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ENTREPRENEURS: BE BOLD IN BROOKVILLE



Cassie Garrett
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

Main Street Brookville is excited to announce the launch of an 8-week Business Boot Camp, Start it up Competition, and Jump Start Program as part of the three-tier Business Entrepreneurship Incubator Program. This program is open to residents of Union, Franklin, Ripley, Dearborn, Ohio, and Switzerland counties. Main Street Brookville is collaborating with the Town of Brookville and the Franklin County Community Foundation, alongside various community members on the committee to support this program. "It's a great oppor-

tunity for folks with great ideas but just really don't know where to start," said Christine Craig, Main Street Brookville Executive Director. "We will be offering some great support and guidance for everyone that chooses to participate. Community support is the best way to be successful, and Main Street Brookville, the Town of Brookville, and the Franklin County Community Foundation are here to support our entrepreneurs with all the tools we can."

8-week Business Boot Camp

The business boot camp will provide an extensive training program that serves as a foundational effort to (See "BOOT" pg. 5)

TOPICS AT BTC MEETING SPARK PUBLIC OUTRAGE

Cheyenne Lance
LEAD STAFF WRITER

During Monday evening's Brookville Town Council (BTC) Meeting (Oct. 7 at 7 p.m.), an excessive argument broke out between board members, resulting in community members to question BTC at the public forum.

John Estridge initially spoke up saying most of the board members were unaware of other meetings involving the town taking place, their lack of inclusion, and his belief in incorrect information due to

another member's lack of communication. Estridge further explained he felt all members should be present and at least know what these meetings were for. President Bridget Hayes disagreed with Estridge's claims, resulting in community member Rebecca Beesley taking the podium to question Hayes's constant attendance at other meetings as a representative of the council while leaving the other members in the dark.

"Are you not a board of five? Why is it only you (Hayes) going to (See "BTC" pg. 9)

2024 FC Homecoming Royalty



photos by Will Fehlinger
Pictured in the first photo is Homecoming King and Queen Jake Rauch and Callie Ward. Pictured in the second photo is Callie Ward being crowned by her sister and last year's homecoming queen Macy Ward.



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Front row (Left to Right): Carlie Doherty (Sophomore), Callie Ward (Senior), Ella Flannery (Senior), Annie Hoff (Senior), Emma Rosenberger (Senior), Olivia Clark (Senior), Shyla Beard (Senior), Alyssa Presley (Freshman), Halle George (Junior). Back Row (Left to Right): Chase Gindling (Sophomore), Jacob Rauch (Senior), Tyson Rosenberger (Senior), Folco Cabras (Senior), Cole Freese (Senior), Avery Crouch (Senior), Cole Kelley (Senior), Dakota Puckett (Freshman), John Glardon (Junior).

BES Today: Brookville Elementary School's Daily News Program

Cassie Garrett
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

This year, Brookville Elementary School is bringing parents information in a new way with its news program, "BES Today," a daily newscast produced by Mr. Fuller's fifth-grade challenge class.

"We decided to start a 'live' BES Daily News this year," said BES Principal Jill Brack. "There were a couple of reasons for this. First, (See "NEWS" pg. 12)



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Pictured left to right are: Braelynn Branstetter, Iris Jones, Charlie Graf, Brayden Dowd, Jordyn Holmes, Collins Gillman, Emery O'Brien, Kynlee Bartlett.

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Community Calendar

October

Franklin County Farm Bureau will be collecting items for hurricane relief from now until the end of the month. All items will be donated to Matthew 25 ministries.

Veterans and families and the public are invited to hear Andrea Carlisle, author of "The War That Came Home" at the Brookville Public Library on Oct. 9, 2024 at 6pm. She will speak on her experience with PTSD that afflicts so many veterans. Sponsored by the Twin Forks Chapter, Inc., National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

St. Mary's of the Rock Preservation Society's Annual Turkey Dinner. Sun., Oct. 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Carry out only. Cost: \$15/meal. Meals include: turkey, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, green beans, cole slaw and dessert. *Beef, cash and general raffle tickets available. Welcome back The Country Store. Located: between Oldenburg & Brookville. Address: 17440 St. Mary's Road, Batesville, IN. From: I-74, Exit 156 (Sunman/Milan). Go north & follow signs.

Springfield Community Church Celebrating 200 Years on Sunday, Oct. 13. 3101 Oxford Pike, Bath, Indiana. "A Glance Back" Share a Catered Luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Join us For Worship at 1:30 p.m. Join us as we honor those who have gone before us.

Main Street Brookville's Haunted Wine Walk & Tour - Saturday, Oct. 19 6pm to 9pm. Check in begins at 5:30 at Valley House Tavern 468 Main Street- Experience Brookville's eerie past by touring 5 historic buildings and enjoy wine tastings at various retailers. Tickets are available for purchase in advance at www.tickets.madtixevents.com/e/haunted-wine-walk-10-19-24 and will be available the night of as well. There will be interactive ghost investigations at two of the tour locations. Please bring your ID - must be 21 or older for wine tasting. Be aware that there are numerous flights of stairs and is not ADA compliant.

St. Jacobs Church at Blue Creek, Inc is having their annual Turkey Dinner on Oct. 20th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with Carry Outs Only. Prices are Adults \$15 and Children \$7. The Church address is 29959 Blue Creek Rd., Sunman, IN 47041.

November

"The Voices of Lee University" A Cappella ensemble will bring their lush vocal harmonies to the Lew Wallace Auditorium on Saturday, Nov. 16 for a 6:30 performance. Tickets: \$15 available now at the Riley Brook Center in Brookville!

"The Reindeer Games" will be presented to all students at Mt. Carmel School and St. Michael School on Nov. 20 at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. as part of our rotating schedule of school performances. The two shows will be presented by the Children's Theatre on Tour.

Main Street Brookville's November Noel at the Courthouse lawn on Nov. 23rd, 1pm - 4pm immediately following Mad-Cap Puppets at the K of C Hall. Bring the family for this fun filled, FREE family event. Santa will be there as well as rides in a vintage fire truck, children's crafts, games, many vendors, and live music.

MadCap Puppets return to Franklin County on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 11 a.m. for a FREE presentation of "The Nutcracker." This performance will take place at the Brookville K of C Hall on Main Street, and it will serve as the opening event for Main Street's November Noel, which will begin shortly after the play on the courthouse lawn. The K of C members will serve a chili bar lunch for purchase after the show.

January

The blockbuster Broadway hit, "Les Miserables" will be performed at the Aronoff Center in January and the Arts Council has a block of seats in the Loge to see this extraordinary play. Tickets are \$126 for the Jan. 18th matinee and can be obtained by calling Patti Wilhelm at 765-309-1473. We plan to have lunch at Nicholson's Restaurant prior to the show.

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Springfield Church turns 195 years old

A small brick church on Oxford Pike will be celebrating a big feat on Sunday, Oct. 13 - turning 195 years old.

An excerpt from the Franklin County Atlas of 1882 states: "In 1824, Mr. Thomas Upjohn came west from Oxford on the Oxford road and held preaching services in the home of David McCaw."

Records from the Franklin Recorder's Office indicate this group of people organized as the Springfield Methodist Episcopal Church on March 30, 1837. The first church building was a modest, rough frame building located in the center of Springfield Cemetery.

The land for the cur-

rent church building was deeded to the trustees of the church and cemetery which included David McCaw, Daniel Shafer, John Barbour, James Shera, Joseph Miles, Henry Shafer and Francis Barbour on June 23, 1846.

At the close of the Civil War, work began on the present building. The church was completed and dedicated in the summer of 1865. Springfield Church, along with Mt. Carmel, Asbury, and Wesley Chapel churches, were together on what was known as the Mt. Carmel Charge. The parsonage was located in Mt. Carmel. In 1919, the church became part of the Bath-Springfield Charge.

In 1949, some large-scale improvements were considered by the congregation, and in 1951, a new chancel - the part of the church near the altar reserved for the clergy and choir - was added to the north end of the building, and an educational unit and kitchen were also added.

In 2014, when many Methodist churches were being sold, several members of the community and descendants of the original church were able to purchase the building and turn it into the Springfield Community Church.

Since the purchase of the building, they have been able to do many renovations including adding air conditioning and

a bathroom on the first floor. The congregation worships on Sunday evenings and is described as interdenominational. Their goal is to continue what the original founders began - serving Christ in their local community.

A program and worship will be held at the church on Sunday, Oct. 13, at 1:30 p.m. The program will feature descendants of the original members.

Former pastors of the church have been invited and a history of the church will be presented.

Please join us as we celebrate our history. Program will begin at 1:00 p.m. Members say that their goal is to continue what the original founders began.

Cultivating self-reliance, one acre at a time

Veronica Bullock FC PURDUE EXTENSION

Many residents in the Cincinnati area imagine a rural, off-grid homestead, or something more modern that can be integrated into a suburban setting as a way of self-reliance for their families. The Extension Services of The Ohio State University, Purdue University, and University of Kentucky are great resources of knowledge and applied research for modern homesteaders. Agents and specialists from all three universities have organized the first ever day-long conference to help homesteaders. The keynote speaker is author and farmer Ben Hartman. Ben brings a wealth of information and experience on successfully raising food on a few acres. A few of the topics planned for the multi sessions include beef cattle, butchering basics, honey production, maple syrup, raising successful vegetable gardens, and soil health. "This program

is an opportunity for all three colleges of agriculture to reach out to the community we serve and share research done locally to ensure success for our homestead residents," according to Jeff Hermes, Purdue University Educator. Gary Stockton, University of Kentucky Agent, added, "We are excited to offer this program and topics to help homesteaders make good decisions and encourage them to call upon their local extension offices to help them beyond this one-day conference." For many young families homesteading is an opportuni-

ty for their entire family to get involved with building something together. Modern homesteading is a lifestyle with minimum help from others. It is a subsistence type of agriculture which includes preservation of food, low waste living and depending on your skills can result in some monetary contribution to the family budget. "It's almost a return to the lifestyle of grandparents who raised much of their food on their own land," added Gary Stockton. This conference is designed for both seasoned

homesteaders and beginners. Whether you're just starting out or a seasoned homesteader, this event has something for everyone from butchering basics to beekeeping, mushroom cultivation to growing your own fruits, there are tons of sessions to help you expand your skills with an emphasis on hands-on learning.

Homesteading Conference Overview: Get ready for a day packed with invaluable knowledge and hands-on sessions brought to you by the Cooperative (See "HOME" pg. 5)

OPINION

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Anne Thackery

Anna Marie Thackery, of Brookville, passed away Sunday, September 29, 2024, at her residence.

Anne was the loving wife of Todd Thackery; cherished mother of Katie (Ben), Hannah, Adam (Brittany), and Abigail, and adored grandmother of Gideon, Ezra and Charlotte Anne. She was preceded in death by her parents, Dorothy and George Wolfe, and brothers Carl Wolfe and Kyle Nelsen. She was also survived by parents Leland and Barb Nelsen, and siblings Devan, Brian, Cindy, and Kirk "Oscar." and many nieces and nephews.

Anne was born February 20, 1957 in Des Moines, Iowa, a daughter to Dorothy and George Wolfe. She graduated from Washington (Indiana) High School in 1975. She attended Ball State University and obtained her bachelor's degree in 1980 and master's degree in 1986. She was a lifelong teacher, retiring in 2016 after 36 years of service teaching at Laurel and Brookville Elementary. Anne and Todd were married July 25, 1981 and raised four children. She was a member of Tri Kappa, NEA Fayette County Teacher Union, United Way board, Friends of Library, church groups,

Chitwoods, and Retired Teachers.

Anne lived Matthew 25:45 through her vocation of teaching. She ensured each child she taught felt loved in her classroom.

Matthew 25:45: "Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me."

