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COUNTY COVID LEVEL

Positive cases: 4 new, 10,621 total
Deaths: 0 new, 160 total
New tests: 102 new, 106,475 total
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Fully vaccinated county residents: 48.3%

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City rescinds emergency status, powers

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A city public health emergency put into place when the COVID-19 pandemic first struck was officially lifted Wednesday.

Additionally, executive powers related to the emergency status were rescinded. The "joyous" occasion drew claps and cheers from those in attendance at the Board of Public Works & Safety meeting, when the measure was approved. The move serves as the latest sign the country is ready to move on from two years of daily life upended by the virus.

"What a strange trip it's been," board member Erin Corbin said.



Barton

Met with praise by department heads and members of the audience, phrases like "amen" and "hallelujah" were clearly audible, seemingly pointed at the pandemic itself.

Barton said it was time to get the city back to normal.

"What it did was to give us flexibility to issue executive orders, to make purchases without going through the process, to speed it up. We did that in the first few months, but we left it in place just in case we had this big flare up again and had to adjust," he said. "But we've reached the point where we felt like it was

time to rescind that."

Emergency powers were utilized by Crawfordsville Mayor Todd Barton at the start of the pandemic, as a way of streamlining processes which simply took too long to keep up with the ever-changing virus.

Positive cases in Montgomery County have dropped significantly since the start of the year.

The downward trend now lends itself to warmer weather, when the virus has historically been less active.

The move is also in line with Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb's recent announcement that the state would also rescind its emergency executive powers.

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Fire and water damage to a residence in the 900 block of North Drive is visible from the roadway Wednesday after crews extinguished a blaze Tuesday evening.

Fire ravages home on North Drive

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A home on the city's north side was nearly destroyed by fire Tuesday.

Crews from the Crawfordsville Fire Department responded to reports of heavy, dark smoke coming from Pleasant Meadows subdivision.

Firefighters were able to get the main body of the fire under control after about 20 minutes, following their arrival at approximately 7:50 p.m. Tuesday, Chief Scott Busenbark said.

"It was a pretty significant fire. As soon as I came on scene, the fire broke through the roof of the home," Busenbark said. "We had crews go inside; we had a fire-attack section and a rescue section, because we didn't know if the home was occu-

piated or not."

No occupants were found following a search of the residence. However, three pets were rescued from the building and treated with special, cone-shaped oxygen masks designed for animals.

"We were able to bring two of them around, but, unfortunately, one of the dogs succumbed to smoke inhalation," Busenbark said.

The home is owned by Brad Tharp, who was not home at the time.

"Some of it was in the attic. It was tough to get to," Busenbark said. Crews remained on scene until roughly 10:30 p.m., overhauling the structure and checking for hotspots.

No other injuries were reported. Officers from the Crawfordsville Police Department assisted at the scene.

County nearly finished financing Tempur-Sealy project

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Montgomery County Council members approved the fourth and final round of financing Tuesday for infrastructure relating to the ongoing Tempur-Sealy project.

The company, which is currently erecting its \$138 million foam-pouring plant just outside Crawfordsville, is set to become the county's largest manufacturer and employer with 300 incoming jobs.

This fourth step in bond issuance will see to any remaining costs relating to the project which are primarily water and rail, Attorney Dan Taylor said.

"This is the Economic Development Commission's bond. This is a revenue bond. What this ordinance does, is that it pledges TIF revenues on the Tempur site only. As you'll recall, there's a TIF area just for the Tempur site," Taylor told board members. "This ordinance authorizes the (EDC) to go ahead and issue their bonds to pick up the last portion of the project."

The bonds were scheduled to be issued and closed in April, but anticipated changes in the economy pushed the subject ahead to lock in more favorable interest rates.

"It's been moved up a little bit. It approves the financing, issuance of the bonds, the payment of TIF to pay the bonds," Taylor said. "It also indicates that if TIF bonds are not sufficient, that local income tax revenues would be used to back this up."

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Rokita: Protection needed for free republic

Indiana AG is featured speaker at GOP dinner

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A free republic requires continuous and diligent protection.

That was the message Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita shared Tuesday at the annual Montgomery County Republican Lincoln Day Dinner at the Crawfordsville Country Club.

Rokita opened his remarks by asking the near-capacity crowd why they were there.

"I think we are here because



Rokita

this particular year our liberties are under attack, and that's not a throw away line, I mean that quite literally. You know the old frog in the pot analogy, you don't know you're a frog and you're in this pot of water and you don't know the water is getting hotter and hotter because it happens over time, so you don't wake up to it. Then all of a sudden it's too late and you realize you're a frog and you're in a hot pot of water and it's about ready to boil, but you can't jump out of it because you're paralyzed.

Is that where we are? ... The fact that you are here tonight, and you're awake, the water isn't boiling yet, but it's certainly getting hotter."

Rokita said many issues facing the country today, he saw coming while serving in Congress.

He spoke of his opposition to teaching young children about critical race theory and transgender issues. He is a proponent of teaching American exceptionalism.

"American exceptionalism is real, it's not a fairytale or embellished, it is a real thing," he said. "It does not mean that we are better, or we think we are better ... it doesn't mean we think we are better than other countries ... It means

we are unique. And why are we unique? We are unique because for the first time in the history of the world did the best ideas for self-governance of man ever come together at the same time in the same place and has manifested into our Constitution. That is an historical fact, and we are unique to the world, and that is what American exceptionalism is."

He added that what the Founding Fathers created was radical at that time.

"We flipped the order, which had been from the king to the people, to we the people will be in charge for once and the government will be subject to

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SPORTS

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Area athletes earn IBCA Academic All-State honors

Journal Review

The Indiana Basketball Coaches Association has released its 2022 Academic All-State selections with a total of 40 boys and 42 girls being named to the first team while an additional 378 boys and 452 more girls receiving honorable mention All-State.

ic prowess and athletic prowess both are considered in the selections. Items such as grade-point average and academic class rank are considered along with athletic performance in areas such as points per game, rebounds per game and assists per game. In most years, college board scores also are considered.

letics are not separate entities," IBCA Director Steve Witty said. "Rather, in many cases, a player's success in the classroom directly contributes to his or her success on the floor."

IBCA-member head coaches from schools across the state may nominate their senior student-athletes who meet criteria that include a 3.5 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale and a class rank in the upper 25 percent of one's class.

On the girls side a total of seven area athletes received honorable mentions. Belle Miller and Hanna Nichols from Southmont, Jerzi Hershberger and Larissa Bowers from Fountain Central, and Hadley Broadwater, Katie Rice and Madi Welch from North Montgomery all received honorable mention for their work in the classroom and on the court.

for the success. Athenians Ian Hensley, Alex Kellerman and Gavin Kenny were named to the honorable mention team. Also included on the honorable mention team are Seth Martin, Jared McCarthy and Carter Merryman for Fountain Central and Benjamin Pietsch and Treyce Pittman from North Montgomery. Rounding out the list on the honorable mention team was Southmont's Logan Oppy.



