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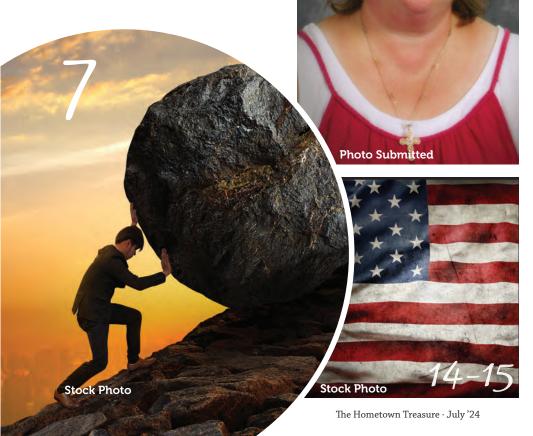


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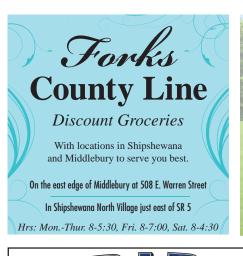
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New Hours!



Rise Up! Do Hard Work and Move Forward!

Get up! Pick up your mat and walk! most here is that Jesus told him to These were the words Jesus said to the paralyzed man at the healing pools of Bethesda in John 5. The man had been paralyzed for 38 years. Although someone took him to the pools every day, he had no hope of ever making it in for healing due to his physical disabilities. He reiterated this fact when Jesus asked him if he wanted healing.

The passage suggests that the man had become so consumed with not being healed that he had given up on it altogether. He was just as paralyzed by his hopelessness as he was by his physical condition.

Friend, have you ever allowed your circumstances to paralyze you with fear? Have you ever become so hyperfocused on your current struggle that it saps you of all hope and joy? Do doubt and lack of faith become your best he had no reason to return to buddies at times?

Imagine how weak the man's legs must have been. Extreme muscle atrophy had indeed set in. But, just like that, Jesus told him to get up! Not only that, but he also instructed him to pick learn that the man up the mat he was lying on and walk. I'm sure it sounded like a tall order for someone who hadn't walked in so many years and had lost hope in ever doing so.

Scripture tells us he did do as Jesus told him to. But what intrigues me the

pick up his mat and walk. Was Jesus that concerned with tidiness? Were there rules about not leaving your mat unattended at the pool?

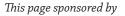
I don't know the answers. I do know that when I have allowed my circumstances to bring me to a place of doubt and disbelief, it is not until I completely remove myself from it that I am free. And most of the time, that requires me to do some hard work crisis, financial stress, relationship first. Hard work such as surrendering, confessing, or asking for forgivenessthe difficult task of purposely removing all my baggage and changing my perspective. Perhaps Jesus is saying to the man, remove yourself entirely from this space of hopelessness and be free. Rise up, do the hard work, and move forward. By taking his mat with him,

that spot again. By law, the act of carrying the mat, was considered work. Later in the story, we was questioned authorities, who saw him carrying the mat on the Sabbath Day. Their laws forbid "work" on the Sabbath. Indeed, given the Sabbath rule, it was a risky and cumbersome task for him. But his joy in being healed far outweighed any backlash he might face.

What kind of work do you need to do to get up and be set free from the things that keep you grounded in doubt and fear? Perhaps you must forgive someone, say you're sorry, walk away from something, or walk toward a goal.

What has you paralyzed? A health woes? What is your mat? Could it be fear, uncertainty, or grief? You're not alone! I, for one, have laid on my mat of despair, wondering if my circumstances will ever change. It wasn't until I got up and did some real "heart" work that freedom was mine. I'm glad I did. There's











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Shipshewana **Area Historical** Society

The Shipshewana Area Historical Society (SAHS) will meet on Monday, July 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Farver School Museum. The building is located across from the Shipshewana Post Office. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

The program will be given by Burdette Norris, our Society's president, and a LaGrange County Library employee of LaGrange. He also drives the Bookmobile through the county delivering books. The public is invited to come.

