernauer; sister-in-law, Janice Mascari; three grandchildren.
A visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday, March 21, 2024 at Little & Sons Funeral Home, Beech Grove. A second visitation will be Friday, March 22, 2024 from 11 a.m. to noon, with service to follow.

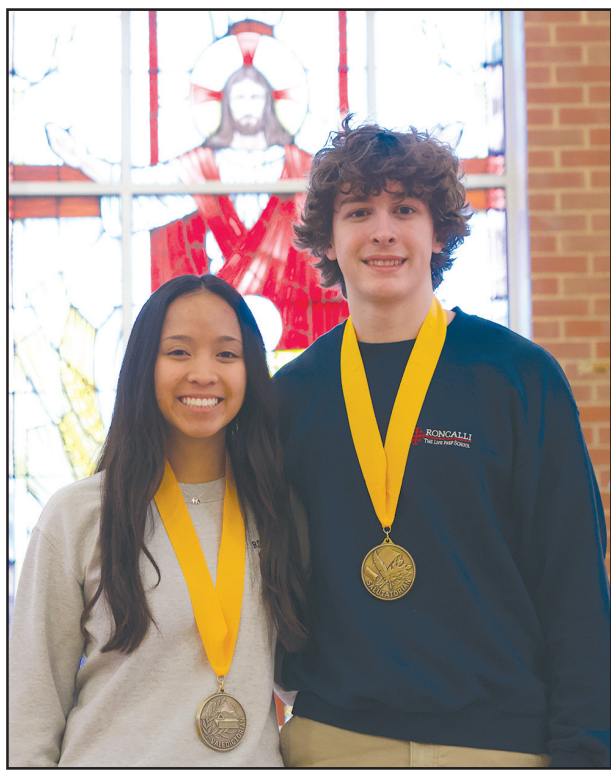
MILFORD GENE YAGER, 78, wife, Rebecca Yager; widower of Barbara Yager; siblings, Darlene (Jessie) Bray, Richard (Patty) Naylor.
Gene graduated from Manual High School and served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He dedicated 30 years to Siemens-Westinghouse Corporation as a mechanical engineer.
He had a zest for life and enjoyed hunting, fishing, yard work, playing pool and cards, mowing and caring for his yard. He had a special affection for Australian and German Shepherds. Known for his big heart, he was a captivating storyteller.
Funeral services were at Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

ROSEMARY YARBER, 92, widow of Raymond Yarber; daughters, Dana Wood (Mark), Dee Cox (Steve); brother, Jack Lucas (Carol); four granddaughters; six great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter.
Rosemary was a member of the Acton Baptist Church for over 83 years and was honored as the oldest living member. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, and aunt.
Funeral services held at Wilson St. Pierre Franklin Township.

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Roncalli names its valedictorian, salutatorian



(SUBMITTED PHOTOS) Senior Emily Sering was named the valedictorian, and senior Lachlan Borders was named salutatorian for the Roncalli High School class of 2024.

Sering excelled both inside and outside of the classroom. Earning the Academic Honors Diploma with Distinction, she will graduate with a 4.47 cumulative GPA. She has taken 38 semesters of classes at the Honors level and above, has volunteered over 900 service hours and plans to pursue a career in mathematics.

Throughout her high school career, she has embodied hard work as a Student Council Co-President, captain of her varsity soccer team, co-leader of Roncalli Community Service Club, board member of Anna's Celebration of Life Foundation and an active member of the youth ministry at her parish.

Her guidance counselor states, "Emily walks the walk, and remains consistent in her beliefs. Her sincerity is evident, and she exudes joy. She is beloved, as validated by her being voted prom queen. It has been my privilege to have known her since she was a very young child and to watch her grow into the amazing young lady she is today."

She graduated from St. Jude Catholic School and is the daughter of Jill and Joseph Sering.

Borders has shown incredible dedication throughout high school. He is an Indiana Rising Star, a state Spell Bowl champion, an Indiana Academic All Star nominee and is earning an Academic Honors Diploma with Distinction, taking one of the hardest course loads a student at Roncalli can take.

Lachlan attended St. Roch Catholic School and plans to study finance and business in college. He is the son of Alicia and Jeff Borders.