Photo Provided

The Southmont Junior High wrestling team won the county title Tuesday by defeating both Crawfordsville and North Montgomery.

Mountie grapplers win county title

Journal Review

LINDEN — The Southmont Junior High wrestling team is carrying on the success of the high school squad. They traveled Tuesday to North Montgomery Middle School for the county meet and walked away with the county title, defeating North Montgomery 55-49 and Crawfordsville 60-38.

The Mounties also had seven individual champions. Lukas Scott (75 lbs), Matthew Emerson (80), Arion Musick (85), Anthony Badillo (138), Phisher Benge (145), Caylum Wills (175) and Tyler Walls (195) all placed first at the meet.

Southmont will now prepare for the junior high conference championships which will take place at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Southmont High School.

Lawmakers approve deal on multiyear income tax cut

Tom Davies
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana's individual income tax rate would be gradually cut over the next seven years under a Republican-driven plan approved by legislators early Wednesday. The bill would cut the state's current income tax rate of 3.23% to 2.9% in small steps until its planned full implementation in 2029 but not include some business tax cuts that faced resistance from Republican senators. House members voted 82-17 and senators 50-0 in favor of the tax cut pack-

age that was the major remaining issue as the Republican-dominated Legislature adjourned this year's session about 12:30 a.m. House Republicans had pushed the tax cut plan as the state saw big jumps in collections over the past year, fueled by federal COVID-19 relief funding. GOP Gov. Eric Holcomb joined Senate Republican leaders in being hesitant to support major tax cuts because of worries about inflation and a possible economic slowdown. But Holcomb changed course last week, saying he believed the state could afford tax cuts because of continued

strong revenues. The seven-year implementation of what amounts to a 10% income tax rate cut spreads out both the impact on state revenues and the savings to taxpayers. The plan would reduce state revenue by about \$950 million a year when fully implemented. The plan would cut the tax rate to 3.15% for 2023, which would amount to a \$40 savings for those with \$50,000 in taxable income. The tax rate would then be cut further in 2025, 2027 and 2029, until reaching a total annual reduction of \$165 when fully implemented. Those tax cuts, however, won't be automatic.

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Asked if using local income tax (LIT) revenues were likely, Taylor cast doubt they would be used at all. Pledging the use of LIT funds as a backup to TIF revenue, instead, makes the bonds more marketable. "We believe that TIF revenue is sufficient to pay the bonds, and these backups are just that," Taylor said. "Really,

Tempur is paying for all of this. In and of itself ... their taxes will pay for all these projects." The board approved Ordinance 2022-1, Ordinance 2022-2 and Resolution 2022-4, all relating to the aforementioned financing. The next council meeting is set for 9 a.m. April 12 at the new Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row. In other business, the

council:
• Opened the March council meeting with a prayer for Ukraine from Councilman Mark Smith.
• Approved miscellaneous claims, including: \$882 for Taylor, Chadd, Minnette, Schneider & Clutter law firm for services rendered; \$5,000 for the EMS study performed by Ritter Strategic Services; and \$140 for 2022 Indiana Association of County Council dues.

Apple, MLB announce Friday Night Baseball package

Associated Press

CUPERTINO, Calif. — Apple will enter the live sports coverage arena with "Friday Night Baseball."

Apple and Major League Baseball announced Tuesday that Apple TV+ will carry a weekly doubleheader on Friday nights in eight countries when the regular season begins. Games will initially be available without the need for an Apple TV+ subscription.

The games will be exclusively on Apple TV+ and will not be available on teams' regional sports networks. MLB has been under a work stoppage since owners locked out players at the end of the collective bargaining agreement. At 97 days, it is the second-longest work stoppage in baseball history.

The broadcasts on Apple TV+ will include pregame and postgame shows and will not be subject to local broad-

cast blackout restrictions. They will be produced by MLB Network. The agreement also includes the "MLB Big Inning" weekday show for fans in the US as well as a livestream channel for those watching in the US and Canada. MLB has been exploring selling a weeknight package of games with ESPN reducing its coverage of the regular season to 30 games, mostly on Sunday nights. Turner Sports will have games on Tuesday nights under a new rights deal that begins this season. Apple and MLB have been closely aligned for years. MLB At Bat was one of the first apps to go live on the Apple app store in 2008. The deal also comes as Apple is looking to expand to other leagues. The company has been pursuing streaming of NFL games when the league's "Sunday Ticket" expires at the end of the upcoming season.

CITY

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"I'm not going to say we're totally putting it behind us, because we're not. But it's a manageable thing now," Barton said. "(Executive powers) basically circumvents a lot of the processes, the checks and balances that are in place, and I wanted to be very careful with that. "But I'm excited to get that out of the way. Now

that's not hanging over us, and we can operate as a normal city." In other business, the board:
• Approved a request by Roger Azar to temporarily close an alleyway in the 200 block of East Main Street as he works on one of the adjacent buildings. The alley will be blocked off with barricades from March 27 until about April 10.
• Approved a request by Dale Petrie to place a

dumpster on West Main Street for approximately two weeks.
• Approved an agreement with VS Engineering for a wetland delineation study in the Crawfordsville Commerce Park.
• Approved a work order request from Code Enforcement Officer Barry Lewis to remove trash from a residence located at 802 W. Market St.

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Marriage reeling after family's horrific loss

DEAR ABBY: Our house burned down a year ago, and we lost everything. My husband, "Jeff," tried desperately to get to our 2-year-old daughter, but she perished in the fire. I managed to get our 3-year-old son out while he was trying to save our daughter. Jeff ended up in a burn unit on a ventilator for nine days because he burned his lungs. When he was released from the hospital, things got worse.

We lived with my mom and step-dad for a bit until we found a place, but as soon as Jeff got home, he started hitting me and calling me a cheating slut. We have been together 20 years, and I have been faithful. If I go to the store or to run errands, he gets mad at me for being gone a little too long. If I try to explain what held me up, it's automatically because I'm cheating, but Jeff feels he can leave and be gone for hours, and it's OK for him.

I love him, but I can't take it anymore. When our son acts out and starts being mean to me, Jeff tells him to respect me, but I think to myself, "How can you tell him to respect me when you don't?" Abby, please help me. — SO LOST IN THE EAST

DEAR SO LOST: The fire and tragic death of your daughter has done more damage to your husband than sear his lungs. It has also taken an emotional toll. It is important that you no longer allow him to take out his anger and frustration with himself on you.

If you have any power at all in your relationship, insist he seek help from a licensed mental health professional. If he refuses, you cannot remain married to him because his physical and emotional abuse may continue to escalate, and seeing it will affect your son.

Have an escape plan in place before you confront him. A safe way to formulate one would be to contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline. The toll-free number is 800-799-7233 and the website is

thehotline.org. Do it NOW.

DEAR ABBY: My high school friend returns to our hometown once or twice a year. Her last several visits were exhausting. She talked about herself for hours without asking one question about my life. She objectifies men and calls people weak for expressing their emotions.

