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HEADLINE

Agency bans unpaid medical bills from credit reports

Unpaid medical bills will no longer appear on credit reports, where they can block people from mortgages, car loans or small business loans, according to a final rule announced Tuesday by the Biden administration.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau rule will remove $49 billion in medical debt from the credit reports of more than 15 million Americans, according to the bureau, which means lenders will no longer be able to take that into consideration when deciding to issue a loan.

The change is estimated to raise the credit scores by an average of 20 points and could lead to 22,000 additional mortgages being approved every year, according to the bureau. Vice President Kamala Harris said in a statement announcing the rule that it would be "lifechanging" for millions of families.

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Indiana's high school graduation rate reached a record high with the Class of 2024, with 90.23% of Hoosier students graduated, according to a new report released by Indiana's Department of Education.

High school graduation rate hit record high in 2024

Data shows some students still struggling

Casey Smith
Indiana Capital Chronicle

Newly released data shows Indiana's high school graduation rate reached a record high with the Class of 2024, but minority and low-income students across the state continue to lag behind their peers.

In the most recent 2024 class, 90.23% of Hoosier students graduated, according to a report released by Indiana's Department of Education last week. IDOE officials said it's the highest graduation rate since the state began publishing data.

The increase builds upon a rebound from the decade-low high school graduation rate in 2022, when just 86.52% of students earned diplomas.

The graduation rate for the Class of 2024 marked a slight increase — about 1% — over the Class of 2023. The previous rate peak of 90.06% was set in 2014, according to IDOE data

"Over the past year, we have celebrated a number of successes in K-12 education, and there is urgency to continue this positive momentum for Indiana students," Jenner said in a statement.

"As a state, we have seen literacy rates increase for the third consecutive year, chronic

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RATES FROM AREA SCHOOLS

Crawfordsville High School
Cohort Count - 160
Graduates -153
Non-Waiver Graduates - 150
Graduation Rate - 94.38%
Non-Waiver Graduation Rate - 92.5%

North Montgomery High School
Cohort Count - 116
Graduates -113
Non-Waiver Graduates - 112
Graduation Rate - 96.55%
Non-Waiver Graduation Rate - 95.69%

Southmont High School
Cohort Count - 113
Graduates -111
Non-Waiver Graduates - 111
Graduation Rate - 98.23%
Non-Waiver Graduation Rate - 98.23%

Fountain Central High School
Cohort Count - 73
Graduates - 67
Non-Waiver Graduates - 67
Graduation Rate - 90.41%
Non-Waiver Graduation Rate - 90.41%

Parke Heritage High School
Cohort Count - 92
Graduates - 92
Non-Waiver Graduates - 92
Graduation Rate - 100%
Non-Waiver Graduation Rate - 100%

Western Boone High School
Cohort Count - 117
Graduates -117
Non-Waiver Graduates - 116
Graduation Rate - 100%
Non-Waiver Graduation Rate - 99.15%

Indiana Department of Education

Festival royalty hopefuls to meet

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Interested individuals are invited to attend an informational meeting to learn more about the Strawberry Festival Queen and Junior Royalty program.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Feb. 5 in the Donnelly Room at the Crawfordsville District Public Library. It will provide an overview of the program, which is will be the 20th year for the queen and 18th year for the junior royalty, as well as requirements.

Junior Royalty contestants are not required to attend the meeting. Those interested in attending the meeting must email sfestqueen@gmail.com prior to the meeting to receive the required paperwork.

The Junior Royalty program is open to boys and girls ages 6-10 as of May 1 and is $25 to enter. The Strawberry Festival

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Pictured is the 2024 Strawberry Festival queen and court.

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Montgomery County Commissioners — 8 a.m. Wednesday, Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville.

Montgomery County Drainage Board — 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, County Government Center.

Crawfordsville Board of Public Works & Safety — 10 a.m. Wednesday, council chambers, City Building, 300 E. Pike St.

Montgomery County Board of Zoning Appeals — 11 a.m. Wednesday, County Government Center.

Montgomery County Plan Commission — 1 p.m. Wednesday, County Government Center.

Montgomery County Water and Sewer District — 3 p.m. Wednesday, County Government Center.

Crawfordsville Parks & Recreation Board — 4 p.m. Wednesday, council chambers, City Building, 300 E. Pike St.

Montgomery County Plan Commission — 4 p.m. Wednesday, County Government Center.

New Richmond Town Board — 6 p.m. Wednesday, New Richmond Fire Station, 215 S. Prairie St.

New Market Town Council — 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, town hall, 101 W. Main St.

Waynetown Town Council — 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, community room, 106 N. Vine St.

Alamo Town Board — 7 p.m. Wednesday, Ripley Township Fire Department.

Obituaries

Margaret F. Henley

May 30, 1934-Dec. 27, 2024

Margaret F. Henley, 90, passed away Friday, Dec. 27, 2024, at 1019 Belle's Place of Crawfordsville.

She was born on May 30, 1934, to Dawson Glenn and Dorothy Duncan in Vincennes, Indiana. Margaret married Roger Henley on Nov. 19, 1954, in Lafayette, spending 62 loving years together until his passing in 2016.

She was a member of the Marshall Federated Church, teaching Sunday School and active with the Bereavement Committee. Margaret was also a 50-year member of the Eastern Star. She enjoyed knitting, reading and tending to the flower gardens.

Margaret is survived by her children, Susan Berry and Philip (Jill) Henley; grandchildren, Adrienne, Scott, Kelly, Karen, Kim and Jacob; nine great-grandchildren; and10 great-great-grandchildren; and siblings, Edith (Dean) Rush and Jack Duncan.

She is predeceased by her parents; husband Roger; grandson Tim Berry; brother Carl Duncan; and sister Rose Mary Barragree.

At Margaret's request, a private family graveside service was held at Bethany Cemetery in Marshall, where she was laid to rest next to Roger.

Share memories and condolences at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

Richard Steven 'Dick' Clouser

Jan. 24, 1948-Jan. 5, 2025

Richard Steven "Dick" Clouser of Darlington passed away Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025, at home. He was 76.

Dick was a diesel mechanic and Tri-axle operator, working 25 years for Macy Inc. He retired in 2010. Recently he enjoyed helping the Cain family with planting, harvest and sharing his mechanical knowledge with the men that he loved like sons. Dick loved spending time with his family. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, taking care of the family farm that has been in the Clouser name since 1848. He enjoyed time in the woods running his chainsaw and operating his backhoe. He especially loved spending mornings at the Mini Mart, sharing his humorous bits of wisdom and his phone calls with his best friends, Ralph and Kenny. We must mention Wendy, the only dog he ever loved, although Miss Sky brings a close second.

Born Jan. 24, 1948, at Crawfordsville, he was the son of Francis and Julia Clouser. He graduated from Darlington High School, class of 1966. He married Sandra Maxwell on Aug. 20, 1965 at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Crawfordsville, where he was a life-long member since birth.