With Roncalli High School putting a large emphasis on the traits of its namesake, Saint John XXIII, Lachlan's band director wrote, "Lachlan dedicates his time and service every week performing in Mass. He has amazing character and maturity. He is always kind and never complains. He has such a busy schedule and still puts others first. I have never known him to turn down an opportunity, even if it means he has to sacrifice other things. He is a great leader and leads by example. Others look up to his character."

Roncalli Principal Kevin Banich (Class of 2009) praised both students for their positive impact upon Roncalli.

IWU WITH GREENWOOD'S REED HEADING TO NAIA NATIONAL TOURNEY



(SUBMITTED PHOTO) With former Greenwood Christian Academy standout Izzy Reed (4), front row, far right, Indiana Wesleyan University's women's basketball team celebrates Saturday on their home court after defeating Northwestern College (Iowa), 84-42 and qualifying for the upcoming NAIA National Championship tournament in Sioux City, Iowa. IWU, ranked fourth nationally, faces No. 8 Dakota State University Thursday. The first-round host Wildcats (29-4) dominated Fisk University, 100-69 Friday. Reed scored three points, grabbed two rebounds, and had an assist against Fisk, also three points and two rebounds against Northwestern. The 5-8 junior guard is averaging 3.8 points and 1.4 rebounds for the Wildcats. She scored a career-high 15 points and five rebounds earlier this season against Goshen. No. 1-ranked Marian University (32-1) also qualified for the national tourney after defeating Florida National University, 95-67 Friday and Stephens College (Mo.), 63-49. The Knights play the University of Jamestown Thursday afternoon, also in Sioux City, Iowa.

Cougars and Trojans close out historic seasons

By Al Stille
Editor

Greenwood Christian Academy and Center Grove closed out their historic boys' basketball campaigns by bowing out of the IHSAA playoffs in their opening match-ups Saturday in semi-state action.

GCA, after earning its first trip to a semistate, fell to Bethesda Christian, 53-35 at the fabled "Hatchet House" in Washington.

The Cougars finish 18-8 after dropping their semi-state opener against No. 8 Bethesda Christian.

Coach Jackson Williams' squad, ranked 13th in Class A, captured its first regional championship earlier in the playoffs against Oldenburg Academy. They outed defending Class A state champion Lutheran in the sectional championship game.

GCA will graduate only three seniors - Max Booher,

Jordan Taulman, and Reid Smith - from this season's history-making team. They expect to return next season with juniors Noah Reed, Evan McIntire, Ben Comerford, Eli Jackson, and Jack Franey plus sophomore Will Jackson and freshman starter Will Simons.

Center Grove, with another 20-plus win season, never got untracked against 4A No. 1 Ben Davis, 75-49 at New Castle. The favored Giants jumped to a 19-11 first-quarter lead and never looked back, winning by a stunning 26-point margin.

Coached by veteran Zach Hahn (21-5), Center Grove ran into the multi-talented Giants (22-5) in a revival of their classic MIC duals. Ten Trojans scored against the Giants with Jalen Bundy and Peyton Byrd, each scoring 10 points, the only Trojans in double figures. Joey Schmitz added nine points.

The Trojans earlier claimed their fifth sectional championship under coach Hahn and 17th title in program history, CG claimed the regional trophy by defeating rival Franklin at Southport Fieldhouse to advance to the 4A Elite Eight.

CG will graduate eight players from this season's squad: Schmitz, Bundy, Byrd, Will Spellman, Dylan Meador, Ben Chestnut, Grant Long, and Carson Newell.

Due to the NCAA Regional at Gainbridge Fieldhouse this week, the IHSAA State Finals are set for Saturday, March 30: 10:30 a.m., 1A, Bethesda Christian (27-4) vs. Ft. Wayne Canterbury (18-9); 12:45 p.m., 2A, Brownstown Central (27-4) vs. Wapahani (26-2); 3A, 6 p.m., Scottsburg (24-5) vs. South Bend St. Joseph (20-9); and 4A, 8:15 p.m., Ben Davis (25-4) vs. Fishers (28-1).
Info: IHSAA.org.