Our friendship has been a long one. I went to her wedding and did the flowers for her dad's funeral. But the more I understand myself, the more I see how toxic she is for me. I have reached the hard realization that I no longer want to be around her. I don't like who she is or how she makes me feel.

I would like us to simply drift apart, but she can be a bully. When I have tried to be unavailable, she has bullied me into seeing her anyway. My partner says I need to break up with her, but I don't want to hurt her or have a confrontation. How can I gracefully exit this relationship? — STRESSED IN THE WEST

DEAR STRESSED: There may not be a graceful way to exit from a relationship with a bully. Ask yourself which would be worse: telling her exactly what you have written to me, or allowing yourself to be steamrolled into another exhausting and frustrating encounter with her. Once you have the answer to that question, you will know exactly what to do, which may start with blocking her number.

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DEAR ABBY



CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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V G M E R Y O N V K G T V E H E Y E F S F G I R X N
F U N L G O Y C R H N F F N O K Y R M N . . . T G F
D W V F F R X N B O G I E F." — M R O O E N
W T C N O L G G C

Previous Solution: "When Meat Loaf died Louie Anderson was like, 'What's the point of living?' I loved them both." — Comedian Jeff Ross
TODAY'S CLUE: $r \text{ equals } d$

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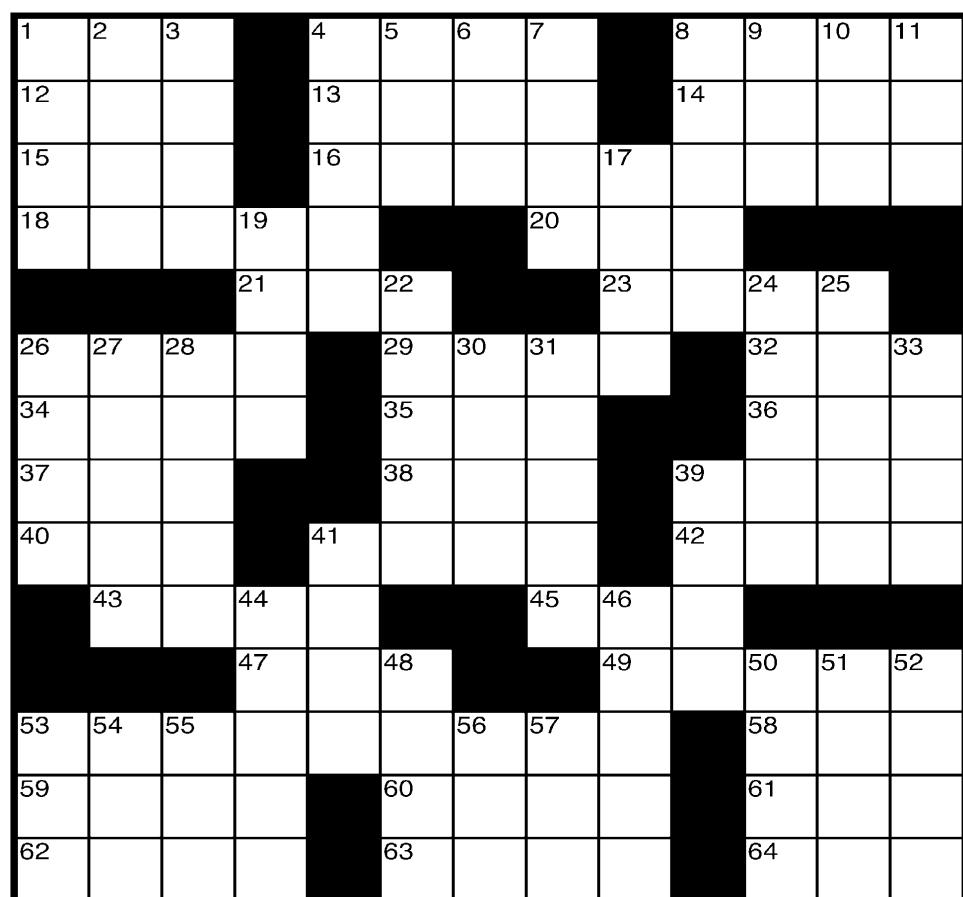
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 20 — Perce tribe
 21 LummoX
 23 Part of SAT
 26 Mashed potato serving
 29 Domed recess
 32 Use a charge card
 34 Add some brandy
 35 Bleat
 36 Robin's beak
 37 Banjo kin
 38 Rights movement word
 39 First name in cheese-cake
 40 Drop — line
 41 Russo or Magritte
- 42 Monsieur's airport**
43 Agitated state
45 Pierre's monarch
47 Give it the gas
49 Roman naturalist
53 Cajun state
58 Prefix for classic
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60 Army no-show
61 Flat-needled tree
62 Express contempt
63 Ankle sites
64 Bullfight yell
- DOWN**
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 6 Skirt bottom
 7 Pork cut
 8 Shiny coating

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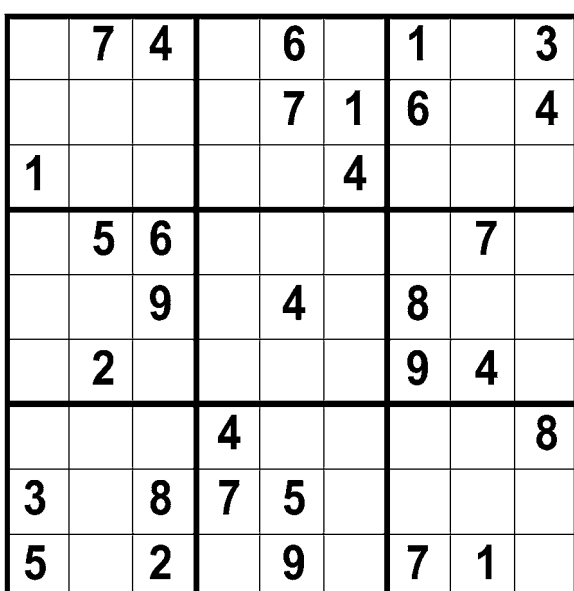


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19 Go at an easy gait
22 Old tale
24 Bat's navigational system
25 Use a baton
26 Morose
27 Water-ski locales
28 Bounding main
30 Pang or ache
31 It may be rattled
- 33 Auction site**
39 Muddy up
41 Motorist nos.
44 Type of coffee
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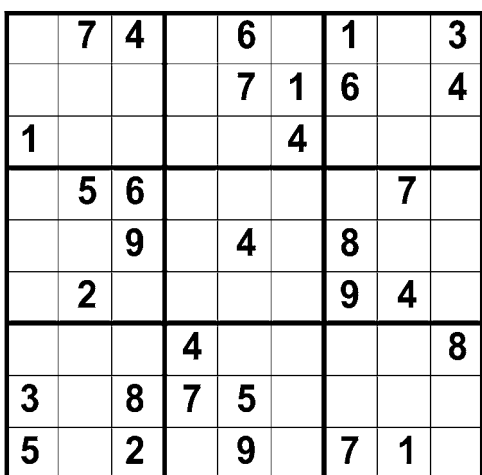