Surviving are wife Sandra Clouser; three daughters, Jennifer Clouser, Jackie Warren and Casey (Jeremy) Phillips; brother Dennis (Frances) Clouser; sister Mary Lester; sister-in-law Marj Clouser; brothers-in-law, Dennis and Jerry Maxwell; grandchildren, Nick (Brandy) Clouser, Jessica (Tommy) Morgan, Justin (Kelsey) Warren, Taylor (Toby) Pribble, Megan (Sam) Baggett, Kaley (Alex) Remley, Zach Leonard, Regan (Brady) Remley, Jaydelyn Phillips and Emrik Phillips; great-grandchildren, Jordan, Owen and Connor Morgan, Brookston Blackstone, Hunter Irelan, Beckett, Sawyer and Gentry Pribble, Holland and Callahan Baggett; and many wonderful nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by parents, Francis and Julia Clouser; son-in-law Tom Warren; and two brothers, Dave and Mike Clouser.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, 1306 E. Main St., Crawfordsville, with a Memorial Mass starting at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to either the Wounded Warrior Project or the Montgomery County Community Foundation to benefit the Tom Warren Memorial Fund.

Online condolences may be made at www.BurkhartFH.com.

ROYALTY

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Queen program is open to high school girls with a $45 entry fee. All contestants must reside or attend school full-time in Montgomery County.

The queen program offers girls the chance to learn and practice interview skills, as well as compete for scholarship funds.

At the informational meeting, program director, Jessica McClamroch, will provide an overview of the program, discuss the expectations and guidelines, and answer any questions.

The queen program is based on the belief that young individuals need to be empowered to develop their skills and pursue their dreams by learning to be their best self. The Scholarship Queen Program is an opportunity for young women to gain experience and build confidence. The program provides a safe and supportive environment for girls to explore their potential and develop their leadership and interview skills.

If you are interested in learning more about the Strawberry Festival Queen or Junior Royalty Program, email sfestqueen@gmail.com for more details.

Make sure to follow on Facebook at The Montgomery County Strawberry Festival Contest and on Instagram at the_strawberry_festival_queen to stay up to date with events and details.

Competition will take place at 7 p.m. April 19 in the Crawfordsville High School auditorium.

LocalRecord

Crawfordsville Police Department

Monday

• Breaking and entering in the 300 block of Poston Drive — 1:26 a.m.

• Public disturbance in the 2500 block of Lafayette Road — 4:51 a.m.

• Public disturbance in the 1700 block of South U.S. 231 — 1:05 p.m.

• Domestic disturbance in the 300 block of Binford Street — 8:28 p.m.

• Domestic disturbance in the 800 block of Tuttle Avenue — 10:31 p.m.

• Warrant served in the 500 block of Allen Street — 11:24 p.m.

Tuesday

• Santiago Hernandez-Estrada, 41, Crawfordsville, was arrested on charges of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person and operating a vehicle without a license — 12:32 a.m.

Montgomery County Sheriff's Office

Monday

• Property damage crash at 6722 N. State Road 47 — 5:33 a.m.

• Personal injury crash at the 32 mile-marker of westbound Interstate 74 — 6:59 a.m.

• Personal injury crash at 8286 W. Fairfield Lane, Waynetown — 3:44 p.m.

• Property damage crash at 5106 N. State Road 47, Darlington — 4:23 p.m.

• Michael Lee Jenkins, 35, Constantine, Michigan, was arrested on charges of nonsupport of dependent/child violations, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, possession of methamphetamine and contempt of court — 6:48 p.m.

• Austin Reed Tincher, 28, Crawfordsville, was arrested on a charge of probation violation — 7:51 p.m.

• Cyber sex crime reported in the 3200 block of East C.R. 300N — 9:35 p.m.

• Personal injury crash at the 28 mile-marker of eastbound Interstate 74 — 10:34 p.m.

• Teyler Michael Lowry, 25, Waynetown, was arrested on a charge of probation violation — 11:22 p.m.

Waynetown Town Marshal

Monday

• Property damage crash at North State Road 25 and West C.R. 650N, Waynetown — 10 a.m.

Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County

Monday

• Animal complaint in the 500 block of East Washington Street, New Richmond — 9:52 a.m.

• Animal complaint in the 300 block of Harrison Street — 1:52 p.m.

• Animal complaint in the 200 block of Woodlawn Place — 6:54 p.m.

Crawfordsville Fire/EMS Department

Monday

• Medical call in the 800 block of John Street — 12:05 a.m.

• Medical call in the 400 block of Meadow Avenue — 12:52 a.m.

• Medical call in the 300 block of Binford Street — 2:03 a.m.

• Medical call in the 500 block of South Grace Avenue — 2:52 a.m.

• Medical call in the 900 block of Sloan Street — 9:49 a.m.

• Medical call in the 200 block of East Jefferson Street — 10:09 a.m.

• Medical call in the 3000 block of West C.R. 150S — 10:56 a.m.

• Medical call in the 200 block of North Oak Street — 11:14 a.m.

• Medical call in the 300 block of North Pleasant Run — 2:53 p.m.

• Fire/gas alarm at 2601 Everett St. — 3:23 p.m.

• Medical call in the 800 block of Whitlock Avenue — 5:22 p.m.

• Medical call in the 2000 block of Indianapolis Road — 6:52 p.m.

• Medical call in the 1000 block of South Ben Hur Court — 9:29 p.m.

RATE

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absenteeism rates improve for the second year in a row, and today, the highest state graduation rate on record," she continued. "Together, we must continue to keep our foot on the gas pedal in 2025, ensuring we keep improving our education system in Indiana and increasing opportunities for students."

BY THE NUMBERS

State education leaders said the federal graduation rate for Indiana also increased for 2024 graduates to 88.67% from 87.52% in 2023, and up from 85.12% in 2022. The federal graduation rate is calculated differently due to differences between state and federal accountability equations and standards.

IDOE officials additionally noted a continued drop in the rate of students across the state who need a waiver to graduate.

The state's non-waiver graduation rate — the number of students who complete all their diploma requirements without needing a waiver — improved from 84.92% in 2023 to 87.53% in 2024.

Students who do not complete or pass some graduation requirements can still qualify for a diploma if they demonstrate knowledge or skill.

The waivers are intended to help students with special circumstances, including for those who transfer to a new school, or in cases where a student has attempted to pass competency tests at least three times.

Reducing the number of waivers used by Indiana high schoolers has been a focal point for state education and policy leaders.

A law adopted during the 2023 legislative session established new caps on the percentage of graduation waivers that can be counted toward a school's state and local graduation rate beginning with the 2024 graduation cohort.

Lawmakers set a 9% cap on the number of students who can graduate from a school with a waiver during the 2023-2024 school year. After that, the cap drops to 6% in the following academic year, and down to 3% for each school year after June 30, 2025.

New data also showed non-public school students performed slightly better than their peers in public schools.

Students in non-public Indiana schools graduated at a 92.3% rate while students in public schools graduated at a rate of 90.11%. Both rates are up compared to 2023.

Same as in the year prior, students at traditional public schools graduated at a higher rate in 2024 than those at charter schools. State data shows that 92.48% of traditional public school students graduated in the most recent cohort, compared to 58.6% in charter schools.