Business Briefs

SOUTHSIDER DISCUSSING MARKETING AT THE NATIONAL IPPA CONFERENCE



(SUBMITTED PHOTO) CJ Maurer, left, founder of Smarter Business Podcast, and an inbound marketing strategist, and Southsider Kyle Masengale, VP and Director of Sales at ASAP Payroll, on stage March 14, at the 2024 National IPPA Conference in Las Vegas discussing marketing. Masengale can be reached by calling 317-887-2727 or emailing him at kyle.masengale@asappayroll.com.

Football coach

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"The football coaching aspect is not even what I personally will miss the most," Enright added. "Our relationship was amazing. He was my right-hand man, and whatever we did as a program, Max was right there with me making those decisions. He worked extremely hard and cared so deeply about helping young men be the best version of themselves."

"Not a day went by at DC that he didn't text me or stop by my classroom and ask, 'Can I help you with anything?' From academic support for our young men, to mental and emotional support daily, from recruiting seminars and hosting coaching clinics, from Hudl data to cleaning the equipment room, Max did everything, every day."

A new coach

While Enright has not yet named a new defensive coordinator, he has added Leland Kinnett to his staff as defensive backs and special teams coach.

"Coach Kinnett comes to us after coaching at Center Grove, Mooresville and Indian Creek," Enright noted. "We are excited to have him join our team!"



Leland Kinnett



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY STEVE PAGE) Placekicking coach/superintendent Matt Prusiecki, seen holding for Decatur Central placekicker Ashton Vogel in preparation for last fall's Class 5A state championship game at Lucas Oil Stadium, has left the Hawks and is now the Indian Creek superintendent.

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THE MADNESS BEGINS

Purdue holds onto No. 1 seed in Midwest for an NCAA tourney

By Al Stille
Editor

Looking at the NCAA men's basketball tournament pairings, it's easy to see why there are tears in Terre Haute and in the Big East.

After its finest season since the Larry Bird era, Indiana State University (28-6) was snubbed by the tournament selection committee after the Sycamores fell to Drake, 84-80 in the Missouri Valley Conference's championship game and resultant loss of an automatic bid. The Sycamores' fate was complicated Sunday as five lower-seed teams captured tourney titles (automatic bids), adding to ISU's plight as a potential at-large team.

Also disappointing, the usually deep Big East qualified only three teams for the NCAA tourney with defending national champion Connecticut (31-3) being seeded No. 1 overall the day after Purdue (29-4) fell to Wisconsin in the Big 10 tourney semifinal match-up.

Purdue retained its No. 1 seed in the Midwest with UConn No. 1 in the East, Houston (30-4) in the South, and North Carolina (27-7) in the West.

Only UConn, Marquette (25-9), and Creighton (23-9) will represent the Big East, leaving Seton Hall (20-12), Rick Pitino-coached St. John's (20-13), and Providence (21-13) on the sidelines.

Enough about teams that didn't wind up in the 68-team tourney with the Big 12 landing a record eight teams and the Mountain West six teams.

Along with the pairings announcement, a random draw of entered advertisers of *The Southsider Voice* has added business interest in the tourney throughout the Southside.

The tournament opened Tuesday at Dayton, Ohio with Wagner vs. Howard and Colorado State vs. Virginia in play-in games; tonight, first-time NCAA tourney qualifier Grambling State meets Montana State and Colorado plays Boise State.

And then first rounds are Thursday-Saturday and Friday-Sunday to decide the Sweet 16 teams.

In the Midwest Region, Purdue is still considered the favorite even after falling to Wisconsin. The Boilers lost their tourney opener last year. That loss combined with the sobering experience of losing to the Badgers Friday should be their final wake-up call. The Boilers have a force on both ends with 7-4 senior Zach Edey as a rim threat and defender. It is hoped that Purdue's backcourt experience and depth would cure any short-comings.

The Boilers have the luxury of playing at Gainbridge Fieldhouse against the Grambling-Montana State play-in winner Friday and hopefully Saturday.

No. 4-seed Kansas (22-10) is in the same bracket, but the Jayhawks are without their two leading scorers putting them in danger of losing to first-round foe Samford (29-5). Gonzaga (25-7), not as strong as in past years, meets McNeese (30-3) with a loaded backcourt.