Friends visited with the family on Thursday, October 3, 2024, from 4 until 7 p.m. at Brookville United Methodist Church. Pastor Steve Rundel officiated the funeral service on Friday at 10 a.m. at the church with burial immediately following in Klemmes



Corner Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be directed to The Brookville UMC or to the Franklin County Arts Council. To sign the online guestbook or to leave a personal memory, please visit www.cookrosenberger.com. The staff of Cook Rosenberger Funeral Home is honored to care for the family of Anne Marie Thackery. Paid obituary.

Stephen Ludwig

Stephen Julius Ludwig, a lifelong resident of Cedar Grove, was born on July 7, 1946, in Batesville, a son to Franklin and Loretta Sacksteder Ludwig. He graduated from St. Meinrad and later married Sheila Quill on May 8, 1976. Steve was an electrician at Ludwig Contracting and then G.M. for many years. He was a member of Holy Guardian Angel Church and St. Michael Catholic Church, Cedar Grove FD, and EMS #4. Steve enjoyed music and played guitar in church and at parties. His other hobbies included woodworking; watching sports, especially

the Reds and Bengals, and he loved seeing his grandkids play soccer. The nickname "Super Great Uncle Steve" said it all - his extended family thought so much of him. On Friday, September 27, 2024, at the age of 78 he passed away at UC Medical Center in Cincinnati.

Those surviving who will cherish Steve's memory include his wife of over 48 years, Sheila Ludwig; two daughters, Jessica (Jason) Dilk, and Rebecca (David) Davis; three grandchildren, Andrew, Emily and Lauren Dilk; one brother, Benjamin (Jane) Ludwig; two sisters, Diane

Strange and Margaret "Peg" Beard; a sister-in-law, Karen Ludwig, and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews and great-great-nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Timothy Ludwig and two brothers-in-law, Raymond Strange and Terry Beard.

Friends may visit with the family on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at Holy Guardian Angel Oratory in Cedar Grove. Father Vincent Lampert will officiate the Mass at 12 noon and burial will follow in the church cemetery.

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tions can be directed to St. Michael School or Holy Guardian Angel Preservation Fund. To sign the online guestbook or to leave a personal memory, please visit www.cookrosenberger.com. The staff of Cook Rosenberger Funeral Home are honored to care for the family of Stephen Ludwig. Paid obituary.

Christopher Pruitt

Christopher Ralph Pruitt, age 52, of Titusville, Florida and formerly of Guilford, passed peacefully Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at Advent Health in Celebration, Florida.

Born June 19, 1972 in Lawrenceburg he was the son of John Sr. and Linda (Pennington) Pruitt. On July 14, 2012 he was united in marriage to

Heather Bergin, and she survives.

Chris was an IT Programmer for the Brevard County Clerk of Courts in the city of Titusville. In his leisure time he enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson, attending concerts, auto racing, taking vacations, and spending time with his family and friends. He loved life and lived it to the

fullest.

Besides Heather, his loving wife of over 12 years, survivors include his mother, Linda Pruitt of Guilford; five children, Jordon Pruitt of Titusville, Ariana Moore of Milan, Aaron Bergin of Brookville, Bailee Hoffman of Greenwood, and McKenna Moore of Titusville; his five grandchildren who he adored, Embry, Rilynn, Kash,

Luna, Kaige; a sister, Angel Pruitt of Guilford, a brother John (John Boy) Pruitt Jr of Milan.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Pruitt Sr.

Family and friends visited Saturday, October 5, 2024 at Phillips & Meyers Funeral Home, 1025 Franklin Avenue, Brookville.

Rev. Wayne Ison officiated the funeral service at 12:00 Noon,

Saturday, October 5, 2024 at Phillips & Meyers Funeral Home, with burial following at Maple Grove Cemetery in Brookville.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the family. The staff of Phillips & Meyers Funeral Home are honored to serve the Pruitt family, to sign the online guest book or send personal condolences, please visit www.phillipsandmeyers.com



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Paid obituary.

Charles "Tom" Jonas

Mr. Charles Thomas "Tom" Jonas, age 74, of Murray, Kentucky, passed away on Saturday, October 5, 2024, at his home.

Mr. Jonas was born in Connersville on September 15, 1950, to the late Charles J. "Charlie" Jonas and Elizabeth "Betty" (Rolfes) Jonas. Mr. Jonas retired from sales and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Murray and the Davenport Sunday School Class. He was a graduate of Northern Illinois University and

was a member of the Northern Illinois football team. Mr. Jonas enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, watching his grandchildren's sporting events, and spending time with family.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Jonas was preceded in death by his two brothers, John and Mike Jonas; grandson, Luke Jonas, his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Preston Foley and Mary Foley; and by one brother-in-law, Kelly Leffingwell.

Mr. Jonas is survived by his wife, Di-

ane (Foley) Jonas, to whom he married on May 3, 1980; two daughters, Emily Jonas of Bellevue, Washington and Abby Greer and husband Patrick of Paducah, Kentucky; one son, Drew Jonas and wife Whitney of Murray; three sisters, Becky Bartling and husband Bart of Batesville, Paula Myer and husband Ed of Harrison, Ohio, and Missy Leffingwell of Brookville; one sister-in-law, Mary Lou Jonas of St. Leon; one brother, Gerry Jonas and wife Tammy of

Harrison, Ohio; one brother-in-law, Craig Foley and wife Cindy of Cincinnati; as well as five grandchildren, Maddox, Jonas, and Jack Greer of Paducah, Kentucky and Jacob and Caleb Jonas of Murray.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, October 14, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the J.H. Churchill Funeral Home and Cremation Services. Rev. Kerry Lambert will officiate and family remarks by his son-in-law, Patrick Greer. Visitation will be held prior to the me-

morial service on Monday, October 14, 2024, at the J.H. Churchill Funeral Home and Cremation Services from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Expressions of sympathy can be made to the Anna Mae Owen Hospice House, 803 Poplar Street, Murray, Kentucky 42071 or to the Boston University CTE Brain Bank and Neuropathology Fund, Boston University Development, Gift Processing, JP Morgan Chase & Co. PO, Box 22605, New York, NY 10087-2605, checks to be made out to Trust-



ees of Boston University, <https://www.bu.edu/cte/>
Online condolences can be made at www.jhchurchill.com
Paid obituary.

ARREST REPORTS

Franklin County Sheriff's Office Media Arrest Summary (Only includes L6 Felony charges and higher, misdemeanors not included).

-All persons are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law

Arrest Time/Date: 10:36 9/19/24
Inmate Name: Caster, Crystal L.
Arrest Location: Davison Road, Oldenburg
Birth Date: 5/24/84
Arrested by: J Robinson
Agency: FCSD
Crime Class: L6
Offense: Possession of Hypodermic Syringe/Needle

Arrest Time/Date: 13:21 9/30/24
Inmate Name: Fletcher, Jason D.
Arrest Location: Dearborn Co. Jail
Birth Date: 2/9/78
Arrested by: C Kinnett
Agency: FCSD
Crime Class: L5
Offense: Arrest Warrant

Arrest Time/Date: 10:47 9/18/24
Inmate Name: Metcalf, Ron
Arrest Location: Pipe Creek Road, Batesville
Birth Date: 4/5/94
Arrested by: B Lecher
Agency: FCSD
Crime Class: L4
Offense: Possession of Methamphetamine

Arrest Time/Date: 21:16 9/18/24
Inmate Name: Nunlist, Gerald M.
Arrest Location: Peppertown
Birth Date: 6/30/99
Arrested by: A Bowers
Agency: FCSD
Crime Class: L6
Offense: Stalking

Arrest Time/Date: 3:27 9/13/24
Inmate Name: Riley, Michael Jr.
Arrest Location: Fairfield Causeway Road, Brookville
Birth Date: 11/23/86
Arrested by: A VanWinkle
Agency: FCSD
Crime Class: L6
Offense: Possession of Methamphetamine

Arrest Time/Date: 12:21 9/17/24
Inmate Name: Schuler, Jason J.
Arrest Location: Wabash Correctional Facility, Carlisle
Birth Date: 5/29/84
Arrested by: C Kinnett
Agency: FCSD
Crime Class: L6
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Indiana's sole Civil War General killed in action 162 years ago

Cassie Garrett
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

On Oct. 3, 1862, Pleasant A. Hackleman, who was born in Franklin County and was a resident of Rush County, tragically lost his life in Corinth, Mississippi. He holds the distinction of being the sole Civil War General from Indiana to have been killed in action.

Hackleman was born in 1814. After marrying Sarah Bradburn in

1833, he started his career as a farmer. Later, he pursued a legal education and successfully passed the bar exam, establishing himself as a lawyer. From 1837 to 1841, he held the position of probate judge in Rush County. Additionally, in 1840, he took on the role of editor at the Rushville Republican until the outbreak of the war. His involvement in politics led to his election to the Indiana State Legislature in 1841. Notably, he also

served as a delegate to the National Republican Convention in Chicago, where Abraham Lincoln was nominated as the Republican presidential candidate.

On May 20, 1861, at the onset of the Civil War, Indiana Governor Oliver P. Morton appointed Hackleman as the 16th Indiana Volunteer Infantry Colonel, comprising one-year volunteers. The 16th Indiana was deployed to the Eastern Theater and saw action at the Battle of Ball's Bluff. Following his service in the Eastern Theater, Hackleman was promoted to brigadier

general of volunteers on April 28, 1862, and was instructed to join Ulysses S. Grant in the Western Theater.

Hackleman assumed command of the 1st Brigade in the 2nd Division of the Army of the Tennessee under the leadership of Thomas A. Davies. His division was temporarily attached to William S. Rosecrans' Army of the Mississippi in Corinth, Mississippi. During a Confederate attack on October 3, 1862, Hackleman's Brigade found itself amid fierce fighting. As the Confederate forces created a gap between Union divisions,



Pleasant A. Hackleman.

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Hackleman valiantly his Brigade but was attempted to rally (See "CIVIL" pg. 5)

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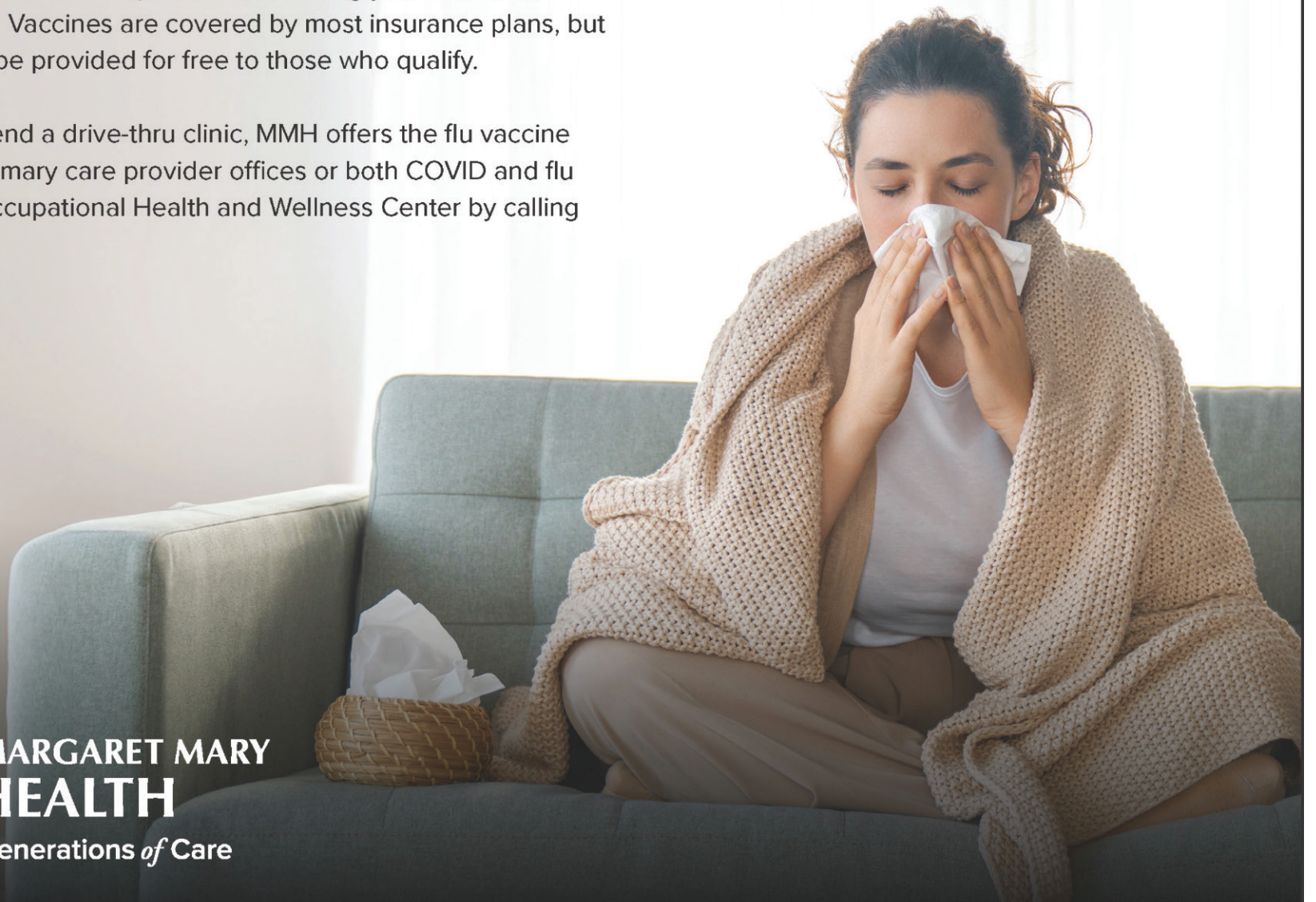
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Flu season is right around the corner, and again this year, Margaret Mary Health recommends the vaccine as your best line of defense. If you haven't been vaccinated, MMH is offering our patients both flu and COVID shots at two upcoming drive-thru clinics:

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1:00 - 5:00 PM
Batesville Street Department Garage
514 South John Street, Batesville, IN 47006

Receiving vaccines at our drive-thru clinics is a quick and convenient way to protect the whole family with one stop. Appointments are **NOT** required. Please bring your insurance cards with you. Vaccines are covered by most insurance plans, but they may also be provided for free to those who qualify.

If you can't attend a drive-thru clinic, MMH offers the flu vaccine through our primary care provider offices or both COVID and flu shots at our Occupational Health and Wellness Center by calling **812.932.5105**.



OCTOBER IS CYBER-SECURITY MONTH PART TWO

Don Riffle

FCN BANK INFO SECURITY OFFICER

In today's digital age, scams have become increasingly sophisticated and common, targeting individuals from all walks of life. From phishing emails and fraudulent phone calls to elaborate online schemes, scammers are constantly devising new ways to deceive and exploit unsuspecting victims. Understanding the most common types of scams and how they operate is crucial in protecting yourself and your loved ones from falling prey to these criminals. This arti-

cle will explore a few of the most common scams, provide tips on how to recognize them, and offer practical advice on what to do if you find yourself targeted by a scammer. Stay informed and stay safe!

One of the most effective scams is the prize or inheritance scam. The fraudster convinces their victim that they have won a large prize or are receiving an inheritance. They then claim that taxes or other fees need to be paid before the prize can be awarded. Once the criminal receives the first payment, they will continue to make up rea-

sons why more money is needed to award the prize. This scam can go on for months or years. As long as the victim keeps sending funds, the criminals will keep making excuses.

The "grandparent" scam is another common scam. A grandparent receives a desperate phone call from someone claiming to be one of their grandchildren, or a law enforcement officer. They claim that the grandchild has been arrested and bail money is needed immediately. Artificial intelligence is making this scam more effective. A person's voice can be duplicated now with a

recording of just a few seconds of their voice, so the scammer sounds like the grandchild.

Check scams are also widely seen. In this scam, the victim receives a check in the mail, or as payment for something they are selling. They are then instructed to deposit the check and return some of the funds to the scammer. The check is always bad, and the victim will be responsible for those funds deposited in their account. The victim is also out the money that they sent to the scammer.

Romance scams are very common and are extremely harmful to

the victims. Social media and dating apps are full of romance scammers. The convince their victims that they want a relationship with them. Once trust is established, they then ask for money for several reasons, or talk about their money problems, trying to get the victim to volunteer to send them funds. It can be very hard to convince people that this is a scam. People do not want to believe that this special person is stealing from them.

There are many, many more scams being used to steal money from people. They all have several things in common. First, they

ask for payment to solve a problem. Second, they use emotions such as fear, sympathy, guilt, loneliness, and greed to convince their victims to send them money. Scammers use these emotions to create a sense of urgency and get the victim to act before they can think through the situation and see the scam. Always verify what you are being told. Do not be pressured to act immediately. They will say anything to get you to send them money. These criminals can be very convincing. Do not call numbers or visit websites given to you by the scammer to verify their claims.

FRONTIER COMPLETES FIRST PHASE OF FIBER BROADBAND EXPANSION IN FC

Company brings fast, reliable connectivity to hundreds of homes and businesses in Franklin County, Indiana

What happened? Frontier (NASDAQ: FYBR) recently completed the first of its fiber broadband projects in Franklin County. The first phase, funded by both Frontier and a grant awarded by the Indiana Broadband Office

in Round 3 of the Next Level Connections program, expands Frontier's high-speed fiber broadband service in rural Franklin County. This first phase brings symmetrical residential broadband speeds of up to 5Gbps to the rural Brookville area of Franklin County. Residents may check on current availability and pricing of Frontier's fiber broadband

service by entering their address at frontier.com.

Frontier is continuing its fiber network expansion in Franklin County, including projects in the Town of Brookville and the Blooming Grove area. Frontier was awarded funding in the fourth round of the Next Level Connections program to reach rural unserved and underserved resi-

dential and business locations in the Blooming Grove area of the county.

Why it matters: With these projects, we bring fast, reliable connectivity to homes and businesses in both towns and rural areas of Franklin County, boosting economic and educational opportunities for the county's residents and businesses. This work strengthens

our commitment to providing unserved and unserved communities with access to our high-speed fiber internet.

"Our Next Level Connections grant, along with Frontier's investment in the county, will allow us to continue to advance our fiber build to meet the critical connectivity needs of rural residents and businesses," said Veronica Bloodworth, chief net-

work officer. "We are dedicated to bringing the people of Franklin County the high-speed fiber internet they need to succeed in the digital economy. That's what Frontier's purpose, Building Gigabit America, is all about."

The broader context: We've now won more than \$4.7M in Next Level Connections grant funding in Indiana.

Source: Frontier

INDIANA NATIONAL GUARD TO AID IN NORTH CAROLINA HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS

Governor Eric J. Holcomb activated the Indiana National Guard to aid with hurricane relief efforts in North Carolina. About a dozen Indiana National Guard airmen with the 181st Intelligence Wing, based in Terre Haute, will head to North Carolina and join other Hoosier personnel to aid in search and rescue efforts.

"Hoosiers stand with

our friends in North Carolina as they navigate the devastation caused by this natural disaster," said Gov. Holcomb. "As a force for local and global good, the women and men of the Indiana National Guard are prepared to answer the call, and our prayers are with them and the people of North Carolina."

Following the destructive path of Hur-

ricane Helene, North Carolina requested assistance with relief efforts to minimize the loss of human life, which stands at more than 100 across the region as of Monday.

The Hoosier Guardsmen will join local and state personnel from North Carolina and federal agencies, as well as other Hoosier teams in collaboration with the Indiana De-

partment of Homeland Security, which operates Indiana's Emergency Operations Center.

Indiana Task Force One was initially deployed to Florida where the team assisted with search and rescue operations immediately after landfall. The team is now in North Carolina assisting with ongoing search and rescue efforts.

A swift water rescue team comprised of personnel from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, South Bend Fire Department, Goshen Fire Department, and Mishawaka Fire Department, was sent to North Carolina and has been operating nearly nonstop since Friday.

An Incident Management Team from Indiana is assisting

Haywood County Emergency Management in North Carolina.

Hoosier Guardsmen are slated to base their operations in Hickory, North Carolina for approximately two weeks. In addition to responding to floods, tornados and snowstorms in Indiana, the Indiana National Guard has previously assisted with Hurricane Harvey and Irma recovery efforts.

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equip aspiring entrepreneurs with essential business knowledge and operational skills, along with the opportunity to master the art of creating a comprehensive business plan. Par-

ticipants will acquire the skills needed to compete in the Start it Up Competition. The instructor for the boot camp will be Ginnie Faller, a business advisor and trainer from the Small Business

Development Center.

The boot camp sessions will be held every Wednesday, starting Jan. 28 and concluding on Feb. 26. The sessions will run from 6 to 8 p.m. and will take place at the Franklin County Public Library, located at 919 Main Street, Brookville.

The tuition fee for the boot camp is \$750. There is an opportunity to apply for a \$650 scholarship on the application. Ten scholarships will be awarded. There is room for 15 participants. Applications must be submitted by Nov. 1. Successful applicants will be notified by Dec. 6, 2024.

Start it Up Competition

Upon the conclusion of the Business Boot Camp, the Start it Up Competition will take place on March 12. This competition adopts a "Shark Tank" style approach and aims to identify the most promising candidate to launch a small business downtown. The event will feature a 15-minute presentation during which participants will deliver an elevator pitch, present their business plan, and outline their marketing strategy to a panel of three judges at the Franklin County Public Library. The first-place winner will be awarded a prize of \$5,000, the second-place winner will receive \$4,000, and the third-place winner

will receive \$3,000. Business Boot Camp is not required to take part in the Start It Up Competition.

Jump Start Program

The Jump Start Program is open to competitors from the Start it Up Competition interested in establishing a business in the entertainment, retail, or restaurant sector on Main Street. This program offers a two-year grant to cover rent or lease expenses for two businesses, each valued at \$12,000. The grant is structured to provide \$1,000 per month for the first three months, followed by \$750 per month for months 4 to 6, \$500 per month for months 7 to 18, and

\$125 per month for months 19 to 24, provided the business is in a building located on Brookville's Main Street.

The objective of the Jump Start Program is to promote the establishment of two small businesses on Main Street by providing a support system. New business owners are required to participate in monthly meetings with local experts such as accountants, lawyers, insurance agents, HR professionals, IT specialists, and/or marketers. This initiative aims to ensure that businesses are provided with the necessary guidance and resources to facilitate their success.

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tragically shot through the neck. Mortally wounded, he was taken to the Tishom-

ingo Hotel in Corinth, where he uttered his poignant final words: "I am dying, but I die for

my country."

Following his passing, Hackleman's body was transported to his

hometown of Rushville, where he was laid to rest in East Hill Cemetery.

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Extension Services of The Ohio State University, University of Kentucky, and Purdue University!

What: 1st Annual Tri-State Homesteading Conference

Where: Bonne

County Enrichment Center, Burlington, KY (1824 Patrick Dr, Burlington, KY 41005, USA)

When: Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024; 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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Contact: Lindie Huffman, lindie.huffman@uky.edu or Veronica Bullock, bull-

ockv@purdue.edu
Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/tristatehomestead>

Website: Home | Tri State Homesteader workshops (tristatehomesteadersconference.com)

Knights speared in homecoming clash

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SPORTS EDITOR



photo Will Fehlinger

On paper, Friday night's homecoming battle between the South Dearborn Knights and Franklin County Wildcats seemed like a toss-up as the teams had similar season resumes and marks. On turf, multiple takeaways by a swarming defense and a humming offense had FC triggering a running clock with 5:55 left in the third quarter. Up 35-0, a few starters along with some reserves finished out a commanding 41-7 win.

In perfect weather conditions, the hosts scored five minutes into the game and never really looked back though separation didn't come until late in the half and into the third quarter.

FC received the opening kickoff, starting near the 50 and quickly moving downfield. The drive stalled, however, with two incomplete attempts at the end zone. The Cats had the ball again in short order thanks to Kayden Kerr's tackles for loss and Braylon Kruthaupt's deflection of a Conor Huff toss.