We will be selling King's BBQ chicken on Saturday, July 27, north of the Auction Sale Barn. This is our last BBQ for the year. Thanks for keeping our history alive! 0



Smart Choices

By: Nikki Evans, Pharmacy Student 🏻 at Topeka Pharmacy

Put Out the Fire: Safe Use of OTC Heartburn Medications

What are PPIs?

class of medicines that end in "-prazole," the stomach to kill these bacteria. such as Prilosec (omeprazole) and Nexium When should someone talk to their (esomeprazole). These medications doctor? decrease the amount of acid produced in the stomach. If the body produces too than 8 weeks, it is important to talk much stomach acid, conditions like acid to the doctor to see if the PPI should be reflux (the flow of stomach acid into the stopped. If the doctor says the PPI is no esophagus) and stomach ulcers (sores that longer needed, it's important to gradually develop on the lining of the stomach) may decrease the dose to avoid any negative occur. However, PPIs don't completely side effects from returning. Additionally, stop the production of all stomach acid; anyone taking a PPI should contact the the body will still make enough to digest doctor right away if any of the following

How should PPI's be taken?

before the first meal of the day. If an over- peeling. the-counter PPI is being used, it should be taken once daily for no more than 14 less frequent urination (may indicate days in a row. If a PPI was prescribed by kidney damage). a doctor, it is not recommended to take the medication for more than 8 weeks in muscle pain (low magnesium).

What are the possible side effects?

Minor, short-term side effects include: confusion (low Vitamin B12). headaches, nausea, abdominal pain, gas, and diarrhea. Rare, long-term side and Vitamin B12 in the body, which can Call us today at 260-593-2252. increase the risk of bone fractures, kidney disease, and infections, such as C. diff (diarrhea) and pneumonia. The body uses stomach acid to kill bacteria that cause these infections. When people take PPIs, they are decreasing the amount of stomach acid that is

Proton pump inhibitors (PPIs) are a produced, which can make it harder for

For those taking PPIs for longer symptoms occur:

- · Rash, hives, or swelling (allergic It is best to take PPIs 30 to 60 minutes reaction), or skin that's red, blistering, or
 - · Swelling in hands, ankles, feet, or
 - · Fatigue, irregular heartbeat, or
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Whom Should You Choose as a Trustee?

When drawing up your estate plans, you might find it useful to create a revocable or irrevocable trust, either of which can help your estate avoid control over how and when your assets are distributed. But who should oversee your trust?

trust — known as the "grantor" or "settlor" — you can also name yourself as trustee. However, this may not be the best move, particularly if the trust is irrevocable. An irrevocable trust protects the assets in the trust from creditors and civil judgments, but if you serve as trustee, this protection will disappear. It might be more advantageous for you to be the trustee of a revocable (living)

trust, which can be modified without much trouble and allows you to move assets in and out of the trust and to change trust beneficiaries. You should work with a qualified estate-planning attorney to determine which type of trust, if any, is appropriate for your

situation, and to get some guidance on the wisdom of serving as your own trustee.

If you

decide to choose someone else as trust- pick someone who doesn't have a conee, you'll want to consider the following

• Trust – In thinking about whom probate court and give you significant you might want to serve as your trustee, the most important attribute is trust. Do you trust that this individual will always act in your best interest? As the person who established the If so, then they may be a good trustee candidate, but you'll also need to look at other considerations.

> · Financial management skills -The person you choose to be your trustee doesn't have to be an accountant or a financial professional — but they should be skilled at managing their own finances. And they should be well-organized and good with details.

> > · Mental and physical fitness -Your trustee could serve in that

> > > position for many years, so you'll want to name someone who is in good physical and mental health. Of course, things can change over time, so if you observe that your chosen trustee has begun to suffer physical or mental

> > > > decline, you may need to name a successor trustee in your trust document.

> > > > > Conflict of interest -You want your trustee to carry out your wishes in a fair manner — so, you should

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flict of interest with any of the beneficiaries you've named in your trust. Of course, this can be tricky if you want to name a family member as trustee. So, if you do, you'll need to spell out your wishes clearly — to the trustee and to other family members.

Here's something else to think about: Instead of choosing an individual, you could name a corporate trustee. By doing so, you can receive some key benefits, such as objectivity and potentially avoiding some of the family-related disputes that can arise when an estate is settled. Also, corporate trustees have the expertise and resources to navigate the various tax and inheritance laws affecting living trusts.

Whether it's a trusted individual or a corporate entity, the right trustee can make a big difference in the effectiveness of your living trust — and, by extension, the outcome of your comprehensive estate plans. So, start your search, get the help you need and take the steps necessary to arrive at a choice for trustee that's right for you and your family. 0

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Youth Department

Children's Summer Reading Program! (All Ages)

All Branches • June 1 – July 27 • Sign up until July 17 at any LCPL location. Watch our website, Facebook page, and at any library branch for fun activities all summer long, and a reading challenge to earn prizes!