No. 2-seed Tennessee (24-8) is in the lower bracket, but the Vols could meet Texas (20-12) and eventually face dangerous Creighton. The Vols open Thursday against last year's tourney darling St. Peter's (19-13).

In the East Regional, UConn still stands as the favorite based on their remarkable campaign with losses only to Kansas, Seton Hall, and Creighton. The Huskies are riding a seven-game winning streak. No. 4 seed and SEC tourney champion Auburn (27-7) is in the same bracket.

No. 2 seed Iowa State (27-7) is in the lower bracket but could face BYU (23-10) or well-rounded Illinois (26-8).

In the South Region, Houston (30-4) is the No.



Morgan Walker and son Grayson were recently at a game in Mackey Arena. They are the daughter and grandson of Sean and Tammy (Cotton) Collins. Morgan is a Purdue graduate. She furthered her education at Ball State and Indiana State universities and is currently an Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Danville Community School Corporation. As this duo would say, "BOILER UP!"



Southsider Ronnie Roesler, a 1983 Southport grad, with his girlfriend Nicki, in their Purdue attire. Roesler became a Purdue fan at the age of 9, when his grandpa Roesler was watching a game and really getting into it. Roesler shared, "Grandpa was one of my favorite people on earth, so of course I sat right next to him and he told me why he was a Boilermaker ... Because they come to work everyday, and besides, he's tired of everybody trying to shove IU down his throat. That was all it took."

1 seed despite getting thumped by Iowa State in the Big 12 tourney. Nebraska (23-10), Wisconsin (22-13), and unpredictable Duke (24-8) are in their same upper bracket. The lower bracket features No. 2-seed Marquette (25-9) that opens against my alma mater Western Kentucky (22-11). No. 3-seed Kentucky (23-9) is in the same bracket and the Wildcats know how to score.

In the West Region, North Carolina squeaked into the No. 1 seed and could run into the Michigan State-Mississippi State winner in their second game with Alabama (21-11) in the same bracket. The lower bracket features Arizona (25-8) with a fairly easy path.

Looking for dark horses, look no further than No. 10-seed Drake (28-6) in the East; No. 12 James Madison (31-3) and energized No. 11-seed North Carolina State (22-14) with former Perry Meridian standout Jayden Taylor (Butler transfer)

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16 Wagner (16-15)	10 Colorado St. (24-10)	MW	Grambling (20-14) 16	Colorado (24-10) 10

EAST

- 1 UConn (31-3)
- 16 Stetson (22-12)
- 8 Florida Atlantic (25-8)
- 9 Northwestern (21-11)
- 5 San Diego St. (24-10)
- 12 UAB (23-11)
- 4 Auburn (27-7)
- 13 Yale (22-9)
- 6 BYU (23-10)
- 11 Duquesne (24-11)
- 3 Illinois (26-8)
- 14 Morehead St. (26-8)
- 7 Washington St. (24-9)
- 10 Drake (28-6)
- 2 Iowa St. (27-7)
- 15 South Dakota St. (22-12)

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- Houston (30-4) 1
- Memphis
- Longwood (21-13) 16
- Nebraska (23-10) 8
- Texas A&M (20-14) 9
- Wisconsin (22-13) 5
- Brooklyn
- James Madison (31-3) 12
- Duke (24-8) 4
- Vermont (28-6) 13
- Texas Tech (23-10) 6
- Pittsburgh
- NC State (22-14) 11
- Kentucky (23-9) 3
- Oakland (23-11) 14
- Florida (24-11) 7
- Indianapolis
- Boise St./Colorado 10
- Marquette (25-9) 2
- Western Kentucky (22-11) 15

WEST

- 1 North Carolina (27-7)
- 16 Howard/Wagner
- 8 Mississippi St. (21-13)
- 9 Michigan St. (19-14)
- 5 Saint Mary's (26-7)
- 12 Grand Canyon (29-4)
- 4 Alabama (21-11)
- 13 Charleston (27-7)
- 6 Clemson (21-11)
- 11 New Mexico (26-9)
- 3 Baylor (23-10)
- 14 Colgate (25-9)
- 7 Dayton (24-7)
- 10 Nevada (26-7)
- 2 Arizona (25-8)
- 15 Long Beach St. (21-14)