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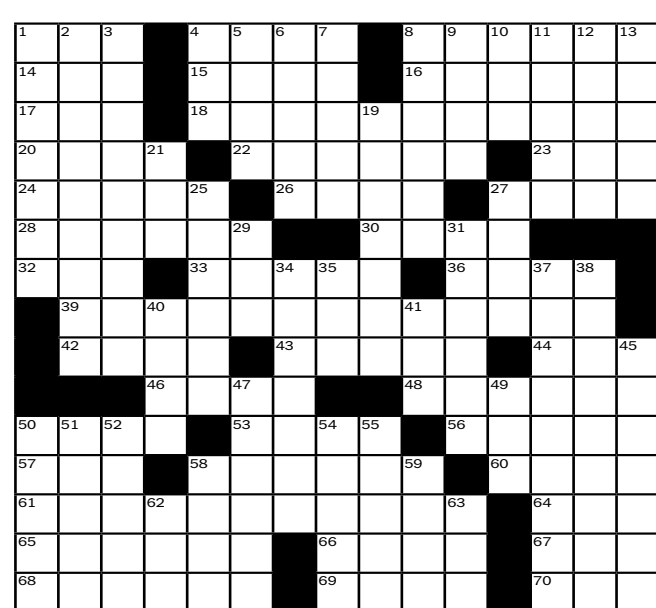
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0203

- ACROSS**
 1 Aid in woodworking
 4 Having excessive pride
 8 Neighbor of Francia
 14 Chinese "way"
 15 Primo
 16 Where a sleeping bag may be found
 17 Spokeswoman in Progressive insurance ads
 18 Warm coals
 20 Shakespearean fool
 22 Pop singer Jason
 23 4G ___ (phone norm)
 24 Springs (from)
 26 Arnaz of 1950s comedy
 27 Sunbeams
- 28 Hurried home, in a way**
30 Beverage brand whose name means "fresh" in Hindi
32 Go for bronze?
33 Walls in a cinema
36 Squeaks (by)
39 Key lime
42 Over again
43 Movie maker Miyazaki
44 Homophone of a synonym for "obey"
46 Big Board org.
48 Skunk marking
50 1942 romance movie heroine
53 Preceder of Romeo or Bravo
56 Whoop-de-do
57 "Kidding!"
- 58 "Good enough"**
60 Paper view?
61 Proofreader's reminder ... or some advice for finishing here?
64 Agcy. making lax regs
65 One who makes bail, perhaps
66 Buggy app version, maybe
67 Drink suffix
68 Acquiesce
69 Primer dog
70 Org. Edward Snowden once worked for



- DOWN**
 1 Before knowing more
 2 One for whom libel is a major issue
 3 Magnifies, in a way
 4 Hurl, say
 5 Kind of ring or music
 6 Nonunion?
 7 Sci-fi or romance
 8 And so on
 9 Dry, as a vino
 10 Afg. neighbor
 11 Express service since 2000
 12 Harebrained
 13 Church areas
- 19 Provide a good reason for**
21 King or queen
25 Fibrous
27 IV device found in many homes nowadays
29 Grandma, in Cambridge
31 Beginning of an ordered sequence
34 Game whose board is an 8x8 grid
- 35 Big bygone bird**
37 Addis Ababa denizen
38 Goal keepers' kin
40 Suvari of "American Pie"
41 Profs' aides
45 Some of Jordan's border
47 Companions of Dionysus
49 Offspring of Kanga
- 50 Quechua speakers**
51 "___ Doone"
52 Cheap cigar
54 Messes up
55 "Mad Men" worker, in brief
58 "Hmm ..."
59 Prussia's ___ von Bismarck
62 Foxy
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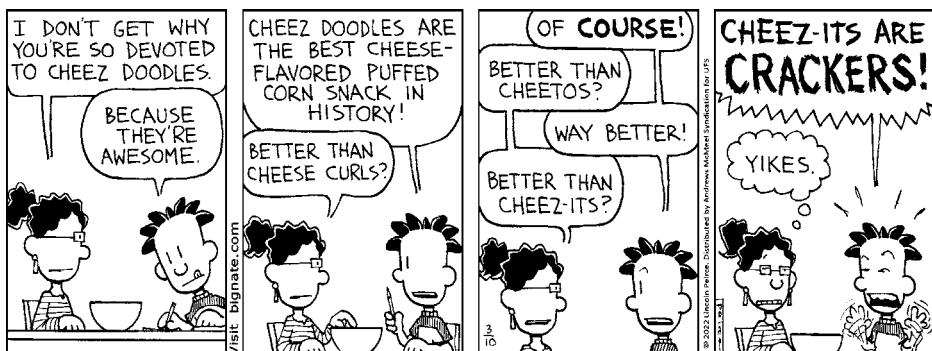
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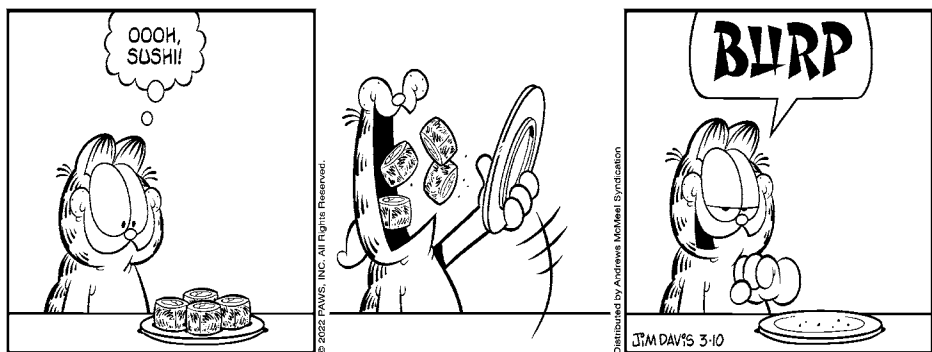
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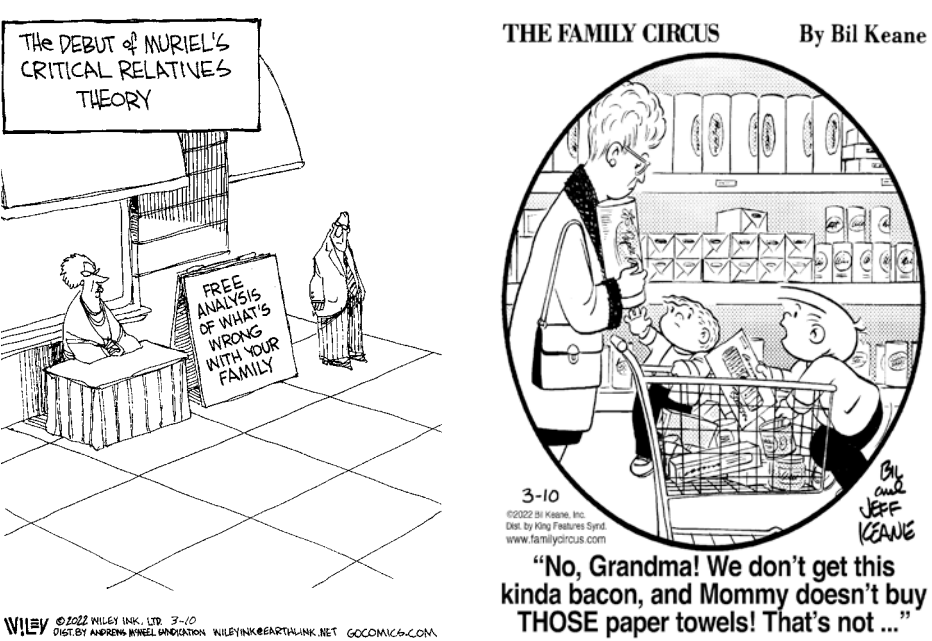
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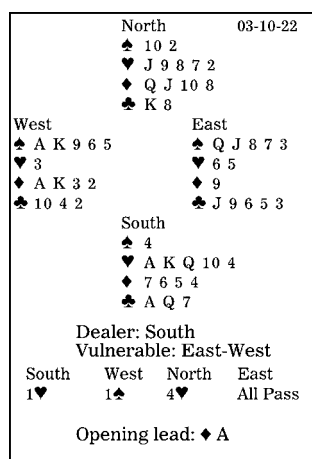