<u> Monday Movie Matinee (All Ages)</u>

LaGrange • Mondays, July 1 • 1 p.m. • Luca, 8: Finding Nemo, 15: Alice in Wonderland, 22: Inside Out and 29: Night at the Museum Free snack provided. Bring your own covered drink if desired. All movies Rated PG.

Preschool Story Time (Ages 0-5) Theme: Adventures with Water

LaGrange • Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 • 10:30 a.m. Shipshewana • Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 • 1 p.m. **Topeka** • Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 • 11 a.m. Enjoys stories, songs, and rhymes with a fun craft or activity.

Oculus VR, Nintendo Switch, Wii Gaming Systems

LaGrange • Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 • 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, 26 • 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Switch and Wii: ages 6 & up, parent must stay with children 10 & under. Oculus VR: ages 13 & up, MUST have waiver signed by parent on file. Controllers at Children's desk for 1 hour use, first come, first served.

Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club (Grades 1-7)

LaGrange • Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 • 4-5 p.m. Come read and do fun activities. Reading fluency not required. No books sent home.

STEAM Makerspace (Ages 4-18)

LaGrange • Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 • 2-6:30 p.m. Parents must stay with children ages 10 and under.

A space for hands-on ways to design, experiment, create and invent.

Teen Games (Grades 6-12)

LaGrange • Monday, July 8 • 4–6 p.m. (2nd Monday each month) Enjoy some non-electronic games while snacking & chatting.

Pokemon Club (Ages 8-18)

LaGrange • Monday, July 8 • 6-7:30 p.m. (2nd Monday each month) Have fun playing, trading cards, and learning strategies.

<u>Teen Dungeons & Dragons (Grades 6-12)</u>

LaGrange • Monday, July 8 • 6-7:30 p.m. (2nd Monday each month) Join us to play Dungeons and Dragons. Please sign-up online.

Lego Free Play

LaGrange • Thursdays 2-6:30 p.m.

Shipshewana & Topeka • every Thursday • 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Parents must stay with children ages 10 and under.

Use our collection of Legos and idea books to create and build.

Teen Book Chat

LaGrange • Monday, July 22 • 4-4:45 p.m.

Read a non-fiction book that teaches you something, or a biography, and come discuss and share your thoughts with the group.

Teen Advisory Group - TAG (Grades 6-12)

LaGrange • Monday, July 22 • 5-6 p.m.

Help plan activities, choose books, and offer ideas. Pizza provided!

Fairy Tale Escape Room! Registration Required

LaGrange • July 23, 24, 25, 26.

MUST reserve a time by phone or on website. Grades 6 through Adults; Younger kids welcome with adults but this will be a challenging room.

Family Movie Night!

LaGrange • Friday, July 26 • 6 p.m. • Movie to be determined. • Rated PG Free popcorn! Bring your own covered drink.

Shipshewana Branch

250 Depot St. • 260-768-7444 M - F • 11:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Saturday • 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

LaGrange County Public Library

203 West Spring Street • 260-463-2841 M - Th • 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. Friday • 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Saturday • 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Topeka Branch

133 North Main Street • 260-593-3030 M - F • 11:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Saturday • 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Youth Department (continued)

Special Storytime Field Trip! - Registration not required

July 30 • 10:30-11:30 a.m. • Meeting at Par-Gil Center, 2335 N SR 9 An adventure with Smokey Bear! If raining, we will meet inside at the park.

Adult Interest

Adventure Begins at your Library!

2024 Adult Summer Reading Challenge

All Branches LaGrange Co Public Library • June 1 – July 27 Put an entry in for each book read by an author you've never tried before. Multiple entries welcome. One entry per author. Must be 18 or older. Win one of four picnic basket or backpack sets! Entry forms at each branch and the bookmobile starting June 1.

Culinary Adventures: Vegan Brunch

The Rooted Vegan • 30 N Public Square, Angola • Thursday, July 11 Carpool Departs: 10 a.m. • Meet at Restaurant: 10:45 a.m.

Must register at LaGrange or call 260-463-2841 x 1030. Explore interesting restaurants and food stores throughout our area! Meet at the library to carpool or meet us at the restaurant. All food purchases at your own expense.