MIDWEST

- Purdue (29-4) 1
- Indianapolis
- Montana St./Grambling 16
- Utah St. (27-6) 8
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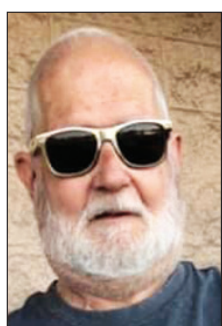
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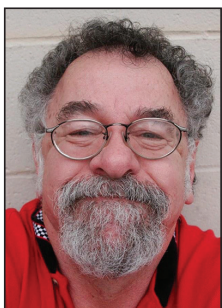


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- The term "March Madness" was first used to describe the tournament in 1982.
- The NIT (1938) was founded before the NCAA tournament. The NIT field is now usually made up of teams that miss the NCAA tournament.
- The first NCAA men's basketball tournament took place in 1939.
- One Shining Moment, the anthem of March Madness, first aired following the NCAA men's basketball tournament in 1987.
- Duke owns the largest comeback and second-largest lead blown in NCAA tournament history.
- Oregon is the first NCAA tournament champion, beating Ohio State for the title.



March Madness Trivia

1. Who is Purdue's career scoring leader?

2. Who closed his NCAA Tournament career with a 50-point performance in a losing effort?

3. What team emerged from the first-ever First Four to reach the Final Four? _____
4. Which coach has won the most NCAA Tournament games? Hint: He is retired. _____
5. Who coached Purdue to their first Big Ten title in 1911?

6. Who is the only three-time Most Outstanding Player of the Final Four? _____
7. What Boilermaker hit a jump shot with 4 seconds left to defeat Marquette, and send Purdue to the 1969 Final Four?

8. Who is credited with coining the phrase "March Madness"?

9. Who is the only coach to win the national championship at two schools?

10. Who holds the NCAA career record for most points scored in the tournament?

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GNOMES AT GARFIELD PARK CONSERVATORY

Garden gnomes are gathering at the Garfield Park Conservatory beginning Friday, March 22 and continuing through April 7 to delight children on spring break. Families can stroll through the Conservatory and try to spot all the gnomes. Admission is \$6 per person, \$14 for families (two adults maximum per family). Hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Conservatory is at 2505 Conservatory Drive. Info: 317-327-7183.

KIDS' NATURE STORYTIME

Blake's Children's Garden at Garfield Park is the site of storytime for children, ages 2-8 years, Friday, March 22, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The garden is adjacent to the Conservatory. Storytime is free for children, parents and/or caregivers. In case of inclement weather, the program will be moved inside. Info: 317-327-7183.

SOUTHPORT ROAD BRANCH BOOK CLUB

The book club for adults at the Southport Road branch library meets Monday, March 25, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. to discuss this month's book. The check-out desk has copies of the book. The library is at 2630 E. Stop 11 Road. Info: 317-275-4510.

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An Eclipse E-Learning Day with Buzz Camp for Beech Grove City Schools students, grades K-6, will be held Monday, April 8, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Hornet Park Community Center. Cost is \$25 per student, including solar eclipse day activities, breakfast, lunch, and snacks. Registration required; space is limited. Register online at: hornetparkcommunitycenter.com.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The last lingering days of winter leave the rambunctious Ram more restless than usual. Put all of the extra energy into strengthening a long-neglected relationship.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The clever Bull will ignore outward appearances and dig a little deeper to find important hidden facts before making a decision. Meanwhile, a friend needs you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to reorganize around your home and on the job. Missing items will seem to magically reappear once you discard the clutter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Tame that skeptical nature of yours. Be open to well-intended advice from a family member. A co-worker also has a suggestion that can be beneficial to the both of you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A so-called bargain could turn out to be a mite more risky than you thought. Keep your purse closed for now. A better deal is just down the line.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A sudden romantic overture emerges out of the past and catches you off guard. Respond with your usual honesty. This is not the time for coyness.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Romantic aspects are especially favorable this week. A career move also holds positive potential. Check out

possible drawbacks before making a final decision.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You dislike changing plans, but it could be a wise move to be a little more flexible than usual. The reason will become apparent very soon.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A loved one may feel left out of your life as you pursue your objectives this week. Take time to offer reassurances that your priorities haven't