On a 2nd-down play, quarterback Quinn Gillman threw one up and got a high-point 24-yard reception by Kerr at the 12-yard line; a play later, Gillman rolled to his right but found a friendly opening and rushed in for an 8-yard touchdown. Hunter Weartz's extra point - 5 of 6 on the night - was good for a 7-0 lead.

The Knights had their longest offensive play on the ensuing drive. Facing 3rd-and-6, Huff dropped back and let it fly to the hands of Caden Thompson for a 40-yard pickup. But a holding call, TFL by Jack Seals and illegal block put SD way behind the chains. Lane Westerman hurried Huff into a failed pass to force another punt. FC got two quick first downs but a hold later led to a Weartz punt.

A first-down run by Knights' fullback Mason Lane ended the first period. FC helped prolong the drive with an offside call on 4th-and-2 and Huff rushed for another first down. On the next snap, though, the Wildcats jarred the ball loose on a run around the right end; Gillman fell on it, then tramped up the middle for a 67-yard TD on 2nd-and-6 when possession switched hands.

SD fumbled again on its next drive, this time able to recover to save face. A punt followed and Kruthaupt returned it near midfield. The drive ended in bizarre fashion. On a 2nd-and-8, Gill-

man was hit as he threw with the ball landing in center Jack Dirkhising's hands for a 2-yard loss. An offside call on the Knights made it 3rd-and-5. A Gillman run brought out the chain gang, who confirmed fourth down. Lining up in shotgun formation, Gillman surged toward the marker on the



photo Will Fehlinger
Kayden Kerr.

next play. Another measurement showed the tip of the ball just past the line to gain, throwing SD coach Rand Ballart into a frenzy. Then it was Wildcat head coach Wes Gillman's time to vent as the officials conferred and reversed the call, giving the guests 1st-and-10.

Fortunately for FC the call had little bearing on the night's outcome and Carter Dozier's 9-yard TD catch - after a pair of pass interference calls on the Knights - put the Cats up by three scores with about 30 seconds left in the half.

On the first play from scrimmage to start the second half, Kruthaupt smothered a fumble by the Knights. Dozier was back in the end zone five plays later and Weartz's kick made it 28-0. After a three-and-out by SD, the Wildcats traversed downfield on passes to Seals

and Kruthaupt. Holding was called in the red zone, but from the 20 Gillman found Seals for six points and Weartz's PAT invoked the mercy rule.

FC recovered its third fumble soon after. The next drive brought a Weartz field goal attempt from upwards of 30 yards; the Knights roughed him in the process to set up 1st-and-goal. One play later, Seals caught his second TD. Carson Cheek scored for SD in a rapidly moving fourth frame to avoid the shutout.

Gillman accounted for 289 yards of offense (158 passing, 131 rushing). Kerr had 10 tackles, one being a key second-quarter sack. Elijah Neumeister added a sack, Kaden Welch recovered a fumble while Nate Schallick, Gillman and Kruthaupt forced fumbles.

The win allows FC (4-3, 2-1) a chance at sharing the EIAC small-school title. A South Dearborn win over Rushville this Friday would ensure that outcome. Meanwhile, the Cats welcome 5-2 Batesville.

Wildcats 41, Knights 7
SD - 0007-7
FC - 714200 - 41

Scoring
First Quarter
FC - Gillman 8-yard run, 7:08. Weartz kick.

Second Quarter
FC - Gillman 67-yard run, 7:18. Weartz kick.

FC - Dozier 9-yard pass from Gillman, :34.3. Weartz kick.

Third Quarter
FC - Dozier 5-yard run, 9:47. Weartz kick.

FC - Seals 20-yard pass from Gillman, 5:55. Weartz kick.

FC - Seals 7-yard pass from Gillman, :30.3. Kick wide.

Fourth Quarter
SD - Cheek run, 5:06. Taytum Barker kick.

Total yds-FC 332
Rush yds-FC 174
Pass yds-FC 158
1st downs-SD 7, FC 10
Penalties-SD 8-79, FC 4-35

Fumbles/lost-SD 4/3, FC 1/1

Stats: FC-Rushing: Gillman 12-131, Mason Wewe 5-21, Dozier 1-5, Kerr 3-6, Wyatt Bowling 1-1, Parker Gillman 2-10. Passing: Q Gillman 12-19-158. Receiving: Seals 5-82, Dozier 1-9, Kruthaupt 3-28, Kerr 2-32, Wewe 1-7. (From Max-Preps)

Cabras stays alive as Cats ousted

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SPORTS EDITOR



photo Will Fehlinger
Garrett Kuntz.

CONNERSVILLE - Despite a 4-1 sectional loss to the host Connersville Spartans Thursday, the Franklin County tennis season remains alive in the form of No. 1 singles player Folco Cabras from Italy.

Cabras (12-3) defeated Koltan DeBoard of CHS 6-0, 6-4 to proceed in the individual state tournament that takes place at Center Grove this week. In some switching of lineup spots by coach Derricke Kolb, Bryce Bruns and Tyler Teuschler moved up to the respective No. 2 and No. 3

singles slots. Bruns suffered a 6-0, 6-0 defeat to Anthony Struewing and Teuschler was topped 6-3, 6-0 by Clayton Roszell. Garrett Kuntz and Tyson Rosenberger slotted down from their typical singles play to field a No. 1 doubles team; they fell 6-3, 6-2 to Abel Parsley and Maddox Rees. The Bruns twins, Ty and Trevor, filled the No. 2 position after playing 1 doubles all season; they lost 6-2, 6-1 to Jay McMullen and Logan Young.

Connersville beat Rushville to win the tourney.

Schwartz & Cubs bounce Cats

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SPORTS EDITOR



photo Will Fehlinger
Casey Mitchum.

AURORA - The Schwartz was certainly with the Madison Cubs Monday evening at the South Dearborn sectional.

Junior Griffin Schwartz booted five goals and added an assist as Madison ran away from a close match to post an 8-3 win over Franklin County.

The Cubs' standout posted the bookend goals of the match, putting one through to get scoring underway at 34:54 and adding a finishing touch with his left foot at 6:50 of the

second half to trigger a running clock.

Schwartz's goal at 30:09 of the opening half made it a 2-0 game. Then FC sliced the lead in two when sophomore Italo Boaventura de Souza was fouled as he drove into the goalie box; he sent the penalty kick cleanly into the net at 25:53. Around a pair of yellow cards - one by Madison at 20:30 and one on the Wildcats with under 10 seconds left in the half - Schwartz secured a hat trick with a third goal at 8:37. It was 3-1 at the break.

FC inched closer soon after play resumed (36:59); de Souza drove in and seemed to bounce one over the Cubs' keeper to make it 3-2. At 24:25 Wildcat goalie Dalton Ward saved a shot on goal but couldn't catch up to the rebound shot that put Madison back up by

two. The Cats had an answer only 40 seconds later as de Souza captured his own hat trick.

A 4-3 game, the Jefferson County squad owned the final 15 minutes. At 14:21 Schwartz finished a 1v1 and a minute later, he passed to teammate Bode Heckler at the top of the 18 for another score. Madison ignored a second yellow card (12:39) to go up 7-3 on a PK with 9:13 left.

The boys lost the regular season finale across the border at Oxford's Talawanda last Wednesday, falling to the Brave 8-2. The match was tied 2-2 at halftime.

FC finished 4-9 and 2-5 in EIAC action. Seniors were Landon Brewer, Brian Chen, Luis Montanez-Marban, Jonathan Wattman, Cole Kelley, Ward, Ben Bryant and Casey Mitchum.

Lady Cats impress on senior night

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The Lady Wildcats had an impressive Senior Night last Tuesday, securing two victories over rival Connersville!

The JV Wildcats kicked off the evening with a hard-fought 1-0 win against their opponents. They dominated the field with 27 total shots, nine of which were on target. The game's lone goal came from sophomore Calie Lee, who found the net with just three minutes remaining in the second half. Goalkeeper Cheyenne Jenkins made four crucial saves, while senior Liz Wendel contributed three. Lee's

outstanding performance earned her the Max Preps Player of the Game honor.

In the varsity match-up, the Lady Wildcats continued the winning streak with a decisive 4-0 victory over the Lady Spartans, showcasing resilience against challenging weather conditions. The team recorded 11 shots, with six on goal. Freshman Anabelle Wiseemann opened the scoring with two goals, both assisted by senior Madesyn Sunderhaus. Madesyn then scored a goal herself, assisted by junior Sayla Sacksteder, while sophomore Sam-

my Bright capped off the scoring. Seniors Shyla Beard and Kylee Bolser were instrumental in creating offensive opportunities, and the defensive line—comprising seniors Esther George, Audrey Weaver, Mackenzie Brzezinski, and Ella Flannery—effectively limited Connersville's chances. Wendel made seven saves. Earning the Max Preps Player of the Game title was Weaver, who excelled defensively.

Don't miss the opportunity to support the Lady Wildcats as they head into sectional play against Greensburg Oct. 9, 7 p.m. in Batesville!

FC cross country

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FC freshman Khloe Caudill continued as the lone Wildcat cross country runner in the Greensburg Invitational Thursday. She ran the race in 36:18. The conference championships are Saturday at Batesville.

FC volleyball

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SPORTS EDITOR

Lady Wildcat varsity volleyball dropped a straight-set match to county rival Oldenburg Academy Monday, 25-21, 25-20, 25-19. A tough Lawrenceburg team felled the Cats Thursday, 25-3, 25-11, 25-16. In another conference match against first-place Batesville last Tuesday, FC lost 25-9 in three consecutive sets.

FC (5-23, 1-6) hosts South Dearborn Thursday.



photo Will Fehlinger
Quinn Gillman.

Author Kim Howard visiting Brookville Library

The Franklin County Public Library District is excited to welcome author Kim Howard to the Brookville Library on Oct. 21.

Howard will be joining us for a special story time and hosting a writer's workshop. Her visit is paid through a grant from the Indiana Authors Awards Speakers Program. This program has sent past and current Indiana Authors

Award winners and finalists to organizations across the state.

Howard is a relatively new author. Her book "Grace and Box" was the winner of the 2022 Indiana Author's Award in the children's category and represented Indiana in the 2023 National Book Festival.

Howard will be reading both of her books, along with sharing songs and games to go

along with them at 10 a.m. at Brookville Library. Later in the day at 1 p.m., she will be hosting a writer's workshop geared toward students in grades 2-5, but open to all. Howard will share her brainstorming and planning methods, work through writing exercises, and share feedback.

Writers planning to attend the workshop are asked to bring notebooks to jot down ideas.

Paid Statehouse internship applications closing soon

The Oct. 31 deadline to apply for an Indiana House Republican internship during the 2025 legislative session is fast approaching, according to State Rep. Lindsay Patterson (R-Brookville).

This full-time, spring semester internship is Monday through Friday at the Statehouse in Indianapolis during the legislative session, which will start in January and conclude in April. House interns earn \$900 biweekly and can gain academic credit through their college or university.

"If you are interested in learning more about our government and how

public policy decisions in Indiana are made, an internship at the Statehouse is a great place to start," Patterson said. "Interns make connections, grow their resume and build confidence throughout this experience. I highly encourage anyone interested to apply before the October 31st deadline."

Patterson said interested college sophomores, juniors, seniors, graduate students and recent graduates of all majors should visit indianahousepublicans.com/internship to complete the application before Oct. 31.

Indiana House in-

ternships include free parking, career and professional development assistance, and enrollment access to an Indiana government class. Interns are also eligible to apply for a competitive \$3,000 scholarship to use toward undergraduate and graduate expenses.

The program offers opportunities for students to work in various departments related to their studies, including legislative operations, policy and communications.

Applications are available online at indianahousepublicans.com/internship and are due by Oct. 31.

BES receives financial grant to boost physical activity

The American Heart Association's school-based programs, Kids Heart Challenge™ and American Heart Challenge™, awarded \$1,336 to Brookville Elementary School in Brookville for the pur-

chase of PE equipment. The annual grant program supports schools by funding resources to extend school wellness initiatives. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, less than 24%

of children and adolescents aged 6-17 get the recommended amount of physical activity each day.