DISPARITIES REMAIN

Despite progress across all demographics, disparities persist statewide among racial, economic, and special education student groups, however.

Statewide, graduation rates increased by roughly 1.5 points for Black and Hispanic students, building on small gains in previous years. About 83.88% of Black students and 87.83% of Hispanic students graduated in 2024 — both below the statewide average. That's compared to 95.91% of Asian students and 91.89% of White students.

English learners and special education students had slightly better graduation rate improvements.

The English learner graduation rate jumped from 87.72% in 2023 to 89.48% in 2024. The rate for students receiving special education services additionally increased to 85.30% in 2024, up from 83.24% in 2023.

The graduation rate for those who receive free and reduced lunch — the nationally-recognized metric for calculating student poverty — increased from 88.74% in 2023 to 91.52% in 2024.

While that's still roughly 1.5 percentage points behind the rate for paid meal students, the gap between the two student groups is closing; the split was as high as 8.5 percentage points in 2022. That year, Indiana schools graduated only 83.7% of students who received free and reduced lunch, according to IDOE data.

The landmark graduation rate was announced just ahead of the 2025 session, during which state lawmakers are expected to revisit discussion and possible legislation to address Indiana's ongoing challenges around literacy, absenteeism and graduation requirements.

In December, Indiana's State Board of Education approved a high school diploma overhaul meant to boost Indiana's dismal college-going numbers and ensure that all Hoosier students — college-bound or not — graduate from high school with high-value, work-ready skills. Those changes will take effect with Indiana's Class of 2029, but schools can opt in earlier, if they choose.

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Sugar Creek Classic starts Friday

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The annual Sugar Creek Classic is set to begin Friday at Crawfordsville High School. Four Sagamore Athletic Conference rivals Crawfordsville, North Montgomery, Southmont and Western Boone will once again play for the coveted traveling canoe paddle.

Western Boone and North Montgomery will kickoff the tournament when they play the early game at 6 p.m. The Mounties and Athenians will play at approximately 7:30 p.m.

North Montgomery enters the tournament with a 3-6 record. The Stars are 2-7.

The Chargers have been led all season by senior Kelby Harwood who is averaging 20.2 points per game and 7.8 rebounds per game.

Senior Cameron Enlow is the only other Charger averaging in double figures with 10.3 PPG.

WeBo senior Gavin Hawkins is the stop scorer for the Stars. Hawkins is averaging 12.4 PPG. Sophomore Quin Westerfield is the only double-digit scorer for the Stars. Westerfield is averaging 11.4 per outing.

The Stars appear to have played the tougher schedule. Their opponents so far have accumulated a 47-35 record compared to North's opponents overall record of 32-49.

The Stars are averaging 49.7 PPG and the Chargers are averaging 49.6. Defensively the Stars are giving up 55.1 PPG and the Charger opponents are averaging 52.4 PPG.

Southmont enters the tournament with the most impressive record. The Mounties are 6-1.

The Mounties are averaging 67.7 PPG behind three seniors. Vince Reimondo is scoring 13 PPG, Evan Watson is scoring 10.1 PPG, and Aaron McMasters is scoring 9.4 PPG.

Southmont has other players that are contributing offensively. Freshman Caden Miller is scoring 9.1 PPG and Austin Foley is adding 8.7 PPG.

Foley is the leading rebounder for the Mounties at 6.7 per game.

Crawfordsville enters the tournament with a 2-6 record but the two wins are from their last two games after losing the first six games.

The Athenians are averaging 44 PPG and giving up 58.4 PPG.

Sophomore Jacob Lee leads Crawfordsville with 11.3 PPG. Junior Mason McCarty and freshman Johnovan Smith are scoring 8.9 and 8.5 PPG, respectively.

Smith is the leading rebounder at 5 per game followed by McCarty's 4.9. Lee is pulling down 4.5 RPG.

Southmont's opponents' record is 30-38 while the Crawfordsville opponents accumulative record is 38-37.

The consolation game will be 4 p.m. Saturday and the championship game is scheduled for 6 p.m.

The one-day boys junior varsity basketball Sugar Creek Classic will be played Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. at Southmont.

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South wrestlers win Invite

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FAIRFIELD — Southmont's wrestling team captured the Tri-Central Invitational on Saturday. The Mounties defeated six other teams to claim the crown.

Southmont coach Jamie Welliever said the youth on his squad made the difference that rsulted in a successful day.

"Our young kids really came through," Welliever said.

The Mounties had three wrestlers finish the day with 6-0 records. They were Lukas Scott (106), Arlon Musick (113), and Camden Laney (138).

Recording 5-1 records were Cooper Scott (120) and Max Musick (175).

Four Mounties finished with 4-2 records. They were Josh Elliott (144), Carlos Jimeniz (150), Paxton Gentry (157), and Tyler Davis (215).

Team resultes were:

Southmont 75, Alexandria 6

Southmont 43, Kokomo 32

Southmont 51, Shenandoah 27

Southmont 37, Marion 30

Southmont 54, Tri-Central 27

Southmont 54, Sheridan 23

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Steichen eager to move forward with Colts

Defensive coordinator won't be back

Associated Press

A determined and disappointed coach Shane Steichen walked into the Indianapolis Colts' complex Monday morning already knowing his fate.

He's returning for a third season, and general manager Chris Ballard is coming back, too.

The same can't be said for defensive coordinator Gus Bradley, who won't be retained. Steichen said in a statement Monday night that he thought it was time for a change.

Still to be determined is whether Steichen will make any other coaching changes. He knows another mediocre season, or worse, won't suffice, and it's his job to make sure next season is not a repeat of his first two with the Colts, who finished 8-9.

"We want to put a winning product on the field that our fans can be proud of," Steichen said about 13 hours after owner Jim Irsay announced that the coach and GM would return. "I can promise you this, I'm going to be relentless in my pursuit to get this thing going in the right direction."

Steichen's top priority will be to keep the development of 22-year-old quarterback Anthony Richardson on track.

Richardson orchestrated fourth-quarter road comebacks against the New York Jets and New England, capping the win over the Patriots by calling his own number on the decisive 2-point conversion with 12 seconds left.

But inexplicable moments and games proved costly for Richardson and the Colts.

Jonathan Taylor's apparent TD run at Denver that would have given the Colts a 20-7 lead in the third quarter was instead determined to be a fumble that resulted in a touchback because Taylor dropped the ball before crossing the goal line. Indy eventually lost 31-13, a defeat that helped extend its four-year playoff drought.

The Colts lost twice to Houston by a total of five points, lost yet again at Jacksonville and somehow managed to allow the New York Giants, the league's lowest-scoring team, to put up 45 points in a playoff-eliminating loss in Week 17.

"Since I've been a Colt, it was our worst year defensively," Pro Bowl defensive tackle DeForest Buckner said. "I felt like, at times, we were just a

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Alcoholic continues picking up the pieces

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were together for 11 years, married for six of them. I had an alcohol addiction for the last few years, which led to my being unfaithful. He never drank, so he had a hard time understanding my addiction problem. After I got a DUI, he finally left me.