BRIDGE Do you dive or stay on dry land?

Phillip Alder

Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote, "Be not the slave of your own past. Plunge into the sublime seas, dive deep and swim far, so you shall come back with self-respect, with new power, with an advanced experience that shall explain and overlook the old." At the bridge table, though, we must not overlook the old — our experience of what works and what doesn't — but even that doesn't always help. Look at the East hand in the diagram. Only your side is vulnerable. South opens one heart, your partner overcalls one spade, and North jumps to four hearts. Do you plunge into the deep sea by bidding four spades, or do you stay right where you are?

There is no definite answer. Sometimes pass will be best; at other times, bidding will win. My instinct is to bid four spades, getting to the 10-trick level with a 10-card fit. But if we are doubled and go down two, that will be more costly than four hearts made. Also, maybe both games are going down. Here, against four hearts,



West will probably start with two high diamonds and the diamond three, giving East a ruff and sending a suit-preference signal for spades. East, though, cannot be sure that South isn't hiding the two. However, given West's overcall, East is likely to get it right, and another diamond ruff will take the contract down two. Note that four spades goes down one, West losing one heart and three clubs. At Bridge Base Online, 11 pairs made four hearts, two went down, two failed in four spades and one in five spades.

CHARTING THE STARS Eugenia Last

Thursday, March 10, 2022 Dedication, loyalty and responsibility for your accomplishments and happiness will ensure you reach your target. Embrace uncertainty as a chance to begin again or to replace what's no longer working for you with something new and exciting.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Be a good listener and take responsibility for your actions and promises. It's time to pare things down and to streamline.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Being well-informed will help you take control of whatever situation you encounter. Don't let someone's uncertainty leave you in a quandary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Work to stay focused on your goals. Take the high road, regardless of what others do. Change only what's necessary and stick to a budget you can afford.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Have a plan and budget in place, and be willing to do the work yourself. Walk away from temptation, ludicrous schemes and pushy people.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Know what you want before getting into a discussion with someone who doesn't share your opinion or wants to discourage you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Emotional situations will surface when dealing with shared responsibilities or finances. Take the initiative to put a plan in place.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Share only what's necessary. If you give someone too much personal information, they will use it against you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Change your surroundings to accommodate what you want to pursue. Hard work will bring the rewards you desire.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Put your ideas to good use. Stop dreaming and start doing. A change will trigger insight into what you need to do to reach your goal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You'll face an uphill battle if you let someone manipulate you emotionally. Concentrate on what makes sense and will bring you the highest returns.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Rethink your strategy, revisit the past and use your experience to guide you in the right direction.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — You know what's best for you, so do what must be done and don't look back. Put your heart and soul into your home and family, and build a life that brings you joy.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

PAOER, NUDOM, HOCCUR, HORDSU. Includes a grid for the word 'BUY' and a reference to yesterday's answer.

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

A cartoon illustration of a man pointing to a board with numbers and a woman asking 'Will you do that to our grades?'. Includes a math problem and a reference to the Jumble game.

BulletinBoard

- FISH Linen Closet — 9-11 a.m. today, First Baptist Church, 1905 Lebanon Road, Crawfordsville.
- New Ross Town Board — 6:30 p.m. today, town hall, 105 W. State St., New Ross.
- Chambers. Special clarinet music by Gary Ketchum. Child care provided. Free-will offering accepted.
- Monday, Crawfordsville District Public Library, 205 S. Washington St., for lunch, meeting at 12:30 p.m.
- Crawfordsville Plan Commission — Will not meet March 15 due to a lack of an agenda. Next meeting is 5 p.m. April 19, council chambers, City Building, 300 E. Pike St.
- Crawfordsville Human Rights Commission — Will not meet March 15. The next meeting will be 6:30 p.m. April 19, council chambers, City Building, 300 E. Pike St.
- Celebrate Redemption — 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Rock Point Church, 429 W. C.R. 150S, Crawfordsville. Call 765-362-5494 or visit www.celebraterecoveryindiana.org. Light meal served at 6 p.m.
- Lake Holiday Property Owners Association — 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lake Holiday Clubhouse.
- Crawfordsville Board of Public Works & Safety — 10 a.m. Wednesday, council chambers, City Building, 300 E. Pike St.
- Rotary Club — Noon Wednesday, Masonic Cornerstone Event Center, downtown Crawfordsville. Lunch is \$10. Guests welcome.
- Crawfordsville Kiwanis — 11:45 a.m. today, Crawfordsville District Public Library, 205 S. Washington St. Visitors welcome.
- Grace & Mercy Ministries Food Bank — 1-3 p.m. today and Friday at the church, 257 Oak Hill Road.
- FISH Food Pantry — 3-5 p.m. today and Friday, St. Bernard Catholic Church, 1306 E. Main St.
- T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) — 3-3:30 p.m. today, Crawfordsville Parks and Rec, 922 E. South Blvd., for weigh-in. Meeting is 3:30-4:30 p.m. First meeting is free.
- Crawfordsville District Public Library Board — 4 p.m. today, conference room, library, 205 S. Washington St.
- Crawfordsville School Board — 6 p.m. today, Crawfordsville Middle School, 705 Wallace Ave.
- Fountain County Genealogy Society — 6:15 p.m. Thursday, d'Arlier Cultural Center, 405 N. Mill St., Veedersburg. Visitors welcome.
- New Ross Town Board — 6:30 p.m. today, administrative office, 744 E. U.S. 136, Veedersburg. A work session is planned for 5:30 p.m.
- V.F.W. — 7 p.m. Thursday, Post 1431, 117 N. Water St.
- PALGROUP/Parents (and Family) of Addicted Loved Ones — 7:30 p.m. today, Recovery Rec Center, 1300 Ladoga Road. Call Lisa Harlos at 765-918-0836.
- West Central Regional Community Corrections Advisory Board — 11:30 a.m. Friday, 101 N. Main St., Veedersburg.
- Men's Lenten Breakfast Series — 8 a.m. for breakfast and 8:30 a.m. for message Saturday, Harvest Fellowship. Speaker is Dr. Al Long. Music by Harvest Praise Team.
- Women's Lenten Breakfast Series — 8 a.m. for breakfast and 8:30-9:45 a.m. for program Saturday, Browns Valley Christian Church, 9011 S. State Road 47. Guest speaker is the Rev. Nate
- Ladoga Town Council — 9 a.m. Saturday, town hall, 121 E. Main St., Ladoga.
- Friends of the Library Book Sale — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Crawfordsville District Public Library, 205 S. Washington St.
- Crawfordsville Adult Resource Academy — Make 2022 all about you! Start the new year with free adult ed classes. Call 765-362-2690 or register online at www.crawfordsvilleadulted.org.
- Montgomery County Commissioners — 8 a.m. Monday, courthouse, 100 E. Main St.
- Fountain County Council — 9 a.m. Monday, courthouse, 301 Fourth St., Covington.
- FISH Clothing Closet — 10 a.m. to noon Monday and 3-5 p.m. Wednesday, Wabash Presbyterian Church, Crawfordsville. Clothing donations accepted during these hours.
- Montgomery County Retired Teachers Association — Noon
- South C.R. 200W and West C.R. 150S — 9:06 p.m. Chad Courtland Owens, 47, Crawfordsville, was arrested on a warrant for two counts of operating a vehicle in violation of a restricted license, possessing drug paraphernalia, resisting law enforcement, carrying a handgun without a license, possession of methamphetamine, possession of cocaine or narcotic drug and possession of a schedule I-IV controlled substance — 11:21 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY Alexander Mason, 26, Crawfordsville, was arrested on charges of probation violation — 1:30 a.m.
- Crawfordsville Fire/EMS Department TUESDAY Medical call in the 1300 block of West Main Street — 1:12 a.m. Medical call in the 6400 block of South C.R. 550E, New Ross — 6:50 a.m. Medical call in the 1300 block of Lane Avenue — 8:15 a.m. Medical call in the 200 block of West Main Street, Ladoga — 9:01 a.m. Fire at 100 E. North St. — 11:17 a.m. Fire alarm at 201 E. Jefferson St. — 1:51 p.m. Medical call in the 100 block of West Main Street — 4:14 p.m. Medical call in the 1800 block of South Leland Drive — 5:24 p.m. Medical call in the 10000 block of South C.R. 750W, Waveland — 6:54 p.m. Medical call in the 1200 block of East Main Street — 7:32 p.m. Fire at 908 North Drive — 7:44 p.m.