"Resources for new equipment are always at a premium, so we (See "HEART" pg. 12)

LIBRARY CORNER

Plein Air Sites: Plein Air weekend is quickly approaching (Oct. 18-20), and we are looking for properties for our artists to visit! If you own one of Franklin County's many scenic spots and would like to invite artists to set up their easels there, please contact the libraries. Send us your locations by Oct. 11.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest: If you are participating in our contest, decorated pumpkins are due back before Oct. 12 for judging. Pumpkins may be decorated however you like, but families must use the Styrofoam pumpkin provided. Pumpkins will be displayed for voting from Oct. 14-26 and can be taken home starting Oct. 28. Happy decorating!

Spider Web Slime: What do you get when you mix your favorite slime recipe with instant snow powder...stringy spider web slime! Join us in making this spooky slime! Oct. 11 at Brookville Library at 1 p.m. Oct. 22 at Laurel Library at 1 p.m.

Mask Decorating: Come to Brookville Library to get creative with masks! We will have pre-cut masks and different supplies to decorate. You only have to bring your imagination! Oct. 14 at 1 p.m.

Second Monday Book Club: The Second Monday Book Club will meet on Oct. 14 at 6 p.m. at Brookville Library. The October selection is *Someday, Maybe* by Onyi Nwabineli.

ABC Bootcamp: Let's practice those ABCs! Join us for a time of play while we learn about the letters in our names. Playdough, songs, yoga, magnets, and more will help us practice our letters and their sounds. Oct. 15 at Laurel Library at 10 a.m.

Library Board: The Franklin County Public Library District board will meet at Brookville Library on Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

Chapter Chasers Book Club: Pick up a copy of *Inspector Flytrap* by Tom Angleberger starting Oct. 1, read the book, join us at book club for discussion, and learn about real Venus Fly Trap plants! Oct. 17 at Brookville Library at 5 p.m.

Casper's Halloween Special Movie and Snacks: Our favorite friendly ghost tries his hardest to enjoy a night of trick-or-treating, but his ghost roommates cause all kinds of trouble! Enjoy this classic Halloween special with a snack. Oct. 18 at Brookville Library at 10 a.m.

Imagination Storytime with Kim Howard: Join us for a special storytime with author Kim Howard! She will be reading both of her books, along with sharing songs and games to go along with her stories. Oct. 21 at Brookville Library at 10 a.m.

Writer's Workshop with Kim Howard: Join us for an hour-long writer's workshop with author Kim Howard! Go behind the scenes with Kim as she tells us her brainstorming and planning method, then work through some writing exercises complete with feedback from Kim herself. This writer's workshop is geared toward students in grades 2-5, but any aspiring writers are welcome! And kids, don't forget to bring your notebooks to jot down ideas and begin your next story! Oct. 21 at Brookville Library at 1 p.m.

Ghost Family Painting: We are bringing out those squeegees for another scrape painting! This time we will be making a family portrait...of ghosts! Oct. 22 at Laurel Library at 5 p.m.

Minecraft Challenge: Test your Minecraft skills in a one-hour creative mode challenge. Details will be given at the start of the challenge. Feel free to bring your own devices and/or login information! Oct. 25 at Laurel Library at 1 p.m.

Sheffie Squad Book Club: Pick up a copy of *The Curse on Spectacle Key* by Chantel Acevedo, read the book, and join us at book club for discussion and a ghost painting! Oct. 28 at Brookville Library at 5 p.m.

Don't Be Sus, Play Video Games With Us: Let's practice our teamwork... and betrayal! Crewmates will need to work together and complete tasks before the Imposters get you. iPads will be provided. Oct. 29 at Laurel Library at 5 p.m.

Face Painting: Don't have a costume? No worries! Drop by the Laurel Library and get your face painted before heading out to trick or treat! Oct. 31 at 5:30 p.m.

Fantasy Book Club: Fantasy Book Club is a flexible, online book club where everyone can participate when it is most convenient. Book discussions will happen online via the book club's Facebook page, which you can find on the library's website. We will vote on a new book each month.

Family Crafters: Come create with us! In this program, we'll explore art through various mediums. This is a bi-weekly program at Brookville Library that will be on Thursdays at 6 p.m. beginning Sept. 5.

Dungeons and Dragons: Take role-play gaming to the next level with Calloway and Tiffany as your Dungeon Masters. Calloway hosts an 18+ D&D on the first and third Mondays of the month. Tiffany hosts teen D&D on Thursdays. All D&D events take place at Brookville Library at 6 p.m.

Jr. Crafters: Create with us! In this weekly program, we'll explore art through various mediums. It is recommended for ages 9 and up. Fridays at 4:30 p.m. at Laurel Library.

StoryWalks®: The StoryWalk® continues at Brookville's Town Park, the Mounds State Rec Area's Wildlife Wander Trail, and the Yellow Bank Trailhead. Each trail features a picture book, encourages literacy, physical activity, and spending time outdoors, and is perfect for families of all ages! The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Brookville's Totspot Storytime: Mrs. Herbert conducts story times at 10 a.m. on Mondays. Check our Facebook page for updates.

24/7 Wi-Fi: Please feel free to utilize the Wi-Fi provided 24/7 in our parking lots in Brookville and Laurel.

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PET OF THE WEEK


FRANKLIN CO. ANIMAL SHELTER

Meet Nigel!



Everyone meet Nigel! Nigel is the longest resident at The Franklin County Animal Shelter and is looking for a special family to love. Nigel is a sweet boy with a silly personality who LOVES attention. He would be a great companion for someone. He is 6-7 years old, neutered and up to date on all his shots. He does need to be the only dog in the household. You can meet this smiling sweetheart at The Franklin County Animal Shelter 9076 Landfill Road, Metamora Indiana on Mondays and Thursdays from 4:30-6:30 or Saturdays from 9:00-12:00. Please contact The Friends of Franklin County Animal Shelter via Facebook for more information about sweet Nigel.

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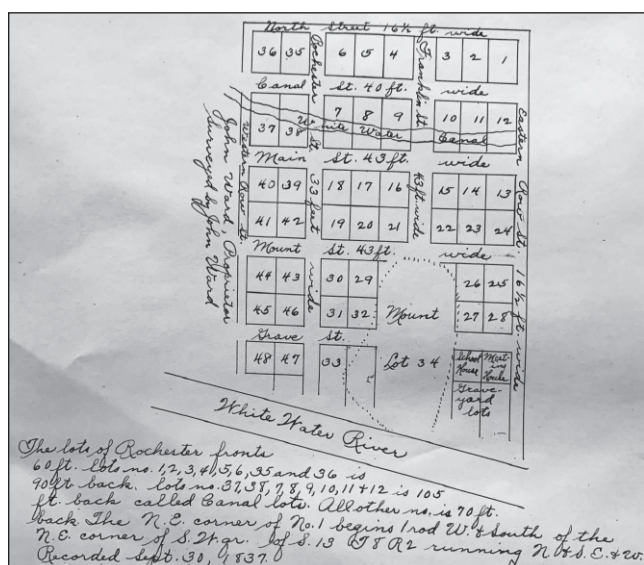
Not a route to travel, but the transformation of a town.

Rochester, the original name of the town of Cedar Grove, is in Highland Township. Settlers came in the early 1800s and John Conner (1775-1826), who went on to found Connersville in Fayette County and serve as a State Senator and Representative, was one of the earliest traders there.

Why is Rochester important? Because it was a canal town - a canal town that not only shipped goods but was a destination for receiving goods, as well as a stopping point for weary travelers along the line. Most importantly, canal boats were manufactured there. In Franklin County, Metamora is the better known of the canal towns because it still has a small segment of the canal extant and was highly marketed in the mid-20th century as a tourist attraction. Laurel, Brookville, and New Trenton were also canal towns, but the canal ran on the outskirts of those areas - not through a central part of town as it did in Metamora and Rochester.

I won't go into excruciating detail here regarding the canal, as that topic has been touched on in past *Forgotten Franklin County* articles. What I will do is bring up a few questions that'll make you go hmmm - maybe ones you can answer or maybe ones that will make you want to do further investigation into your county's fascinating local history.

The town of Rochester was there before the Whitewater Canal came through.



The town of Rochester as it looked platted by John Ward in 1837. Maps like this are available for viewing at the Franklin County Recorder's Office.

John Ward is considered the town's founder. But unfortunately, his scenario is like those of many other pioneer settlers in Franklin County's early history - very little biographical information about him exists today. In fact, members of the Ward family have been searching for genealogical answers for over 40 years with little success.

Basically, all that is known about John Ward is that he was born in Virginia about 1790 and was in Franklin County by 1816. He was an active participant in many private and public ventures in Franklin County and platted the town of Rochester in 1837 from lands he personally owned. Unfortunately, Ward's final fate is currently unknown. Census records show he was alive in 1850 but it appears he died by 1860. No record of his death or a burial location has been found.

In 1803, there were approximately 10 families living along Big Cedar Creek near what would become Rochester and eventually Cedar Grove. According to research done by Paul N. Bischoff, an odd tidbit of trivia regarding the Rochester area claims John Conner had a mill in town and Anthony Halberstadt lived near that mill. Halberstadt was one of the thousands of Hessian soldiers taken prisoner by General George Washington near Trenton during the American Revolution. The United States Congress authorized the granting of up to 50 acres of land to individual Hessian soldiers who switched sides. Halberstadt switched sides. This Hessian, turned American Revolution soldier, lived in Pennsylvania before moving here to Highland Township. He died in Franklin County in 1835 and is assumed to be buried in the Little Cedar Grove Baptist Church cemetery.

To give you a basic timeline regarding Rochester and the canal...In 1834, the Indiana Legislature directed canal commissioners to begin surveying what is known as the Whitewater Canal. The survey work was completed in 1835. In January of 1836, construction of the Whitewater Canal was approved by the Indiana Legislature. In 1837, John Ward laid off part of his land in Franklin County as a town and named it Rochester. In October 1838, the "T. Morse & Company Boatyard" was in full swing in Rochester. (They were a completely separate operation from the canal construction project.) In June of 1839, the first canal boat traveled on the lower section from Lawrenceburg to Brookville, passing through Rochester.

The actual canal construction work was separated into 138 sections of which an individual contract was let for the construction of each. The section at Rochester was number 50 and extended from Big Cedar Creek to the east side of town. Several contracts were let in September of 1836. There were approximately 25 contractors and companies involved in the canal construction from Cambridge City on south. Construction took place in many sections simultaneously, although construction was generally completed earlier in the southern sections.



No historic renderings or drawings exist from the time the Whitewater Canal was in service through Rochester. This photo, taken after the 1913 Flood devastated the area, is the only one to date that explicitly identifies the canal in town. The railroad tracks seen to the right were laid on the old towpath of the canal. Image from the Shirley Seufert collection, FCPLD.

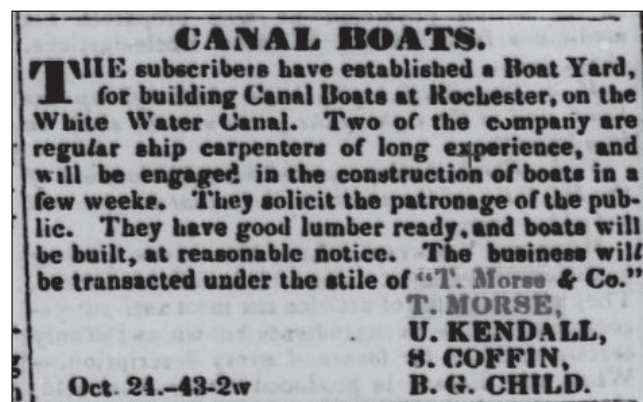
The Rochester section was the site of the "Big Cedar Creek Aqueduct" and Lock No. 14, which had an 8' lift.