changed.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a good time to stop nursing your wounded pride and start repairing a strained friendship. Take the first step now and let the healing process begin.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Expect good news about a particular health problem. Then go out and celebrate with friends and family. There's good news about your financial health as well.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A state of confusion marks the early part of this week, but explanations will come in time to clear things up for

you. Be cautious about making promises.
BORN THIS WEEK: You love being with people, whether it's a crowd or the company of just a few friends. You have strong family loyalties and can be counted on in crisis situations.
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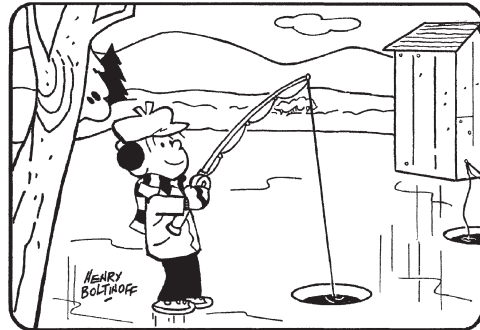
PUZZLE ANSWERS SEE PAGE 10 King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Gold-loving king
 - 6 Soviet space station
 - 9 Actress Dennings
 - 12 "That — I ask"
 - 13 Longoria of TV
 - 14 Writer LeShan
 - 15 "What — mean?"
 - 16 Journal
 - 18 Singer Timberlake
 - 20 Monster
 - 21 Med. plan option
 - 23 Sweetie
 - 24 Different
 - 25 Exile isle
 - 27 Russian villa
 - 29 Deceived
 - 31 There
 - 35 Rocker Adams
 - 37 Harvard rival
 - 38 City near Venice
 - 41 Prefix with
- DOWN**
- 1 Central
 - 2 Equal (Pref.)
 - 3 Nine-to-five
 - 4 Matty of baseball
 - 5 Melting snow
 - 6 Islamic holy city
 - 7 Infamous tsar
 - 8 Shaft of light
 - 9 IRA relative
 - 10 Worship
 - 11 Greedy sort
 - 17 Plant science
 - 19 Hot rum drink
 - 21 Skirt edge
 - 22 Roman 1051
 - 24 Discoverer's call
 - 26 Photo collections
 - 28 Doubter
 - 30 Notable time
 - 32 Workplace perk, maybe
 - 33 Yalie
 - 34 Gym unit
 - 36 Nails the test
 - 38 Rice field
 - 39 Arcade pioneer
 - 40 Senior member
 - 42 14 pounds
 - 45 Aesopian also-ran
 - 46 Apple product
 - 48 Young dog
 - 50 LBJ's successor
 - 51 Prof's aides

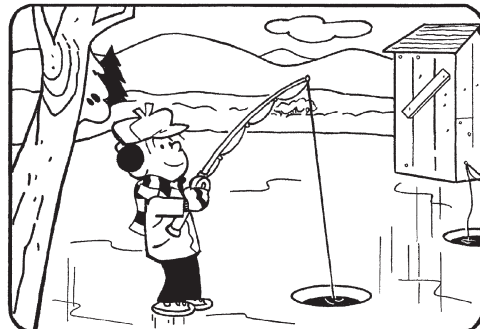
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HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Fishing line is different. 2. Branch is higher. 3. Hut is different. 4. Mountain is added. 5. Cloud is larger. 6. Cap is different.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: F equals H

CFRM AEO VNLB SEMH EK
KJOKKA ZOLB KRNSFRXH EMSE
N SXNMHVEXS HFQV, Q IORHH
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\$15.50	\$15.50	45	\$24.50	\$21.50	45
\$19.50	\$17.50	50	\$32.50	\$27.50	50
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\$39.50	\$34.50	60	\$64.50	\$55.50	60

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Weekly SUDOKU Answer

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TRIVIA

Answers

- Florin.
- Mountbatten-Windsor.
- "The Big Bang Theory."
- Arizona.
- Loose lips.
- Andorra.
- Hypothalamus.
- The head.
- Red.
- Tequila.

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CryptoQuip answer

When you pack tons of fluffy duck feathers onto a transport ship, I guess that's down-loading.

Thought for the Day:

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