<u>Second Saturday Book Club (Ages 16+)</u>

LaGrange • Saturday, July 13 • 11 a.m.

This month we'll discuss "Braiding Sweetgrass" by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Drawing on her life as an indigenous scientist and a woman, Kimmerer shows how other living beings-asters, goldenrod, strawberries, squash, salamanders, algae and sweetgrass-offer us gifts and lessons. Copies of the book are available at the LaGrange's Adult Desk.

<u>Patchwork Trails – Par-Gil Natural Resources Learning Center (All Ages)</u> 2335 N SR 9, LaGrange • Tuesday, July 16 • 6 p.m.

Patchwork Trails combines exercise, education, friendship, and fun! Each free walk showcases seasonal beauty unique to each property. No Registration, just meet at each designated park.

Painting with Carl Mosher (Ages 12+)

LaGrange • Friday, July 19 • 1-4 p.m.

Even if you've never painted before, you'll be amazed at what you're capable of! Carl will supply all the materials. Cost is \$25 payable to Carl at class. Classes fill fast. Call today to sign up. Register at 260-463-2841 x1030.

Saugatuck Adventure: A One-Day Motor Coach Trip

Saturday, July 20 • Depart & Return: LaGrange Town Hall. Register with S&S Travel by July 7. Cost \$207/person.

This adventure will include a ride on the Dune Schooner, lunch and shopping on your own in downtown Saugatuck, a narrated cruise of the Kalamazoo River on an authentic sternwheeler, and a stop at Oval Beach, recognized as one of the "Top 25 Beaches in the World." We'll stop for supper at Culver's in South Haven. Stop in at the LaGrange Library or check our website for full details!

Culinary Adventures: World Markets

Himmel Haus German Food • 3444 S. Main St., Elkhart, IN Asia Market, 2021 Shaffer Ave., Elkhart, IN • Thursday, July 25 Carpool Departs: 1:00 p.m. • Meet at Himmel Haus: 1:50 p.m. Must register at LaGrange or call 260-463-2841 x1030. All food purchases at your own expense.

Cookbook Club

LaGrange • Saturday, July 27 • 11:00 a.m.

This month's cookbook is: "As Cooked on TikTok" by Emily Stephenson Check out the book at the LaGrange Adult Services Desk, choose a recipe from the book, make it and bring it to the Cookbook Club carry-in! Families welcome. Plates, silverware, coffee & tea provided.

July Events

Breakfast With the Birds

Wednesday, Aug 14 • 8–10 am

Maple Wood Nature Center

Coffee, donuts and nature conversation.

Sewing Group

Wednesday, July 24 • 9:30 am–3:30 pm Maple Wood Nature Center Fee: \$5 donation for Parks

What is a UFO? If you answered an unfinished object, this is the perfect sewing group for you! Bring your sewing machine and supplies, and get help and direction with your project! This is a wonderful opportunity to socialize and share ideas with others. Please bring your own lunch/drink, and a snack to share. Please RSVP with Linda Grobis at 260-351-3609.

Folk Jams

Sunday, July 28 • 1:30–5 pm
Maple Wood Nature Center

Jams are mostly folk, country, and bluegrass music with other styles occasionally added. Bring a snack to share if you'd like. For more information, contact Erv Troyer at 260-463-2247 or by email at reo43@aol.com.

Every Park Every Trail

Saturday, July 13 • 9 am Mike Metz Fen Trail at Pine Knob Park 2825 E SR 120 Howe, IN

The Third trail date for the 2024 Every Park Every Trail Walking Club will be July 13 at Mike Metz Fen Trail, 2825 E SR 120, Howe, IN. The walk will begin at 9am at the Pine Knob Clubhouse. Trail maps may be found at the trailhead, on the LaGrange County Parks website, or on the AllTrails App. It is free to participate. Walk at your own pace; there will be a fun reward for those who participate! A Park Representative will be present for check-in. For more, visit www.lagrangecountyparks.org or call 260-854-2225.



Patchwork Trails

Tuesday, July 16 • 6 pm Par-Gil Natural

Resources Learning Center
Patchwork Trails combines exercise,
education, friendship, and fun! The
2024 Patchwork Trails Walking Season
shares six guided nature walks in area
parks. Each walk will showcase seasonal
beauty unique to each property. We'll
look at what's blooming, what's singing,

what's flying, and what's underfoot. A detailed description of each walk will be put on the Parks website calendar prior to each walk, at lagrangecountyparks.

org. No fees or

registration are required,

just meet at the designated starting point. Make sure to dress for the elements! Each walk lasts approximately one hour.