The "Big Cedar Creek" Aqueduct was located at the west end of town. An aqueduct would allow a canal boat to travel over a body of water - a waterway over water. Lock No. 14 was located about 400' northwest, up what is today the abandoned railroad bed from the Spring Branch culvert. It would have been adjacent to the current barn located at 406 2nd Street. A lock is an impressive stone structure which consists of a watertight chamber used to adjust water levels as required. Boats were then raised or lowered by filling or emptying the lock chamber. Gates at each end of the lock chamber allowed the boats to enter and leave. There are no remains of this mighty structure, unless it was filled in and buried over.

Regarding the T. Morse & Company Boatyard...The first canal boat constructed at Rochester, "The Native" was also known as a packet boat, as it carried both passengers and freight. Co-owner of the T. Morse Boatyard, Stephen Coffin, over-

saw construction of "The Native" and also served as its first captain. This boat made regular trips between Lawrenceburg and Brookville, leaving Brookville on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 a.m. and arriving in Lawrenceburg in the evening. On Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, "The Native" left Lawrenceburg at 6:30 a.m., arriving in Brookville the same evening. It made the inaugural trip to Brookville on July 3, 1839. There were many canal boats constructed at Rochester, and at least six were located there.

Today, there are no remnants of the boatyard left to see. There are a few theories on its location, and Paul N. Bischoff believes it was located near the north side of the aqueduct near Big Cedar Creek. He claims, "I have seen a very old photo of a saw mill along the creek just a little more north. It makes sense that the boatyard would have been near the saw mill and the creek."



The T. Morse Canal Boat company only advertised two times in local Franklin County newspapers, the October 26 & November 2, 1838 *American*.

In 1842, there was an ad in the local newspaper for a new "line" for travel between Cincinnati to Brookville passing through Rochester. In an effort to improve travel time, a canal boat would make the trip between Brookville and Lawrenceburg, where they would then board a steamboat on the Ohio River for the Cincinnati portion of the trip.

In 1847, there was a significant flood which was responsible for considerable damage to the canal. This was a financial setback and an ongoing problem. Continued maintenance requirements were expensive and with the advent of the railroad, the canal was out of service by the end of the Civil War.

So why the name change? Over the years, on maps and in a variety of written documents, the names Rochester and Cedar Grove were used interchangeably. It wasn't until Jan. 16, 1851, when the General Assembly of Indiana passed an Act to legally change Franklin County's town of Rochester to Cedar Grove, "the name of the post-office in said place."

On Jan. 30, 1833, the first postmaster, Hezekiah Coffin, was appointed at Rochester even though the town had not yet been formally platted. It was because of the United States' Post Office designations that Rochester eventually had to change its name. Some of the key dates in this chain of events include...In 1835, the town of Rochester in *Fulton County*, Indiana was officially platted - this was two years prior to the one in Franklin County being officially recorded. In 1836, a postmaster was appointed for the town of Rochester in *Fulton County*. In 1837, the town of Rochester in Franklin County was laid out and officially platted and recorded in county records. Since there was already a town and a post office with a functioning name of Rochester established in *Fulton County*, the town of Rochester in Franklin County had to name their post office something different. There could only be one post office in the state with a particular name. The name Cedar Grove was assigned to Franklin County's Rochester Post Office.

So, my questions for you to think about...

Multiple people have done research regarding the Whitewater Canal through Rochester but can't find anything in detail about the canal boat construction company owned by T. Morse. Exactly where was the canal boat manufacturing yard? Why have other stories and lore been passed down about the town and its people but not something as significant as the location of where canal boats were made? This crucial chunk of local history is missing - but how can that be when many families in Cedar Grove have resided there for multiple generations? Have oral stories been lost and old papers and records just been tossed?

Lock No. 14 was supposed to have been near 406 2nd Street. If you look to the west of that address to 305 2nd Street, there's a small house. If you've never seen the building, it is an odd little thing. It's constructed of bricks and resonates of 1820s-40s architecture, and is atypical for our area; the back of the slim structure



What was the intended purpose of this odd little building on 2nd Street in Cedar Grove? Its walls hold a fabulous history yet to be rediscovered.

is higher than the front. Does this building predate the town? Was it built as a house or some type of public structure? Or, since it was so near the canal - basically right on its towpath - was it a built as a canal-specific building? Some thought this might have been the location of the Morse canal boat company since such enterprises would have included a small office and wood shop of some configuration. However, if the lock was at this same location, perhaps the building served

a different purpose. Was it used as a lockkeepers' house? Someone had to be on call when the boats came through town. This unassuming little structure has a lot more significance than anyone realizes. We just can't find the facts. And once again, why is there no written history or oral tradition about this building? Would an archaeological investigation prove that parts of the massive Canal Lock No. 14 are still in town but just buried? If the canal lock had been dismantled and used for other purposes surely some building in town would have utilized the cut stones. Why are there no oral stories or writings about what happened to Lock No. 14?

HMMMM?

If you know, give me a call.

I mentioned the name Paul N. Bischoff more than once. If you are interested in local history and want to learn more about the changes Rochester experienced over the years, Paul's book, *Rochester to Cedar Grove: The Transformation of Franklin County's Highland Township Canal Town*, is available for \$24 at the Brookville Library's Local History & Genealogy Department. So, this week's column is not just to bring Rochester to your attention, but to remind you know that your local library offers some interesting books about communities located all throughout Franklin County.

Julie Schlesselman
Local History & Genealogy Department Manager, FCPLD
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TAKE A BREAK: LEAVE THE LEAVES

Richard Stoll
COLUMNIST

Leaves are a natural habitat for butterflies, salamanders, chipmunks, box turtles, toads, shrews, earthworms and others. They lay eggs in the leaves and feed on and under the leaf layer. By raking or blowing leaves, you disrupt their life cycle and eliminate beneficial insects.

Leaving the leaves is also a great way to feed valuable micro-organisms that make soil healthier and help plants grow stronger. As leaves decay, they add organic matter back into the soil which lessens the need for fertilizer. If you must remove leaves, use them as mulch in your existing garden beds or compost them on site rather than throwing them away.

MARGARET MARY HEALTH TO OFFER DRIVE-THRU FLU CLINICS

Flu season usually occurs in the fall and winter, and again this year, Margaret Mary Health recommends the vaccine as your best line of defense. If you haven't been vaccinated, MMH is offering patients flu shots at two upcoming drive-thru clinics.

The clinics will be held from 1-5 p.m. on Oct. 24 and Oct. 30 at the Batesville Street Department Garage, located at 514 S. John St. Appointments are

not required. Bring your insurance cards with you. Vaccines are covered by most insurance plans, but they may also be provided for free to those who qualify.

For those who can't attend a drive-thru clinic, MMH offers the flu vaccine through the primary care provider offices or both COVID and flu shots at the Occupational Health and Wellness Center by calling 812.932.5105.

Source: MMH

LOCAL HELP FOR PEOPLE WITH MEDICARE

Medicare open enrollment occurs Oct. 15 through Dec. 7, and during this time, anyone can change their Medicare coverage. To help our community navigate their options, Margaret Mary Health partners with the State Health Insurance Assistance Program to offer free and impartial counseling for people on Medicare.

To schedule an appointment, call 812.933.5254 and leave your contact information. You will be advised of your meeting time and location when your appointment is scheduled. Please bring your Medicare card and a complete list of medications to your scheduled meeting.

Source: MMH

Everything Halloween around the region

Cassie Garrett
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

Franklin County Mt. Carmel Elementary Trunk or Treat

Oct. 11 - 6 to 7 p.m.
A Trunk-or-Treat will be held at the Mt. Carmel School parking lot. There will also be food, raffles, and s'mores.

Haunted Village of Metamora

Oct. 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 - 7:30 to 10 p.m.
The frights begin with a hay ride and then a guided tour throughout town. The cost is \$5 per person.

Ghost Train of Metamora

Oct. 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 - 6:45 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 8:15 p.m. & 9:01 p.m.
The Ghost Train of Metamora runs in conjunction with the Haunted Village of Metamora. This family-friendly (no blood or gore) half-hour excursion is great for ghosts and goblins of all ages. As the train travels through the dark countryside, passengers will be haunted by characters from our ghost story. All seats are \$15 for ages two and up.

This popular event sells out quickly; buy early for the best selection. The Metamora ticket office is located at 19056 Main St, Metamora, IN 47030. Purchase tickets online at www.white-watervalleyrr.org/ events or by phone at 765 825-2054.

Brookville Haunted Wine Walk and Tour Oct. 19 - 6 to 9 p.m. Tour six historic buildings and enjoy wine tasting in numerous shops. Check-in starts at 5:30 p.m. at Valley House Tavern, 468 Main Street, Brookville. Tickets purchased in advance are \$20 per person and \$30 per couple. Tickets purchased the night of the event are \$25 per person and \$40 per couple.

Metamora Trick or Treat Oct. 26 - 5 to 7 p.m.

Brookville Trick or Treat Oct. 31 - 6 to 8 p.m.

Laurel Trick or Treat Oct. 31 - 5 to 7 p.m.

Rush County Halloween on Main Oct. 26

Yaryan Eye Center Heart presents Halloween on Main at Third Street and the farmer's Market from

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be free games, a free bounce house, free goodie bags, and free pumpkin painting (while supplies last). There will also be local vendors and food trucks onsite. The parade and costume contest begin at 1 p.m. The movie at Princess Theatre is at 2 p.m., and the Monster Mash Community Dance is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the farmer's market.

Rushville Trick or Treat

Oct. 31 - 5 to 8 p.m.
Trunk or Treat at Eagle's Parking Lot Oct. 31 - 5 to 8 p.m.

Trick-or-Treat at The Waters of Rushville

Oct. 31 - 6:30 to 7 p.m.
The Waters is located at 612 E. 11th St.

Ripley County Versailles State Park Halloween Spooktacular

Oct. 19 - 3 to 8 p.m.
Versailles State Park, 1387 U.S. 50 East, Versailles, is hosting its Halloween Spooktacular. There will be a costume contest from 3 to 4 p.m. Registration will be from 3 to 3:15 p.m. Judging will be from 3:15 to 4 p.m. Campsites have to be decorated by 8 p.m. for

the campsite decorating contest. Judging begins at 8 p.m. Trick or treating lasts from 4 to 7 p.m.

Batesville Historical Halloween Train Display

Oct. 18 from 2 to 5 p.m.
Oct. 19 from 2 to 6 p.m.
Oct. 25 from 2 to 5 p.m.
Oct. 26 from 2 to 6 p.m.

The cost is \$5 per family or any monetary donation. The display location is 15 W. George St. in Batesville. Along with the trains, the Phantom of the Opera will play Halloween-themed music on the organ.

City of Batesville Trick or Treat

Oct. 31 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Union County Whitewater Memorial State Park Spooktacular

Oct. 12
The Whitewater Memorial State Park, 1418 S. St. Rd. 101, Liberty, will host Spooktacular on Oct. 12, offering various family fun and fall activities. There will be programs, hikes, the annual campsite decorating contest, a (See "HALL" pg. 13)

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these meetings? Why isn't everybody invited to these meetings?"

Hayes asked what meetings were in reference, but this did not sit well with Beesley. So, Hayes further clarified she attends these meetings as a council representative, as no other board member goes.

Moving right into a second complaint, Rebecca demanded to know why Hayes allowed Estridge (at a previous meeting) to hire the Reedy Group to analyze the golf course for a potential sale when she knew it couldn't be sold.

"I watched that meeting. You sat right there and allowed him (Estridge) to hire the Reedy Group, knowing full well that it couldn't be sold," Beesley said.

Hayes denied the accusation, stating she voted against the hiring and added that the board collectively made the final vote to hire. Beesley continued to push - why did she keep quiet when she knew the course couldn't be sold? Hayes explained she thought hiring the group was purely to check out the golf course's finances, not to sell it. It should be noted the intent to sell

was discussed in the previous meeting. BTC member Patrick (Rick) Whitaker spoke up, clarifying that he was the one who mentioned selling the course. Hayes again said she did not know of this intent, and again stated she believed the Reedy Group was hired for a financial analysis, not to prepare for selling it. Estridge asked what Hayes believed the next step would have been if the financials showed the course wasn't making money, which was met with an undecided answer. BTC member Curtis Ward had not been present at the aforementioned meeting, so he remained quiet during this portion of the discussion. No decision was made regarding the future of the golf course.