LocalRecord

- Crawfordsville Police Department TUESDAY Juvenile complaint in the 1300 block of South Elm Street — 9:32 a.m. Property damage crash at 1629 Eastway Drive — 10:32 a.m. Juvenile complaint in the 1500 block of South U.S. 231 — 12:28 p.m. Domestic disturbance in the 1600 block of East Elmore Street — 4:12 p.m.
- Property damage crash at West Wabash Avenue and Union Street — 8:03 p.m. Warrant served in the 1200 block of Danville Avenue — 8:43 p.m.
- Montgomery County Sheriff's Office TUESDAY Jermaine Marquise Johnson, 19, Crawfordsville, was arrested on a warrant for invasion of privacy, battery against a public safety officer
- and resisting law enforcement — 3:52 p.m. Drew Hoffa, 33, Crawfordsville, was arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and dealing — 5:49 p.m. Domestic disturbance in the 200 block of East Main Street, Ladoga — 6:31 p.m. Warrant served in the 2600 block of West Winston Drive — 6:43 p.m. Warrant served in the 2300 block of West Winslow Drive — 8:49 p.m. Property damage crash at
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PUBLIC NOTICES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A RE-ZONE OF REAL PROPERTY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY
The Montgomery County Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, MARCH 23RD, 2022, at 4:00 pm to consider a re-zone from Commercial to Residential of a property in Montgomery County. The meeting will be held in room 103 of the Montgomery County Courthouse located at 100 E MAIN ST, CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN 47933.
Petitioner: Christopher & Debra Stokes
Purpose of Request:
A request to re-zone a 2 acre parcel of real property from Commercial to Residential for the purpose of a new Single Family Dwelling lot.
Location: 1020 E ELM ST, Ladoga, IN
Parcel ID's: 54-16-17-300-019.008-007
Citizens appearing at the public hearing will have an opportunity to provide comments concerning the proposed re-zone. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend. The Montgomery County Plan Commission may continue the hearing from time to time as may be found necessary. Citizens may file written comments or objections with Montgomery County Building/ Zoning Administration ATTN: Marc Bonwell, 110 West South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 or by email at (marc.bonwell@montgomerycounty.in.gov) prior to the public hearing. All such written objections will be considered by the Plan Commission. A copy of the proposed re-zone is on file and may be examined at the Montgomery County Building and Zoning Administration office at 110 West South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (765-364-6490), office hours are 8:00-4:30 weekdays except holidays.
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if anyone intending to attend the public hearing needs reasonable accommodation, please contact the Montgomery County Commissioners Office, 110 W South Blvd, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, 765-361-2623.
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Marc Bonwell
Building/Zoning Administrator
Montgomery County, IN hspaxlp 03/10

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Petitioner: RICHARD EWOLDT
Purpose of Request:
A request to re-zone a 2 acre parcel of real property from Agricultural to Residential for the purpose of a new Single Family Dwelling
Location: 1600 S Block of 325 W
Parcel ID's: 54-11-10-700-018.017-025
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Lawmakers approve repealing gun permit requirement

Casey Smith
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Republican lawmakers pushed through a bill that would repeal Indiana's requirement for a permit to carry a handgun in public on Tuesday, further loosening the state's firearms laws despite public opposition from the state police superintendent and some major law enforcement organizations.

The House and Senate approved the repeal as Republican lawmakers revived it last week after conflict among GOP senators had temporarily sidelined the issue.

Senators approved the bill 30-20 after House members earlier voted 68-30 largely along party lines in what was among the final issues taken up as the Republican-dominated Legislature neared adjournment of this year's session.

Once the measure arrives at Gov. Eric Holcomb's desk, he will have seven days to sign or veto it — or it would then become law without his signature.

The Republican governor hasn't said whether he supports the concept of not requiring handgun permits, saying last week he would give the bill "careful thought."

The bill's provisions would allow anyone age 18 or older to carry a handgun in public except for reasons such as having a felony conviction, facing a restraining order from a court or having a dangerous mental illness. Supporters argue the permit requirement undermines Second Amendment protections by forcing law-abiding citizens to undergo police background checks that can take weeks.

Bill sponsor Rep. Ben Smaltz, a Republican from Auburn, said it was meant for the "lawful Hoosier" who hasn't done anything wrong and don't want to be fingerprinted to obtain a handgun permit.