EVERY PARK EVERY TRAIL

2024 Summer Swim Lessons

July 8-12, July 15-17 or July 22-23

Dallas Lake Park • \$50 fee per student

per session • Ages 5-12

10 Classes @ 50 minutes

Class 1 > 10:00 am - 10:50 am

Class 2 > 11:00 am - 11:50 am

Class 3 > 2:10 pm - 3:00 pm

Class 4 > 3:15 pm - 4:00 pm

Contact the Park Office to sign up and receive registration forms 260-854-2225. •

2024 Summer Day Camp

The three summer day camps will be FREE this year, thanks to special funding provided by JDAI LaGrange County! To register your child for a summer camp, please call the Park Office at 260-854-2225.

Nature Bound

July 8-12, or July 15-19 9 am-3pm • Dallas Lake Park Grades 1-6 can have fun outside each day with nature games, environmental education, outdoor skills, and hands-on activities. Enjoy swimming, hiking, games and crafts, led by the Park Naturalist. You may sign up a child for one week of Nature Bound at first, to provide an opportunity for as many children as possible to enjoy a week of camp. You may call the week before a new Nature Bound Camp to see if there are any available spots left for your child to enjoy a second week of Nature Bound.

Wilderness Bound

July 29 - Aug 9 • 9 am-3pm Youth entering Grades 9-12

First week activities include meeting Mon-Fri to learn skills for camping trip. Second week activities include overnight camping, Hiking with backpacks and river canoeing. This is an opportunity to learn team building, accountability, responsibility, variety of survival skills and decision making skills.

Photo Scavenger Hunts

We have 6 photo scavenger hunts throughout our 5 larger parks. Do them all! Stay tuned to our events calendar for special scavenger hunt activities.

DAR ANNUAL MEETING

The LaGrange de Lafayette Chapter NSDAR held its annual meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at the Mt. Zion Lutheran Church. Chapter officers and Committee Chairpersons presented reports highlighting the chapter activities for the 2023 program year.

The Patriotism Committee highlight was the report on Veterans services including the Veterans Day Appreciation Meal, condolence cards to families of forty-two deceased veterans, and the Project Patriot care packages sent to active-duty personnel.

Assisting the South Milford Community League in applying for a DAR grant to assist the Veteran's memorial Monument project and attendance at the dedication ceremony were featured in The Historic Preservation Committee report.

The revitalization of the Jacob Leer CAR (Children of the American Revolution) Society coupled with the presentation of Good Citizen Awards and Junior American Citizens Awards exemplify the chapter commitment to education.

was busy making a quilt for the Chema- ters participate in projects to promote wa Indian School, assembling Birthday historic preservation, education, and Cake Kits for the Clothes & Food Basket, and logging more than 4,000 vol- have joined the organization since its unteer service hou<u>rs.</u>

The Chapter received thirty-five plus Baxter Heart Awards at the Indi- more about DAR membership, visit the ana State Conference held May 16 - 19 LaGrange de Lafayette Chapter Facein Indianapolis. "Our chapter is making book page or contact DARLaGrange@ significant contributions to the com- gmail.com.

munity through our events and activities. Keep up the excellent work ladies!" said Regent Alesia Feiertag.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is a women's service organization whose members can trace their lineage to an individual who contributed to securing American independence during the Revolutionary War. Today's DAR is dynamic and diverse, with over 185,000 members in 3,000 chapters in the

The Service to America Committee United States and abroad. DAR chappatriotism. Over one million members founding in 1890.

If you are interested in learning





Members of LaGrange de Lafayette Chapter NSDAR enjoyed Camp Baxter USO Show Night during the annual State Conference. Lafayette Ladies Sharla Thompson, Sandy Klausing, Maureen Bartow, Alesia Feiertag and Dalonda Young donned forties attire and joined the fun.







Remembering Our Military

The Jacob Leer Society Children of the American Revolution CAR assisted the age of twenty-two is the VHP in placing flags on Veterans graves: Riley & Liam Weaver, Faith and Carver Stump, Pierce and Royce Yoder, Lex and Ellie Thompson.

The National Society Children of lineally descended from a the American Revolution is a youth organization that was founded on April 5, 1895, by Harriett Lothrop. The idea was proposed on February 22, 1895, at the Fourth Continental Congress of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.