Two weeks later, he was already in another relationship! We divorced a year later. I have spent the last 14 months changing my life. I have been sober this whole time, attended AA meetings and seen a psychotherapist as well as an addiction therapist. I have been devastated since my husband left. I have lost 20 pounds that I didn't need to lose, and I leave my house only to work. I haven't even entertained the idea of seeing or talking to another man.

My ex has been telling me off and on that he wants to try and work things out with me, which is something I want more than anything. I know I hurt him, and he's no longer the same person. I want to show him I'm different and we can be happy, but he won't fully commit to anything and just keeps hurting me. Should I continue to pursue this or try to find a way to move on? — NOW SOBER IN VIRGINIA

DEAR NOW SOBER: If your sobriety is important to you, you cannot cling to a person who "keeps hurting you." (I wish you had mentioned how he does this, but in the end, you must do what is good for YOU.) Did the way he treated you — or your perception of it — have something to do with your drinking and infidelity?

You stated that he says he wants to work things out. His skittishness may stem from the hurt he experienced because of what you put him through. If you decide to rekindle your relationship, do so only under certain conditions: He must end the relationship with the person he's involved with if they are still together, attend Al-Anon meetings so he can learn more about the disease of alcoholism and attend relationship counseling sessions with you.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 64-year-old gay man, originally from the Deep South, living in a large metropolitan area. I have been here for more than 30 years. My problem is, I am unable to keep my cool when talking with my aging parents. I have insisted several times that I do not wish to discuss politics, but my request is ignored by Mom especially because she refuses to acknowledge my sexual orientation. She sings the praises of the most anti-gay politicians with no regard for my feelings. When I try to gently change the subject, most times, she won't let it go.

I have reached the point that I no longer wish to speak to either of my parents. The hurtful things they have said break my heart. Should I follow my gut and cut them off, or continue to remain silent and endure the hurt? I know they won't change. — WOUNDED HEART IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR WOUNDED HEART: Silence helps no one. As you have discovered, it leads only to more of the same. Tell them the hurtful things they have said are heartbreaking. You have already made clear to your mother that you do not wish to discuss politics. This time, tell them that if they raise the subject again, it will be the end of the conversation and you will hang up. If they ignore you and do it again, follow through.

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NEA CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Period
4 Cake soaked in rum
8 Evergreens
12 To the — degree
13 Word of agreement
14 Surmounting
15 Dined
16 — -in-the-wool
17 "My Fair —"
18 Western state (Abbr.)
20 Mortar's mate
22 Before
23 Take legal action
24 Asserts
28 Poke
31 Ice mass at sea
32 Priest's vestment
34 Promissory note
36 Sailor
37 NSA cousin
38 Maladies
39 Quick kiss
42 Plant with prickles
44 "Death Becomes —"
46 — culpa
47 Cap
50 Writes
52 Farm structure
53 Valley
55 Container for beer
57 Of the ear
58 Alum
59 Greek letter
60 Nota —
61 Threat ender
62 Knock

DOWN

1 Evidence type
2 Director — Preminger
3 Consequently
4 Harass
5 Actress — Poehler
6 Traffic sound
7 Range in Chile
8 Waver
9 Type style (Abbr.)
10 Took the bus
11 Snoop
19 Ohio's lake
21 Have a late meal
24 Astern
25 Uproar
26 Name for a stranger
27 Cut
29 Cargo vessel (2 wds.)
30 Plaything
33 "Humbug!"
35 Put into play
38 Two words of understanding
40 Luck
41 Range of knowledge
43 Hamper
45 Chain of hills
47 Diminish
48 Emerald Isle
49 Actor James — Jones
51 Plant bristle
52 Go up and down
54 — Vegas
56 Opening

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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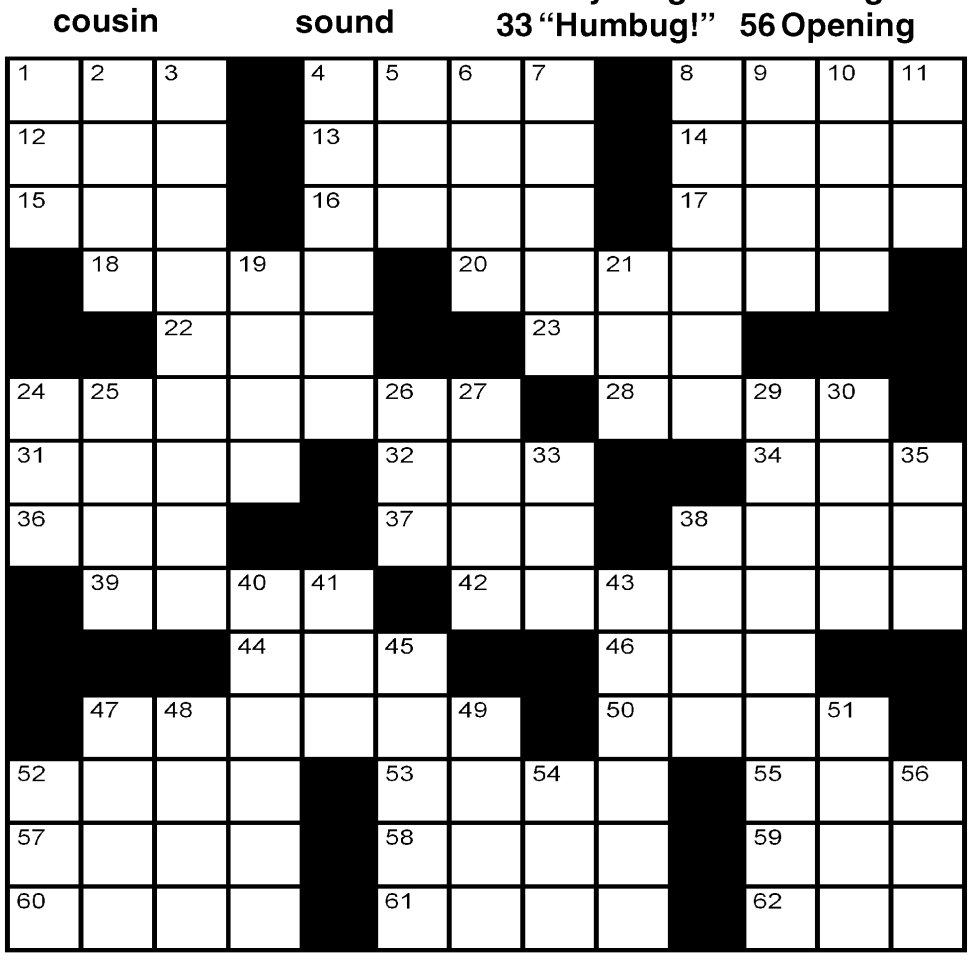

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

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

"V R R C A X R A W X O H G C R I X D D J F W X I U J G V N, H G C I U H I' N Z U H I W J B X J N H W W H F R S I, I U X O R L A W X Y J I J X N H G C V D H E H D X H N." — X L J W E L R D I J L X D

Previous Solution: "There's no cream that can fix you if you're not beautiful on the inside." — Liv Tyler