Sen. Eric Koch, a Republican from Bedford who presented the bill in the Senate, said he considered the law enforcement community to be "divided on this issue." He also maintained that obtaining

a handgun permit will still be optional, and said he thinks that "most Hoosiers" will still follow that process.

"Criminals already carry firearms without regard for the law," Koch said. "Lawful carry simply puts the law-abiding on equal footing."

The repeal proposal easily passed the House in January but faced more skepticism in the Senate, where it stalled last month.

State Police Superintendent Doug Carter, joined by the state's Fraternal Order of Police, police chiefs association and county prosecutors association, strongly objected the proposal. They maintained the permit repeal would strip officers of a screening tool for quickly identifying dangerous people they encounter who shouldn't have guns.

Carter, an appointee of Republican Gov. Eric Holcomb, sharply criticized GOP lawmakers during a state Senate hearing on the bill, blaming "political posturing" for their pushing of the repeal, saying that if lawmakers "support this

bill, you will not be supporting us."

Carter, wearing his state police uniform, stood in the back of the Senate chamber as the bill was being debated. He told The Associated Press Tuesday that approval of the measure "does not support law enforcement — period." He added that lawmakers' comments on the Senate floor in support of the proposal were "disingenuous."

"I don't think (lawmakers) understand the magnitude of this," Carter said. "I tried to explain it ... this adds a layer of danger to every police officer."

Nine Republicans joined all 11 Democratic senators in voting against the bill. Those GOP senators were Eric Bassler of Washington; Vanetta Becker of Evansville; Liz Brown of Fort Wayne; Ed Charbonneau of Valparaiso; Michael Crider of Greenfield; Sue Glick of LaGrange; Chip Perfect of Lawrenceburg; Greg Walker of Columbus; and Kyle Walker of Indianapolis.

In response to complaints that obtaining a handgun per-

mit in Indiana takes too long, Brown suggested Tuesday that lawmakers instead try to "fix that process."

Glick added that "police officers have our respect, but they should have our protection," before she voted against the bill.

Indiana currently requires people to obtain a license to carry a loaded handgun outside their own homes, businesses and cars, although people can generally carry rifles and shotguns without a permit. Twenty-one other states allow residents to carry handguns without permits, which gun rights advocates call "constitutional carry," in reference to the Second Amendment.

Democratic House Leader Phil GiaQuinta of Fort Wayne argued that legislators should keep the handgun permit requirement in place as a sign of supporting law enforcement "to make their job safer, to make us safer."

Democrats in the Senate further criticized the repeal, calling it "dangerous" and "a bad judgment call."

<p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLAT AMENDMENT</p> <p>The Montgomery County Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, MARCH 23RD, 2022, at 4:00 pm to consider a Plat Amendment to the Hunters Glenn Phase II Subdivision. The meeting will be held in room 103 of the Montgomery County Courthouse at 100 E MAIN ST, CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN 47933.</p> <p>Petitioner: Deckard Surveying/ Ratcliff Homes Purpose of Request- Plat Amendment</p> <p>A request to amend the plat of the Hunters Glenn Phase II Subdivision was submitted by the Developer of the Subdivision, specifically to remove the connection road between Phase I and Phase II of Hunters Glenn.</p> <p>Citizens appearing at the public hearing will have an opportunity to provide comments concerning the proposed re-zone. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend. The Montgomery County Plan Commission may continue the hearing from time to time as may be found necessary. Citizens may file written comments or objections with Marc Bonwell, 110 West South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (marc.bonwell@montgomerycounty.in.gov) prior to the public hearing. All such written objections will be considered by the Plan Commission. A copy of the proposed amendment is on file and may be examined at the Montgomery County Building and Zoning Department office at 110 West South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (765-364-6490), office hours are 8:00-4:30 weekdays except holidays.</p> <p>In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if anyone intending to attend the public hearing needs reasonable accommodation, please contact the Montgomery County Commissioners Office, 110 W South Blvd, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, 765-361-2623.</p> <p>This notice dated March 6th, 2022 Marc Bonwell Building/Zoning Administrator Montgomery County, IN</p> <p style="text-align: right;">hspaxlp 03/10</p>	<p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER VARIANCE TO THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE</p> <p>Notice is hereby given the Montgomery County Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 23rd, 2022, at 10:00 am to consider a Variance of Development Standards of the Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance. The meeting will be held in Room 103 of the Montgomery County Courthouse, 100 East Main Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.</p> <p>The proposed Variance (ZV2204) to the development standard of lot size for a residential property, in 2.11 of the Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance Chapter 159 of Montgomery County Code. The request is for variance to the 1 acre lot size requirement reduced to .63 of an acre. The property is located in the 3850 S block of Ladoga Rd. Parcel # 54-10-22-300-005.007-025.</p> <p>Citizens appearing at the public hearing will have an opportunity to provide comments concerning the proposed variance. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend. The Board of Zoning Appeals may continue the hearing from time to time as may be found necessary. Citizens may file written comments or objections with Marc Bonwell, 110 West South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (marc.bonwell@montgomerycounty.in.gov) prior to the public hearing. All such written objections will be considered by the Board of Zoning Appeals. A copy of the proposed Variance is on file and may be examined at the Montgomery County Building and Zoning Department office at 110 West South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 (765-364-6490), office hours are 8:00-4:30 weekdays except holidays.</p> <p>In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if anyone intending to attend the public hearing needs reasonable accommodation, please contact the Montgomery County Commissioners Office, 110 W South Blvd, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, 765-361-2623.</p> <p>This notice dated March 6th, 2022 Marc Bonwell Building/Zoning Administrator Montgomery County, IN</p> <p style="text-align: right;">hspaxlp 03/10</p>	<p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p>	<p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICES</p>
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PREVIEW SHELF

Books fuel March madness

March is here, a quarter of the year is nearly gone by and my reading list has been growing rather than shrinking. I feel like every time I mark one title from my list, I'm simultaneously adding two more. I also find myself constantly rearranging my list, moving titles up and down depending on how I'm feeling ... usually caused by the emotions running off the last book I read. If the previous book was rather boring, I will look for something exciting and thrilling or if it was sad, I will look for something to perk me back up. However, there is one type of book that causes me to put my reading aside for a while and process more thoroughly what I've just been through. The books that really stir my emotions, heat me up, cause me to rant and rave to my family and friends about whatever it was I just read. The books that you can't get out of your head for days, weeks, years. The books that cause "madness" or a state of frenzied or chaotic activity.

You slam the book closed, you put down your e-reader or shut off the audiobook because you need a second. Your emotions are hot; you are in a state of shock. You are floored, fuming, flabbergasted, flummoxed, flustered and frustrated. Also, you are going to finish this book and you're going to talk about it, passionately, to everyone. So what are these books? Where can

you find them? CDPL has you covered.

"Dopesick" by Beth Macy (362.29 Mac) is a candid look into the opioid crisis in America and how the drug companies pushed the products that fueled it. "The Glass Castle" by Jeanette Walls (921 Walls, J.) follows the life of young Jeanette and her family as they struggle to survive a nomadic upbringing. We also have the DVD available starring Brie Larson and Naomi Watts (DVD FIC Gla).