Next, a different community member addressed the board's extreme need for clearer communication and transparency. They claimed there is an abuse of power on the board, and meetings do not usually produce answers, and most of the time, topics are skimmed over and ignored.

Moving on, Estridge made a motion to put the Brookville Redevel-

opment Commission in charge of the comprehensive plan. He adds that some believe Hayes is taking over the meetings entirely, though he wouldn't say who those "some people" were. Hayes pointed out to Estridge that she was requested to sit on the board to score applications, and that was what she did. Estridge stated again he had a motion out on the floor for the redevelopment commission to be in charge. Hayes noted that nobody was in charge and that keeping the council out of the comprehensive plan was a bad idea as this was for everybody in Brookville. Hayes continued by saying just because of Estridge's personal dislike for her, there was no reason to cut off the council from the comprehensive plan, though Estridge denied this.

Estridge made it clear right after that he is targeting Hayes specifically with his motion, to which Hayes asks for a vote that she specifically, along with the other board members be removed from the comprehensive plan. It passed 4-1 with Hayes opposed.

The statement led to

another series of debates among the board members. Ward highlighted that during times of heightened frustration, the motions are often modified to align with a specific narrative. He further clarified that Estridge was motioning for the redevelopment commission to speak with him as the vice president, to which Hayes interrupted to point out that it was a direct exclusion of her.

The last upset of the evening was Hayes's refusal to shut down a gentleman who rudely told another guest to shut up at the Brookville Comprehensive Plan meeting. Angered that no action had been taken at the time, Hayes was asked why she didn't rectify this if she was there. Hayes responded by saying she was not in charge of the meeting and was not the only BTC member there as Whitaker was also in attendance.

Whitaker stated that she was "running" the meeting so it should have been her responsibility. Hayes denied running this meeting.

An extended recap of the BTC meeting will be available on social media this week.

ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

Due to the owner moving to a nursing home, the below real estate & personal property will be offered at public auction located at 12796 North County Road 400 East Batesville, Indiana. At the Intersection of Hwy 46 & Hwy 129, Go South 2 1/2 miles to 1200 N, Turn & Proceed East for 1 Mile to 400 East, Turn & Go 0.8 Miles North to Auction Site. Go to auctionzip.com/#9334 for pictures.

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Margaret Mary Health Foundation raises \$1 million at gala

Thanks to the generosity of our community, Margaret Mary Health Foundation raised \$1 million at its “Off to the Races” gala held Sept. 28 at Walhill Farm in Batesville. All donations will support the construction of Margaret Mary Health’s new hospital currently being built at the Six Pine Ranch campus. With 500 people in attendance, the event featured a wonderful premium experience and horse racing game, cocktail hour, dinner, paddle raiser and live and silent auctions.



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Franklin County Community Foundation Executive Director Shelly Lunsford (middle) presents a matching donation of \$225,000 to MMH President Liz Leising and Margaret Mary Health Foundation Executive Director Jonathon Maple.

Through the synergistic partnership with the Franklin County Community Foundation, every dollar donated was matched to the \$225,000 mark. The fundraising didn’t stop there as guests continued to raise their paddles for thousands of dollars in support of MMH. Ripley County Community Foundation also came to the stage to pledge its support of \$100,000 towards the new hospital.

The night concluded with dancing and live music by Groove Essentials out of Indianapolis.

“We are so excited about the evening’s success – the generosity and excitement in the room was palpable, and we are so grateful,” said Jonathon Maple, MMHF Executive Director.

The gala marked the launch of the

Health Foundation’s \$10 million capital campaign for the new hospital. To contribute and get involved in this transformational project, contact Maple at 812.933.5141 or Jonathon.maple@mmhealth.org.
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Apex Products legacy reaches 50-year milestone for son

Cheyenne Lance
LEAD STAFF WRITER

Roger McQueen, well known around the region for his dedication to delivering propane and executing the highest customer service, will complete his 50th anniversary next Monday, Oct. 14, 2024.

Fifty years he has been doing this job, having started his journey when he was just six years old! Yep, six years old. Roger had been out with his dad on the job, always out and about with him, when one house required someone small to fit in the crawl space underneath. Roger, at six years old, was the one to complete this task and he remembers how "it was snug down there" and there was a little blanket of snow.

Roger's father was Everett "Junior" McQueen, who built the company. Junior took Roger everywhere on his jobs and as Roger grew up, he began to help more and more. In fact, while in school, he would consistently stare out the window

as he waited for his dad's propane truck to drive by.

Also growing up, Roger was typically sent off with other drivers in the company constantly. This was because Roger knew where they lived and how to get there! He was a built-in navigation system alongside acting as an employee. When not riding with others, Roger would spend his weekends painting cylinders, filling them up, prepping all of them for delivery, and completing a day's work.

One of Roger's vivid memories as he started working for his dad was getting pulled over off IN-244 and US-52. The officer was checking licenses and registrations, so when asked, Roger handed his over. Now, while he got his license in July and it was October when he was pulled over, Roger had to explain that he wasn't old enough for his chauffeur's license just yet.

When further questioned, Roger explained that he wasn't hired to drive so much

as directly told to do so - that he was drafted.

"When dad tells you to do something, by God, you better do it," Roger stated to the officer as his final explanation.

After all, they couldn't call the company on him. The company was his family, which is why it was completely fine for Roger to always be riding with his dad!

In the end, Roger was let go and he continued his job. In fact, he even missed school a few times just to go on long trips to pick up purchased trucks.

The previous company name was Apex Products, but was sold and now goes by Premier Energy. Despite it no longer being a family business, Roger has no plans on slowing down. His dad worked for 52 years and Roger plans to work for 53. He's serviced six families, six generations deep, and has worked in all kinds of weather.

"I've seen it all, done it all, and heard it all...I just can't remember it all," Roger jokes.

In fact, when not



Pictured is Roger McQueen.

photo provided

with Premier, Roger has been asked to transfer to the Crops Division in Greensburg and that they would actually like him to come out now. His position there would be utilizing the liquid spray for crops such as corn and beans.

Roger isn't in any hurry, though. He's completed 50 years already and is eager to continue. He's up everyday at 6:30 a.m., works upwards of 12

hours, and probably hits 150+ miles per day. In all these years, Roger has never once had an accident, and when asked, he also said that on average, he drives about 30K miles per year.

That's over 1 million miles in 50 years!

He's always delighted to have his kids and grandkids in the truck as they all love being inside, just like he did as a child.

McQueen services

Franklin, Fayette, Decatur, Shelby, and Ripley counties. While he is excited to be reaching 50 years in this industry, Roger also hopes to spread some positivity with his story.

So, if you see Roger McQueen out and about, give him a shout out, tell him congratulations, and show your support to this hardworking, dedicated man!






2024 Calendar of Events

OCT 19	Haunted Wine Walk and Cellar Tour	Starting at Third Place @ 734 Main Street
NOV 23	November Noel	Courthouse Lawn @ 4th & Main St. & Local Businesses Visit Santa @ Courthouse Gazebo, 1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m.
DEC 7	Cookie Crumb Trail	Brookville's Local Restaurants & Businesses
DEC 14	Holiday Tour of Historic Homes	Tour Historic Homes in Brookville

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WHITewater PUB INTERN CARSYN PATTERSON

Hi, my name is Carsyn Patterson I am an intern at Whitewater Print Solutions. I am a senior at Franklin County High School and play golf. My family consist of my mom Lindsay, dad Brian, and my brother Aydyn. Also, I have a dog named Wynston! I chose to intern at Whitewater Print Solutions to learn about graphic design and

how to do it. I shadowed Ryan Thalls who taught me about graphic design and how to use the applications that they used in the office. Some things that I learned from Whitewater Print Solutions is how to create brochures, posters, business cards and logos. In only nine weeks at Whitewater Print Solutions I learned so much, and I am very thankful for the oppor-



tunity that I was given. That's a little bit about me and what I did at Whitewater Print Solutions!



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ST. RD. 1 TO CLOSE OVER LITTLE DUCK CREEK IN FRANKLIN COUNTY , REOPENS OVER BUTLERS RUN

Indiana Department of Transportation contractor Paul H. Rohe Company plans to close State Road 1 over Little Duck Creek on or after Monday, Oct. 7, to

complete a box culvert replacement project in Franklin County as S.R. 1 has reopened over Butlers Run located south of Little Duck Creek.

The closure will take place approximately seven miles north of Brookville and is expected to be complete by mid-December, weather permitting.

During the closure, motorists should use the official detour route which follows S.R. 101 to S.R. 44 to S.R. 1 in Connersville. This project is part

of a \$6.7 million contract awarded to Paul H. Rohe in March 2023. The contract includes four district bridge projects. INDOT reminds drivers to slow

down, use extra caution and avoid distractions when traveling near work zones. All work is weather-dependent and schedules are subject to change.

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many of the morning announcements are things that our parents need to know, such as upcoming events, dates, times, sporting events, etc. So this is just one more avenue we can use to get information to the parents. We also felt like 5th grade was perfect timing to start working on

public speaking skills." Students take turns choosing their roles for the daily production. Some students work on writing the script, while others operate the camera and lights. Recently Fuller increased the number of anchors on screen from one to two each day. "They have watched

other student broadcasts as research," said Fuller. "They then meet and discuss changes and improvements that they can make as a team. The students do all of the work, except the editing. Even that

will be turned over to them soon." Filming is done early in the morning in an attempt to get the information out to families as soon as possible. "They love running the program," Fuller

said. "When given the choice, all of the students want to be in front of the camera. It has helped their public speaking skills and develop their confidence." Future plans are

to expand the filming throughout the school, with possible student and staff interviews coming in the future. The BES Daily News is posted each day on the BES website at <https://bes.fccsc.k12.in.us/>.

Heart ■ Continued from Page 7

are excited and grateful for this grant from the American Heart Association," said Miranda Rauch, PE teacher at Brookville Elementary. "We'll be using this grant to purchase new soccer balls, multi-purpose balls and jerseys among other items as we instill a love for physical activity in our students."

day, we are building a healthier future for everyone." Both the Kids Heart Challenge and American Heart Challenge are rooted in proven science, which has shown that kids who are regularly active have a better chance of a healthy adulthood[1]. More than 10 million students in 20,000 schools participate each year. These service-learning programs give students the opportunity to feel good while doing good.

Schools nationwide that participated in either the Kids Heart Challenge or American Heart Challenge during the 2023-24 school year were invited to apply for grants to fund resources to enhance their health and physical education programs. Seventy-seven schools were awarded grants, which will be used for various projects, including adding physical activity equipment, installing water filling stations, and enhancing educator training opportunities. The grant initiative provides funding twice per year - mid-school year and year end.

Participating students, families and staff learn valuable skills, including how to make smart food choices, the importance of avoiding vaping/tobacco and the lifesaving skill of Hands-Only CPR. Educators are also supported with lesson plans and resources to support their physical and mental well-being.

"As we move into our second century of lifesaving work, the American Heart Association remains deeply committed to youth through our in-school programs," said Dee Thornton, school engagement director with the American Heart Association. "These programs are essential because they equip young people with the knowledge and habits needed to lead heart-healthy lives. Our future is about improving yours, and by investing in the health of our youth to-

In addition to learning about heart health, participating students and families have the opportunity to give back to the community by raising funds for the American Heart Association. Dollars raised help advance cardiovascular research and outreach programs, paving the way for improved health outcomes for healthier communities.

Schools interested in the grant opportunity are encouraged to register now to participate in either Kids Heart Challenge or American Heart Challenge for the 2024-25 school year. To learn more, visit heart.org/getstarted.