TODAY'S CLUE: X equals Y

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	5		6					

Previous Answer

1	9	7	3	2	4	8	6	5
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2	7	4	8	1	5	6	3	9
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5	1	9	6	3	2	4	8	7
7	2	1	4	8	3	5	9	6
8	4	5	9	7	6	1	2	3
9	6	3	2	5	1	7	4	8

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Joel Fagliano No. 1204

ACROSS

1 Cry in a pool game
6 They might be jam-packed
10 Stimulate, as an appetite
14 Incendiary crime
15 Nobelist Wiesel
16 Dance with hand gestures that can represent ocean waves
17 Bank of New Orleans?
18 Lecture series with "Ideas worth spreading"
19 Kind of theater
20 "
23 Speak gently
24 Multivolume ref. work
25 Connecticut governor Lamont
26 .
32 You might pick one to get gold
33 One-named singer featured on the 2013 hit "Play Hard"
34 Steels (oneself)
37 Problem for a homeowner or government worker
39 Major muddle
42 Word with history or surgery
43 Purveyors of roast beef and Reubens
45 Gran Canaria, por ejemplo
47 Experimental musician whose name sounds like a cry
48 –
52 TV regulatory grp.
54 Sounds from a stumbler
55 Biblical boat
56 /
61 Ever's partner
62 Jack who hosted "The Morning Show" and "The Tonight Show"
63 Selects from a group
66 One-named singer featured on the 2013 hit "Play Hard"
67 Woodworking fastener
68 Passion
69 Fluid-filled sac
70 Fresh answer, maybe
71 Old-fashioned "Darn!"

DOWN

1 Prefix with practice
2 "There you ___!"
3 Invite initials
4 Strong-arm
5 The tiniest amount
6 Ballet bound
7 Safe, at sea
8 Frees from
9 Volleyball team, e.g.
10 Sudden impulse
11 What self-driving cars and spell check are meant to compensate for
12 Tickle pink
13 Put a strain on
21 Draws back, as before throwing
22 "Groovy, daddy-o!"
26 Auction announcement
27 Genealogist's creation
28 Genuine articles
29 Sweetie
30 TV studio sign
31 "Ay, Dios ___!"
35 "___ California" (Grammy-winning Red Hot Chili Peppers hit)
36 Place on the schedule
38 Sportage maker
40 Seminoles' sch.
41 Of an arm bone
44 Fin beneath a surfboard
46 Like most hippos and hyenas
49 Flies off the handle
50 Competitor of Korean Air
51 "All right, why not"
52 Currency of Switzerland
53 ___ dog (Brooklyn food specialty)
57 Feature of a bow tie or bowline
58 Some sorority letters
59 Partner of letters
60 Online recap letters
64 Auction unit
65 Top-grade grp.?

PUZZLE BY DANIEL RAYMON

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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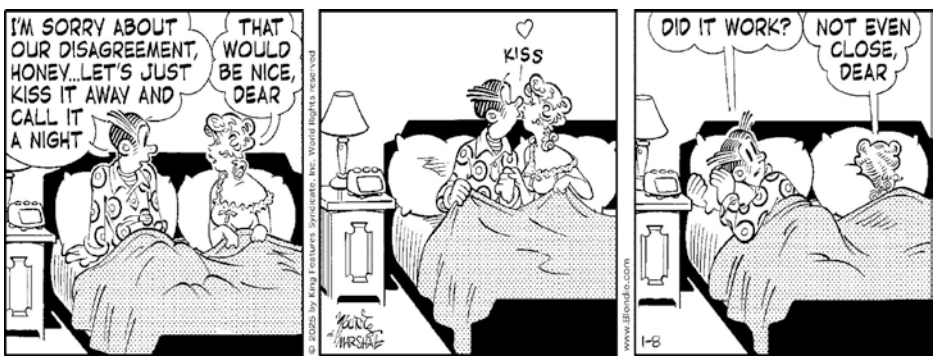

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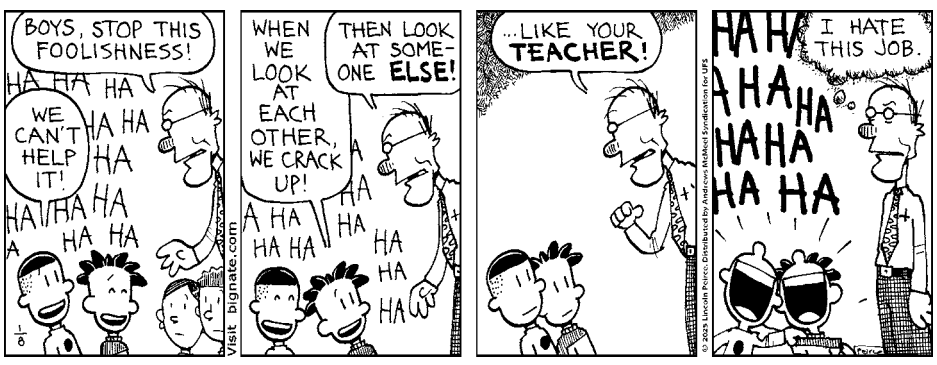

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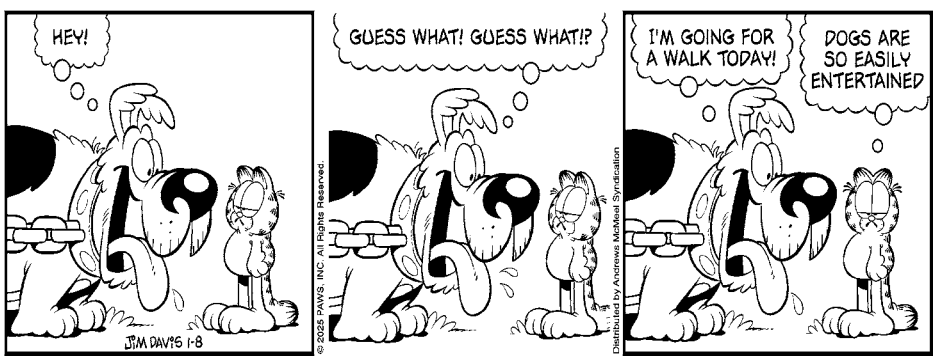

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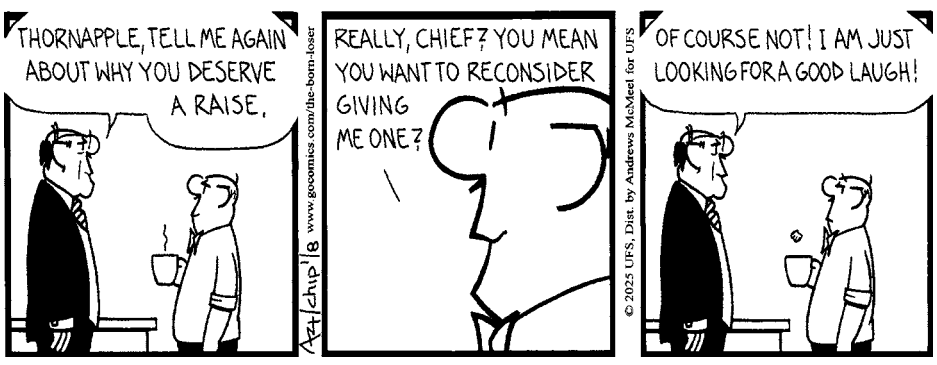