"Any boy or girl under eligible for membership in the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution who is man or woman who, with unfailing loyalty, ren-

dered material aid to the cause of American Independence as a soldier, sailor, civil officer, or recognized patriot in one the United States, provided that the ap-

plicant is personally acceptable to the Society." (Article III, National Bylaws)

If you want to learn more about of the several Colonies or States, or of CAR membership, contact us at DARLa-Grange@gmail.com. 0



The LaGrange de Lafayette DAR chapter in conjunction with the NSDAR is pleased to announce the National The Hungry nonprofit organization • Graphic Novel - Silver: Olivia Baka Citizens for the 2023-2024 school year. Students from four Westview Elementary Schools receiving top honors are:

- Mrs. Gongwer's class received Funds raised were used to provide needthe holidays.

ect. Funds raised were sent to the Feed zo Herta relief and food for victims of natural Engle disasters.

pression contest theme "Sparkling in silver medals for their Penny Project. the Stars with the 50th Anniversary of the NASA Space Shuttle Program" ed items to community families during was enthusiastically embraced by the Bontrager, Harrison Bontreger, Justin students.

• Ms. Huyvaert's class received • Art Banner Group - Silver: Kendyl Re- • Short Story - Gold: Yaritzi Munoz

gold medals for their Star Snack Proj- inhold, Akhila Reed, and Yaritzi Mun-

- Medal Awards for Junior American in South Bend that sends emergency Art Stamp Design Silver: Chandler
 - Art Banner Group Gold: Ryan Bon-The annual Art and Creative Ex- trager, Cayden Coleman, Jamin Miller, and Matthew Yoder
 - Short Story Gold: Justin Miller
 - · Art Banner Group Gold: Adrian Miller, and Lynn Miller

NSDAR's commitment to education supports LaGrange de Lafayette Chapter's opportunity to showcase the excellent work of the students in the LaGrange County community. If you know a classroom, scout group, or other organization that serves children who would like to become involved with the JAC Contests and activities please contact us at DARLaGrange@ gmail.com. 0





JULY 3rd

5:00pm Softball Tourney Begins on the East Park Diamonds

8:00pm Homerun Derby

JULY 4th

7-10am Pancake & Sausage Breakfast at the Topeka Fire Station

8:00am Road Race & Fun Walk register at East Park Pavilion

3-on-3 Basketball Tourney *sponsored by LaGwana*

Softball Tourney Continues

10:00am Kid's Games in East Park Playground

Garden Tractor Pull on Babcock St.

11am-1pm Juggler Lamar Yoder find him around the park

Noon Mousetrap Theatre at East Park Pavilion

3:00pm Watermelon Eating Contest near East Park Pavilion

Sign up begins at 2:30











Topeka's Fourth of July Parade Marshal

by Stacey Massey

This year's Parade Marshal for Topeka's Fourth of July is Connie Gadson! Or as most of us might know her "Miss Connie". Connie moved to Topeka the week of July 4th, 2000. She just loved the small-town atmosphere and the community feeling that Topeka exudes. Connie is a huge pet lover and has enjoyed pet sitting for different families in the community. She also has a special place in her heart for children and has loved working alongside them at Topeka Elementary as a janitor for 21 years before retiring. At an elementary school, that is a job that does not get enough credit. She also worked in the daycare, Community Ministries, before she took over the preschool. Miss Connie ran Precious Gifts Preschool, starting in her home then moving into the basement in the former Topeka Mennonite Church, for 18 years. In those 18 years Connie believes she had more than 300 kids come to her school. When asked what her favorite part of teaching preschool, she responded, "Seeing the excitement in the students' faces when they 'get it'. Everything is a teachable moment. I always strived to instill that in each child. Also, exposing the children to experiences they normally might not have the chance to experience. Observing all sorts of animals/insects/frogs, even having a classroom bat occasionally. If I showed excitement about something I REALLY wanted them to learn about, they would pick up on that excitement and carry it over into their own lives. And I wanted

them to know when they came into my classroom, they are loved unconditionally and are safe." As a parent of two of her students, Aunt to three more, and friend to many other parents of students, I can say that any kid that came through her doors was loved! Always with a smile on her face, Miss Connie has taught so many children in our community to strive to do their best, be kind, be curious, be all you can be. Not in the Army (unless you want to), but in life. She remembers every student and every name and is still asking about their well being to this day. Thank you, Connie, for being such a presence in our children's lives and in this community! You are loved and appreciated! 1











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LCCF Community Scholarship Recipients

gram at the LaGrange County Community Foundation will help graduating high school seniors reach their educational dreams.