A popular suggestion among the CDPL staff for an emotionally driven read was "The Hate u Give" by Angie Thomas (YA FIC Tho) also available on DVD (DVD FIC Hat). This title reflects what many young people are going through today dealing with race and police relations. It was an Eliot Rosewater winner in 2019-2020.

If you have your box of Kleenex handy you may want to check out "Good Dog" by Dan Gemeinhart (j FIC Gem) about a loyal companion who just can't leave his boy behind so heaven will have to wait. Or if you'd prefer tears of laughter I highly suggest "This Time Together" by Carol Burnett (921 Burnett, C.)

What books made your "madness" list? Which author stirs your emotions? Come check out some of our suggestions and tell us yours.

Christina Hunt is a library assistant in collection services at the Crawfordsville District Public Library.

Praying for Ukraine

AMISH COOK

GLORIA YODER



My heart is crushed for all the thousands suffering this very moment. Besides all the natural disasters, there's the horror and sadness of many innocent people's lives at stake and even ending as a result of others' negative intentions.

Our children were stunned as we explained the dilemma many children are facing with war in Ukraine at hand. Hosanna's bright hazel eyes grew wide with horror. Her dream is to go care for poor children (as she calls them), and give them a home. Jesse said he wants to go to them and bring them home and make many, many wooden buildings for them to live in. Seeing their ambition and pity makes me feel so helpless. I especially ache for the children and elderly in times like these when war breaks out.

Though I've never been to Ukraine or Russia, we've had various occasions when our youth went to Ukraine to help package and distribute seeds to those in need. During their six week stay, they put millions of vegetable seeds into small packets. At the end of their stay, they all joined in singing and sharing the good news of Jesus where natives had gathered. Each person then received free seed packets to help them during difficult times when funds were scarce. There was a mixture of a dozen different seeds, most of which were carrots, cabbage, onions, beets, and other veggies that store well for months. Each six week hitch proved to be a highlight to those who helped. Seldom did they know any of the other dozen youth who came from all over the United states. And now to think of the anguish these dear people are now facing. In a sense, it feels so hopeless.

So what can a lone housewife

do? I wonder what it would be like if it were happening to me? Then I imagine the comfort of having people pray for me.

OK, so why not pray? We have the absolute assurance that every single time we believe and pray the will of God to be done, it does make a difference. So in reality, our hands are not tied.

Four years ago, after the arrival of 16 month-old Hosanna, I've been encouraged to pray for children. Before we started taking foster classes, we began to pray for our future children. When Hosanna was placed into our home as a foster child, we did some quick calculations. Believe it or not, she was a newborn exactly when we began praying for our future children. During those months of stark plight, she was covered with prayers and I know every one of them made a difference. Surely, there were angels to minister to her when there was no one to come to her aid. Let's pray for all affected by the war and the thousands of little ones across the globe, crying with no one to really care for them.

Though I've never had the chance of going to Ukraine, I've had the opportunity helping package bar soap, which was sent overseas, including Ukraine. I have fond memories of being with the youth and helping package these white bars of soap which would be used for hygiene or washing clothes. Usually we packaged four

to five large bins of soap a night. If only I could follow those bars to see where they end up.

As thankful as I am for my home in The United States, I am much intrigued with the simplicity found in many other countries.

OK, here you go with a recipe from Ukraine, which my cousin brought back after six weeks spent there. This is a staple in many Ukrainian homes, as it contains many veggies they are able to raise and store them for an extended period of time.

Borsch

1 pound beef shank
4 cups onions, chopped
4 cups chopped celery
3 cups diced carrots
1-2 cups chopped cabbage
1 or 2 beets, cut into strips
1 small can tomato paste
1 tsp. vinegar
1 tsp. sugar
2 or 3 potatoes, diced
1 fresh tomato
1 garlic clove
2 bay leaves
Boil roast in a little water until done. Remove from pot and chop into small pieces. Save broth.

Pour several tablespoons oil in a skillet and saute onions, celery, and carrots. Pour sauteed vegetables into reserved broth. Add beef back to the broth and put into the chopped cabbage. Turn on low heat and simmer.

In a skillet place a little broth, tomato paste, and cut up beets. Cook until beets are tender. Add vinegar and sugar.

Pour beef mixture into pot, add the chunked potatoes, and bring to a boil, boil for 10-15 minutes or until potatoes are tender.

Cut up the tomatoes into tiny pieces and add 1/4 tsp. salt. Press garlic cloves and add into tomatoes, then pour into pot. Continue simmering 10-15 minutes. Add bay leaves and let set for up to an hour to blend flavor.

May serve with sour cream.

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CLUB NEWS

Flower Lovers Club

The Flower Lovers Club held its first meeting of 2022 at St. John's Church. President Karen Cook opened the meeting and gave a prayer.

February birthdays were recognized. They are Kim Ruggles, Paula

Furr and Trish Schwabe.

The hostesses, Paula Furr, Terri Trinkle, Diane Fairfield and Ruth Hallet, provided a wide variety of delicious refreshments. Roll call was are you ready for spring and gardening.

Lana Presslor gave the treasurer's report. New ideas for fundraising include coin jar and

sharing good news.

Jan Hook and Meribeth Kussmaul gave ideas for the downtown planters. The 2022 yearbook was reviewed. Sign

up sheets were passed around for May Brunch and 2023 Garden Walk.

The next meeting will be April 6 with a guest speaker on house plants.

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Long to speak as part of series

Dr. Al Long is the featured speaker March 12 in the 2022 Men's Lenten Breakfast Series. He will speak Saturday at Harvest Fellowship. Worship music provided by the Harvest

Praise Team.

Breakfast is served at 8 a.m. and the message begins at 8:30 a.m. This year's theme is "Men of Strength."

Long is Professor Emeritus at Indiana Wesleyan University as well as an author, motivational speaker, consultant and life-long leader. He has authored three books, "Alone in a Crowd," "They Called Him Joe" and "Leadership Tripod."

As a family man Long has made it his charge in life to give every opportunity and all the love possible to his wife, three sons, three daughters-in-laws, 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Taking that very same passion and drive, Long spent 30-plus years in leadership roles making sure that those he serves

all have the opportunity to learn and train fellow leaders and followers to be focused in every facet of their career.

It is this passion for positively impacting those he serves that keeps Long involved in leading and coaching leaders on a monthly basis for Greg Hubler Automotive Group as well as serving as a CASA volunteer and working with the local Churches in Mission.

He is a firm believer that all "knowledge gained is only valuable once used."

The remaining series schedule is as follows:

- March 19 at Grace & Mercy with Monte Thompson as speaker; and worship music provided by Grace & Mercy.
- March 26 at Yountsville with Andy Schindler as speaker; and worship music provided by Dan Hopkins.
- April 2 at Liberty Chapel with Mike Vauters as speaker; and worship music to be determined.
- April 9 at United Methodist Crawfordsville with David Long as speaker; and worship music provided by First United Methodist Church.

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