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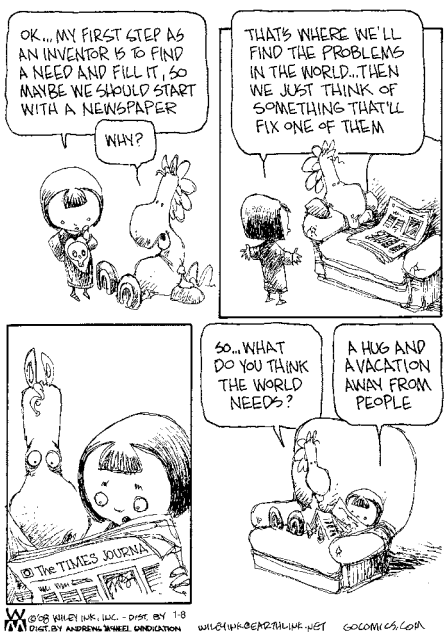

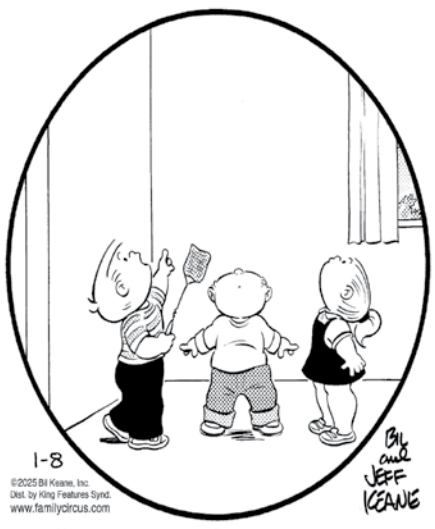

"There he is! Somebody run upstairs and stomp on the floor!"

Unsavory side in fact and fiction

Phillip Alder

Ken Allan published a bridge whodunit, "Deadly Endplay," in 2011. He has also penned a part-fact-mostly-fiction book about cheating at bridge, "Shades of Grey" (Master Point Press).

Can you prove cheating from hand records? Why do players cheat when there are no monetary awards? The answers are not clear-cut, having shades of grey. (The author is Canadian.)

There are several bridge deals. Here is one with a card-play point. What happens in three no-trump after West leads the spade 10?

There is no bidding in the book. With its good six-card suit, the South hand is strong enough for a one-diamond opening and two-no-trump rebid.

Three no-trump looks like a walk in the overtrick park, but after winning with dummy's spade queen and calling for a diamond, East's club discard is a nasty blow.

Now there isn't time to establish the diamonds. The defenders will take three spades and two diamonds. Declarer needs luck in hearts and clubs.

In the book, South "won the diamond, went back to dummy, and played the club jack."

I wonder how she got to dummy. A spade to the ace, opening that suit up? Or with a heart, which blocks the suit? Surely she cashed the heart king before playing her second heart.

Then East made a very bad error, covering the club jack with his queen. Declarer put on her ace and down came the king. South arranged to finesse her club seven and took two spades, three hearts, one diamond and three clubs.

North 01-08-25
♠ A Q
♥ A Q 9 4
♦ 8 7 3 2
♣ J 8 3

West
♠ 10 9 8 5 4
♥ 10 8 7 5
♦ K Q 9
♣ K

East
♠ 7 6 3 2
♥ J 3 2
♦ —
♣ Q 9 6 5 4 2

South
♠ K J
♥ K 6
♦ A J 10 6 5 4
♣ A 10 7

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 10

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

VBEAO

HISSU

NFYLOD

FWEALF

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: ABIDE GUESS SHRIMP SWANKY
Answer: The young eagle was finally ready to leave the nest and — SPREAD HIS WINGS

Eugenia Last

Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2025

Prepare to accommodate everything you want to achieve this year. Changing your routine will positively impact your ability to turn heads and attract followers.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Put any anger you harbor behind you and dangle optimism in front. Get out into the world and exercise your right to use what Mother Nature offers to fulfill your dreams.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Reflect on your beliefs, exchange words with those who feed off your input and push to establish a change that will make life easier by perfecting how you approach your work.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): It will indicate how you can get a similar response to make your life and plans more accessible. Be reluctant when temptation sets in.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Mix and match the people in your life, and you'll devise a winning combination when creating a team to build your dreams.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Change may attract you, but you won't like the results without proper preparation. Don't let shortcuts tempt you when planning and detail are your ticket to success.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Consider what's essential and flush out any loose ends that might get in your way. Rewrite your script to include your desired ending, and watch what unfolds.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Selling off or adjusting what's causing financial stress will allow you to put your time and effort where they're needed most.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be drawn to people and organizations offering a different perspective. Listen carefully and consider how you can use information to your advantage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Keep a low profile until you figure out what you want to pursue. Refuse to let doubt take over when research is necessary to keep you afloat and heading upward.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Notice how your words affect others while painting a positive picture. How you influence those you encounter will determine how well you do.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Ensure no one is left out. Paint a broad picture that everyone can relate to.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Put your energy front and center for all to see, and you'll turn into the entertainment and the go-to person you want to be.

COLTS

FROM PAGE 3A

bunch of individuals out there. At times, I felt like there was just a bunch of guys out there playing football. It didn't look like a unit out there, at times, and it showed."

The loss to the Giants was followed by reports of players being late to team meetings and rehab, something Steichen tried to explain away by acknowledging most teams have players occasionally show up late. Even former players began to question the standards and accountability inside the team complex.

So when Irsay opted to give Steichen and Ballard another chance in 2025, it came with a caveat —

if things don't improve dramatically in 2025, they may not be back in 2026.

"Those are going to be the conversations we're going to have because, obviously, it wasn't good enough this year," Steichen said. "We're going to have those tough conversations moving forward."

RICHARDSON'S NEXT STEP

The 22-year-old Richardson showed flashes of his potential. He ran well and when paired with the resurgent Taylor — who was selected to his first Pro Bowl since 2021 — the Colts showed their ground game could be one of the league's best.

But Richardson missed six more games — four because of injury, two when he was benched after taking himself out of a game against Houston because he was tired. And his completion percentage, 47.7%, was the lowest of any starting quarterback in the league.

Steichen knows Richardson must become more consistent for the Colts to take a big step forward.

"He made strides. I mean, he won us some games, he made some big-time plays," Steichen said. "Did the first two years go the way that we wanted them? No, but it's (a) learning experience, it's a growth experience for him and everybody."

CAPTAIN TALK

Buckner and linebacker Zaire Franklin are two of the defense's most prominent voices, and both understand they must be part of the solution.

Last week, Franklin apologized for saying on his podcast in October, "I want to play a team I knew we gonna spank, like the Giants." Franklin said he'd spend this offseason rethinking several things, including whether to continue the podcast.

Buckner, meanwhile, intends to use his voice another way — recruiting free agents.