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MICHAEL ANTHONY BILTZ,
DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of September, 2024, Laura Jo Tebbe was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Michael Anthony Biltz, deceased, who died on September 10, 2024.

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STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE FRANKLIN CIRCUIT COURT
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CAUSE NO. 24C01-2409-EU-000591
IN THE MATTER OF THE
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RAYMOND J. GRIESHOP,
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Raymond Jay Grieshop was, on September 27, 2024, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Raymond J. Grieshop, deceased, who died on September 10, 2024.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court, within three (3) months from the

against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court, within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice of administration, or within (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Brookville, Indiana, this 26th day of September, 2024.

Neysa R. Raible
Clerk of the Franklin Circuit Court of Franklin County
ATTORNEY FOR ESTATE:
Hamilton & Tebbe Law Office,
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Dated at Brookville, Indiana, on September 27, 2024.

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The Town of Brookville hereby advertises for and solicits sealed bids and proposals for the use of the public streets and rights-of-ways of the Town of Brookville in Franklin County, Indiana for the business of the collection, transportation and removal of solid waste and recyclables from all residences and most small commercial establishments within the Town of Brookville, other than those within multi-family residential buildings, or complexes thereof, with more than four single-family residences therein. The term of the contract shall be three (3) years beginning December 3, 2024.

All bids and proposals in response to this solicitation must be by the use of forms completed according to instructions available from the offices of the Town of Brookville, 1020 Franklin Ave, Brookville, IN 47012. Form 96 (Revised 2013) to include the "Non-Collusion Affidavit" and Bid Sum-

mary Forms must be completed according to the specifications and instructions and enclosed within a sealed envelope, with the words "Brookville Waste and Recyclables Collection Franchise" on the outside of the envelope.

All bids and proposals in response to this solicitation must be received by the Clerk Treasurer, Town of Brookville, 1020 Franklin Avenue, Brookville, IN 47012 on or before 4:00 p.m., prevailing time, on November 4, 2024. All bids received from responsible bidders in accordance with the above instructions shall be publicly opened at approximately 7:15 p.m. on that day. Bids will be opened at the Franklin County Government Center, 2nd floor meeting room, located at 1010 Franklin Avenue, Brookville, IN 47012. The Town of Brookville hereby reserves the right to reject any and all bids and proposals submitted in response hereto, and the right to waive specific bid requirements deemed non-essential, and bid irregularities deemed inconsequential by the Town of Brookville.

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costume contest, and trick-or-treating. A full schedule of programming and activities can be found online at <https://events.in.gov/DNR>

CCUS Trunk or Treat

Oct. 10 - 5:30 to 7 p.m.
Liberty Trick or Treat

Oct. 31 - 6 to 8 p.m.

Wayne County Halloween Spook-tacular at Forsaken Forest

Oct. 26 - 3 to 6 p.m.

Location: Forsaken Forest, 5970 Richmond

Join us for a day-time celebration filled with thrills, treats, and unforgettable memories for kids and adults alike. Monster Truck Rides: Buckle up in a roaring monster truck for an exhilarating ride! Kids and adults alike will love this bumpy, thrilling adventure.

Trunk or Treat: Trick-or-treat from trunk to trunk! Local businesses and community members will have their car trunks decorated in the spookiest styles with plenty of candy for all the little ghouls and goblins.

Face Painting, Crafts, and Games: Keep the fun going with creative Halloween crafts, festive face painting, and many games for kids of all ages!

Costume Parade: Show off your best Halloween costume in

our fun and friendly costume parade.

There will also be vendors, live entertainment and more. Tickets are available at <https://www.forsakenhaunt-fearfest.com/tickets>.

Scary Hollows Haunted Trail

Oct. 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 - 7 to 11 p.m.

The monsters return in full force for our 2024 season! Some Egyptians have set up shop and moved their pyramids in the middle of the trail. Don't miss a visit to the Scary Hollows Insane Asylum and the Creepy Caverns Dragon's Lair if you dare! The Scary Hollows Haunted Trail is located in Milton. Tickets are \$10 per person. The ticket includes a hayride, which delivers you to the trail and the haunted trail, ending in a corn maze.

Forsaken Dead Weekend at Forsaken Forest

Oct. 11 & 12, 7 p.m. to 12 a.m.

The dead don't just walk - they haunt! Forsaken Dead Weekend is a chilling experience inspired by everyone's favorite zombie apocalypse!

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haunted trails filled with bloodthirsty zombies - will you escape or become one of the forsaken? Apocalypse Afterparty: Keep the adrenaline pumping with live music, bonfire, monster truck rides, and more in our end-of-the-world celebration.

Willows of Richmond Trick or Treat

Oct. 24 - 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Residents will hand out candy to trick-or-treaters at Willows of Richmond, 2070 Chester Blvd., Richmond. There will also be a photo booth and face-painting station.

Trick or Treat in the Park

Oct. 26 - 5 to 7 p.m.

Come out to Glen Miller Park, 2200 E. Main St., Richmond, to trick or treat and play.

Henry County New Castle Trick or Treat

Oct. 31 - 5 to 8 p.m.

Fayette County Connersville Parks Department & First Responder Trunk or Treat

Oct. 29 - 5 p.m.

The Trunk or Treat location is 2900 N. Park Rd., Connersville.

Fayette County Eagles Lodge #1065 Halloween Party & Costume Contest

Oct. 26 - 6 to 11:45 p.m.

The Halloween Party will be located at 800 N Eastern Ave, Connersville, and is open to the public. The venue is smoke-free. There will be Halloween-themed drinks - meal menu to be announced. The Lee Whiteman Band will be playing from 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Costume contest at 9 p.m. The categories are:

- Best Overall Scariest
- Couple-Duo-Group
- Most Original

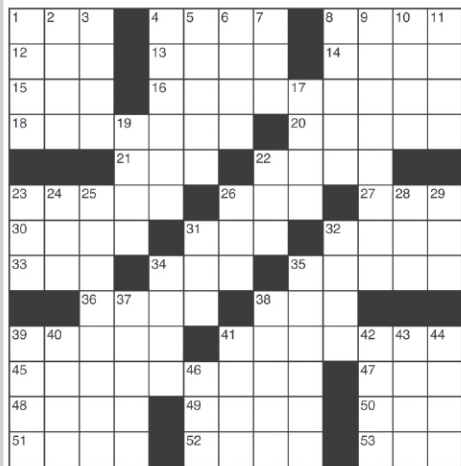
There will be gift cards awarded to the winners of each category.

Heritage House Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center Trunk or Treat

Oct. 18 - 5 p.m.

Put on your best Halloween costume and come see the residents and staff at Heritage House. Children can trick or treat at themed tables and trunks, with our residents and team members handing out candy to all the ghosts, princesses, superheroes and more! There will be refreshments as and photo opportunities. Please bring a trick-or-treat bag. For more information, call (765) 825-2148.

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- 31. Jazz instrument
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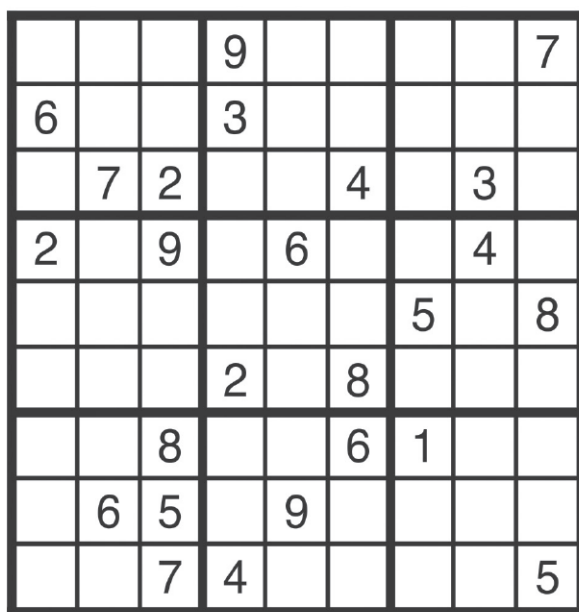
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- 17. Adored one
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- 22. Levy

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- 31. Entirety
- 32. Cups
- 34. Twinge
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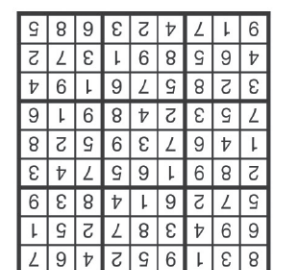
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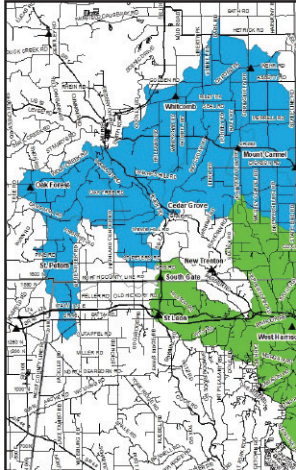
WHITEWATER RIVER WATERSHED PROJECT: COST SHARE PROGRAM FOR LAND OWNERS

Cassie Garrett
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

The Whitewater River Watershed Project was initiated in 2013 with its first 319 grant from IDEM's nonpoint source program. This endeavor led to the development of the Whitewater River Watershed Management Plan, which received approval from the EPA in August 2016. Subsequently, the project has been dedicated to implementing the plan by providing education and cost-share opportunities for best management practices aimed at enhancing water quality and reducing runoff. At present, the project is actively pursuing its third 319 implementation grant. This grant provides the necessary funds to sustain the project's efforts in implementing the watershed management plan. The Whitewater River Watershed offers a cost-share program designed to

assist landowners in installing and implementing best management practices (BMPs) on the ground, contributing to achieving project objectives and improving water quality in nearby streams. Some popular BMPs offered include heavy-use areas for winter feed near water tanks, livestock watering systems, grassed waterways, fencing for rotational grazing, and cover crops. Landowners can receive up to 70% cost-share on eligible practices, up to a maximum of \$18,000 during the current grant period. Priority will be given to landowners in the high-priority critical areas as established in the watershed management plan (see map). If funds are still available in mid-2025, landowners in the medium-priority critical regions will also be eligible for cost-share. If you are interested in installing Best Management Practices (BMPs) on your land or rented land, or if you would like more information about the project, please feel free to contact Heather Wirth at 812-212-1066 or via email at heather.wirth@in.nacdnet.net.

Whitewater River Watershed Critical Priority Areas



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High Priority - Currently eligible for funding

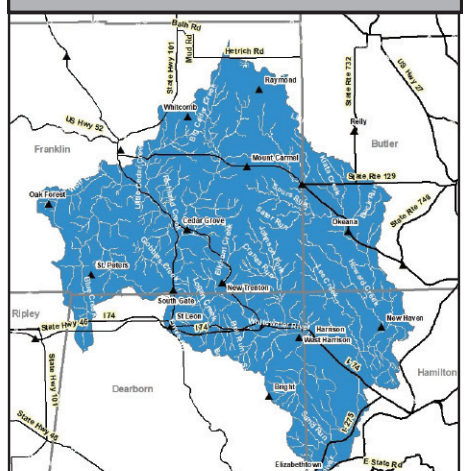
GREEN AREAS
Medium Priority - Eligible for funding mid 2025 if funds are still available

WHITE AREAS
No Priority - Not eligible for funding

For more information:
Heather Wirth, Watershed Coordinator
(812) 212-1066
heather.wirth@in.nacdnet.net

WHITEWATER RIVER WATERSHED

COST-SHARE PROGRAM 2024-27



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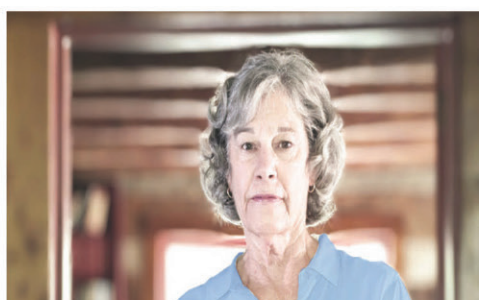
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