"This offseason, there's going to be some changes, and sometimes those changes are going to be uncomfortable for people," he said. "There will be uncomfortable conversations."

INJURY REPORT

Receiver Michael Pittman Jr. was scheduled to have scan on his injured back Monday to determine whether he needed surgery. Pittman was expected to go on injured reserve in Week 6 but instead continued to play with a fracture in his back.

He said Monday he suffered started feeling back pain during a joint practice against Arizona at training camp. He still managed to catch 69 passes for 808 yards.

Starting safety Julian Blackmon also said Monday he suffered a torn labrum in his shoulder injury during the season opener. The injury kept him out of Indy's next game, but Blackmon returned in Week 3 and didn't miss another game. He can become a free agent in March.

BILLS

FROM PAGE 1A

"No one should be denied economic opportunity because they got sick or experienced a medical emergency," she said.

Harris also announced that states and local governments have used a sweeping 2021 pandemic-era aid package to eliminate more than $1 billion in medical debt for more than 700,000 Americans.

The administration announced plans for the rule in fall 2023.

The CFPB said that medical debt is a poor predictor of an individual's ability to repay a loan. Experian, Equifax and TransUnion, the three national credit reporting agencies, said last year that they were removing medical collections debt under $500 from U.S. consumer credit reports.

The new rule from the Biden administration is set to take on the outstanding bills appearing on credit reports.

Sixberry named to dean's list

BOURBONNAIS, Illinois — Krista Sixberry of Crawfordsville was named to the dean's list at Olivet Nazarene University during the recently completed semester. To qualify, a student must have been enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student and must have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 grading scale.

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DAVE SAYS

DAVE RAMSEY

Dear Dave,

I can't afford my student loan payments. Is the best approach to send them what I can afford, even if it's not the minimum payment, or not send anything at all until I'm in a better financial position?

Sydney

Dear Sydney,

Here's the deal. Those guys aren't going to stop calling and bugging you, no matter which of those options you choose. But then, you probably already know that. The benefit, however, of sending them $20 or $25 — if the minimum payment is $50 — is you're forcing yourself to start thinking in terms of planning and living on a budget. My advice? Do everything you can to honor your commitments. That's the moral, legal and spiritual thing to do in these kinds of situations.

You know, lots of times when people say they can't afford something, what they're really saying is they don't want to give up fun stuff in order to honor their obligations. If that's the case, I'm not the guy you need to be talking to or want on your team. You accepted the responsibilities that came with borrowing money. That means if you don't get to eat in restaurants, go on vacation or buy cool new gadgets until you repay the debt, that that's how it is.

However, if you're already living on a crazy-tight, rice and beans budget, and $20 is literally all you can squeeze out, then give them $20 a month. That way, at the very least, you're trying to honor your obligation. And you can tell them with a clean conscience it really is all you can afford.

But there's a bright spot in all this. If you're already scrimping and saving and paying all the money you have—first toward running your household, then secondly to your creditors—you'll find an amazing thing starts to happen. Your dollars start to stretch a little bit further. This will help you clean up your student loan mess and enable you to have a little better life in the process.

Good luck, Sydney. You can do this!

— Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

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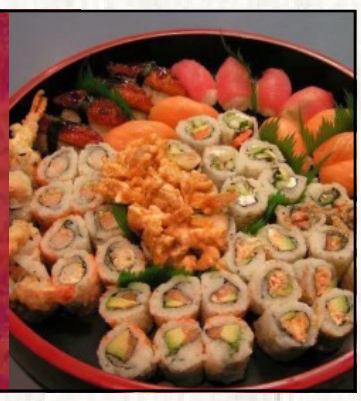

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What's your opinion of 'gentle parenting'?

Remember when parents sternly warned, "Don't take candy from strangers"?

Today's trendiest parents cheerfully advise, "Do take life-changing child-rearing advice from strangers."

According to the Wall Street Journal, social media platforms have been inundated with the buzzword "gentle parenting."

Yes, self-identifying survivors of toxic parenting are now putting their two cents worth in about how to do a more empathetic job of parenting with their own (and, by extension, your) offspring.

("Go ahead and put that two cents in your mouth, Liam. I don't know where it's been, but there's no sense in traumatizing you.")

TikTok alone hosts 183,000 videos about gentle parenting, so it's a highly competitive game for influencers seeking eyeballs. ("Watch me! Watch me! My parents were the absolute worst! I had to chop down my own giant redwood tree for spankings! I'm still grounded, even in case of the Rapture …")

Parents who are physically abusive or emotionally distant certainly exist, but many observers are leery of this not-exactly-new and hard-to-pin-down phenomenon of "gentle parenting."

Many aspects of gentle parenting run counter to generations of tradition. You can't even accuse your kids of throwing a "tantrum" now. Instead, you acknowledge their "big feelings" (and hope that in a few years they don't make the nightly news for their "mostly peaceful big feelings").

No more saying, "Don't hit your sibling." Now the little darlings must be cajoled to "use gentle hands." I hope these guardrails are enough to make them grow up as contributing members of society. ("I'm using my gentle shiv, Ma, but it's not earning me much street cred here on Cell Block B. Bake me a file in a cake … quick!")

Yelling to stop your child from crying is a big no-no. Take the youngster away from the situation. ("I'm not going to holler at you for kicking the headrest of the passenger in front of you. I've got a parachute and there's the emergency exit. Geronimooooo …")

When your children become emotional, you're supposed to get down on their level. ("Validate their concerns!") Believe it or not, some mothers and fathers are reluctant to treat avant-garde little chefs ("bake the turkey at zero degrees for 300 hours") as peers.

It's a tad dishonest to act chill about your child's every infraction or meltdown when every molecule of your being is screaming, "What the h-e-double-hockey-sticks were you thinking by dragging the trampoline onto the roof???"

Since threats and bribes are verboten in "gentle parenting," mom and dad no longer get to play "good cop/bad cop." It's more like, "Let's defund the police — and spend the savings on funnel cake, video games and ponies."

Granted, there are times when the ol' Bob ("Joy of Painting") Ross voice can keep the peace. ("Sure, the friends you invited to a kegger without my knowledge trashed the whole house, but just a dab of magenta should …")

On the other hand, getting too chummy with your kids can actually produce trust issues. ("I can fully understand why you drilled a peephole into the girls' locker room, Beau. Wait, you're not wearing a wire, are you?")

Do you really want your kids' mentality rubbing off on you? ("You're right, Emma. This is the worst day of my life, too. That *^%$# intern grabbed the last powdered doughnut. No, I'm not turning this car around. I'm driving it straight off the cliff! Goodbye, cruel world!")

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Crawfordsville herein referred to as the Owner, will receive sealed bids for the 2024-2 Community Crossings Matching Grant – Application #13938, located in the City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, Indiana.

Sealed bids are invited and may be forwarded by mail, other courier service or in person to the City of Crawfordsville, Attn: Clerk Treasurer Karyn Douglas, 300 E. Pike Street, Crawfordsville, IN 47933 until 10:00 am on January 29, 2025. Bids received after such hour will be returned unopened. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud at this time. Bids will then be taken under advisement for review by the owner and engineer.

The contract will consist of the following:

2024-2 CCMG Paving and associated work items of various streets throughout the City of Crawfordsville.

Complete sets of bidding documents may be viewed at www.hwcplanroom.com. Electronic bidding documents are available for download at www.hwcplanroom.com for a non-refundable fee of $25.00. A hard copy of the bidding documents may be ordered at www.hwcplanroom.com. The bidder will be charged for printing and shipping costs for the hard copies.

Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the Project and the name and address of Bidder. All bids must be submitted on the bid forms as identified in the Contract Documents.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable bidder's bond made payable to the Owner, in a sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid, which check or bond will be held by the Owner as evidence that the bidder will, if awarded the contract, enter into the same with the Owner upon notification from him to do so within ten (10) days of said notification.

Approved performance and payment bonds guaranteeing faithful and proper performance of the work and materials, to be executed by an acceptable surety company, will be required of the Contractor at the time he executes his contract. The bond will be in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid, or all bids, or to accept any bid or bids, or to make such combination of bids as may seem desirable, and to waive any and all informalities in bidding. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least sixty (60) days.

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Bids shall be properly and completely executed on bid forms included in the Contract Documents. Bids shall include all information requested by Indiana Form 96 (Revised 2013) included in the Contract Documents.

If project is $150,000 or more – State of Indiana requirement as of 7/2018, Bidder is required to submit with bid a written plan for an employee drug testing program that complies with IC 4-13-18-5 and IC 4-13-18-6.

Each Bidder is responsible for inspecting the Project site(s) and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the Contract Documents and Specifications. The failure or omission of any Bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation with respect to its Bid.

Any questions shall be directed to Kevin Hay of HWC Engineering by email only at khay@hwcengineering.com. The deadline for questions is Wednesday, January 22nd at 10:00 am.

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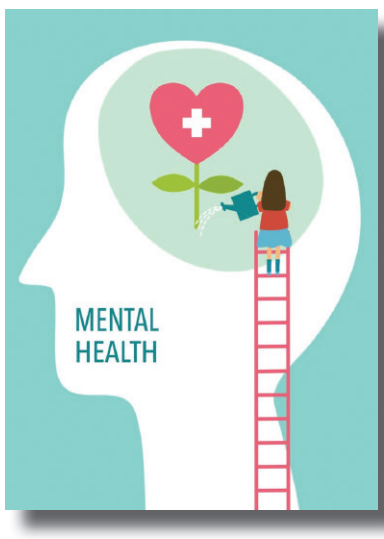
Six reasons why you should get help for your mental health

Many people underestimate the impact that mental illness can have on an individual or family. It can be difficult to admit that you have a mental health problem in your life. Secondly, it can be just as difficult in getting the people you know to understand your situation without making any kinds of judgments.

As a result, here are six reasons why you should make your mental health an important priority in your life.



1. Your situation will improve if you get help: Your anxieties and fears can be challenging to manage and more than likely you will need some help. Just as you talk to your doctor about your regular health, you should not be hesitant in seeking help for your mental health. If left untreated, your anxieties and fears may not go away.

2. Drugs and alcohol are not the answer: Drugs and alcohol can make your problems more complicated. Many people have said that drugs and alcohol will only add more problems to your situation. Be smart and learn how to cope with your mental health issues by talking to a qualified professional. There are many health professionals in your area that can give you some ideas on where you can go for assistance.

3. You will save time and money: Eventually, you will have to confront your fears and mental health issues. Save yourself the time and heartache and confront your problems now rather than later. You will save months of struggling by getting help right away. The sooner you get assistance the faster you will start getting some relief.

4. You are not alone: Everyone deals with fear, stress, and anxiety in one's life whether your friends and others care to admit it. In addition, do not be embarrassed that you are getting help. We all learn new things from others on a daily basis and learning how to manage your anxieties is no different. In addition, your goal is to get your life back on track and not to get everyone's approval. If people start asking you questions, just say your dealing with stress. Most people can relate to dealing with stress and anxiety!

5. Do not make the mistake of doing nothing: There are many people who struggled with anxiety and other mental health related issues, and they tried to ignore their problems. As a result, some of these people struggled on a daily basis and eventually things became more difficult. It can be scary asking for assistance, but the key is to take things one day at a time.

6. You have a variety of options: There are many mental health support groups, organizations, and counselors in your area that can help get your life back on track. Talk to your doctor to get more details on where you can go for some assistance. Help is available but you must be willing to make the choice of getting better. Remember that every problem has a solution. You just have to make the effort to find the answers.

Stan Popovich is the author of "A Layman's Guide to Managing Fear" which covers a variety of techniques that can drastically improve your mental health. For more information, visit his website at http://www.managingfear.com.

Advanced Wound Healing Center open in Crawfordsville

Journal Review

The new Franciscan Health Advanced Wound Healing Center Crawfordsville is now open at 1710 Lafayette Road, Crawfordsville.

The facility will be open once a week on Tuesdays, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., by appointment only.

The advanced wound healing team at Franciscan Health Crawfordsville is a diverse group of medical experts comprised from units and departments throughout the hospital. Team members are assigned based on patient need and could include physicians, nurses, therapists, pharmacists, dietitians and surgery staff.

"We are very grateful to be able to bring an Advanced Wound Healing Center to Crawfordsville," said Shari Overdorf, Franciscan Health Advanced Wound Healing Center Crawfordsville nursing manager. "This is great service for our patients, who will now be able to receive wound care close to home and not have to travel long distances for this specialized type of care. We have an amazing team that will provide exceptional and compassionate care."

The team of specialists at Franciscan Health Advanced Wound Healing Center Crawfordsville use clinically proven methods to achieve positive results for patients. Treatment may include a variety of traditional, medical, surgical interventions and advanced technologies, along with patient education.

In addition to treating wounds, the staff also provides patient and caregiver education, help with specialty equipment ordering, on-site access to take home wound care products. They also provide dietary screening and referral to a dietitian if needed, as well as access to hospital support services such as radiology, laboratory, physical and occupational therapies and outpatient services and coordination of wound treatment with other medical care.

The wound healing team works with patients and their families to create an individualized treatment plan based on needs.

Visit online at https://www.franciscanhealth.org/find-a-location/franciscan-health-advanced-wound-healing-center-crawfordsville-10012501 or call 765-361-3387.

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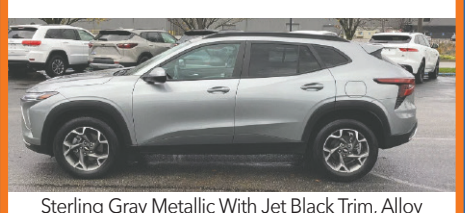

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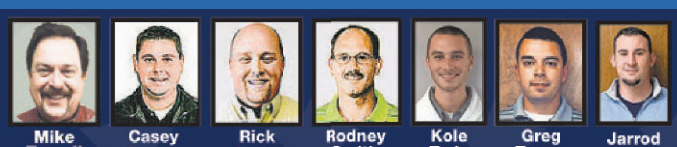
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