Through the 2024 program, a total of \$145,250 in scholarships will be provided to area students. Jennifer Mc-Bride, Community Foundation Scholarship Manager, presented the awards in May to students at school ceremonies for Lakeland, Prairie Heights and Westview schools.

The Community Foundation manages more than 50 individual schol-

The Community Scholarship Pro- arship funds created by individuals, families and businesses to benefit a specific school or field of study. The scholarship funds support a variety of career paths such as education, agriculture, health, science, nursing, and more.

> "Each year we look forward to awarding our Community Scholarships to high school seniors. These scholarships recognize the accomplishments the students have achieved in the last four years," said Executive Director Octavia Yoder.

> "We are grateful to the individuals, families and businesses who cre

ated these scholarship funds and have worked alongside the Community Foundation. We aspire to welcome new donors and fund more students as the program continues to grow. We are extremely appreciative of the community volunteers who take time to help read and evaluate scholarships. The process is quite an undertaking and is truly a community partnership of donors, volunteers, schools, and Community Foundation staff. It's rewarding to help support the educational goals of students in our community," Yoder added.





Lakeland Jr. Sr. **High School scholarship** recipients:

- · Abigaile McNamara, Allread-Rife Family Scholarship, HOPE Nursing Scholarship, and Virgil and Florence Hardin Memorial Scholarship
- Johanna Guzman, Brian Evans Memorial Scholarship
- · Xai Leu, Bruce Brown Memorial Scholarship, George O. Witwer Memorial Scholarship, Lambright Leadership Award, and Waddell Scholarship
- Aiden Tuttle, Bulldog Spirit Scholarship
- · Jayden Marshall, Chase Scott Memorial Football Scholarship
- · Cassidi Parham, HOPE Nursing Scholarship, Judy-Gage Keenan Scholarship, and Mattea Holton Memorial Scholarship
- · Adriana Sturgill, J.O. Mory Company Scholarship and Joseph Willard Memorial Scholarship
- · Clara Rasler, Jean Seagly Crouse Memorial Scholarship and Mary McGawn Teaching Scholarship
- · Taylor Jerdon, Lakeland Scholarship, Lambright Leadership Award, Melvin and Marjorie Bricker Memorial Scholarship, and Ray and Ruth Culp Memorial Scholarship
- · Takya Wallace, Olivia Bay Lemings Memorial Scholarship
- Kylie Fry, Paul and Marian Krebs Scholarship
- · Nathan Keil, Terry Schmidt Memorial Basketball Scholarship



Prairie Heights High School scholarship recipients:

- Emma Crites, Allread-Rife Family Scholarship, Beverly Todd Memorial Scholarship, and Prairie Heights Scholarship
- · Kaylyn Allshouse, Allread-Rife Family Scholarship
- · Ashley Young, Craig D. and Ronda S. Neff Memorial Scholarship
- Ethan Wolheter, Ellsworth Fanning Memorial Scholarship, Kevin Lewis Purdue Agriculture Memorial Scholarship, LaGrange County Farm Bureau Coop Scholarship, Ned Stump Memorial Scholarship, Perkins Family Scholarship, and Prairie Heights Scholarship
- Alyssa Jones, Prairie Heights Band Scholarship
- Breonna Glasgo, Prairie Heights Scholarship
- Olivia Zook, Prairie Heights Scholarship



Westview Jr. Sr. High School scholarship recipients:

- Jace Lang, Farmwald Scholarship, Holly Petersen Memorial Scholarship, James F. Kalb Memorial Scholarship, Keith and Arline Davis Memorial Scholarship, Lambright Leadership Scholarship, and Rheinheimer Scholarship
- · Benton Hershberger, Ignite Your Future Scholarship
- Wade Springer, Kerry Wilt-Spradlin Memorial Scholarship, and Melvin and Marjorie Bricker Memorial Scholarship
- · Christien Noward, Lambright Leadership Scholarship
- Jacob Peruski, LIFE Scholarship, Lyle Smith Scholarship, and Mory Family Scholarship
- · Kaitlin Nuzum, Morgan Hunter Memorial Scholarship
- Hope Bortner, Rheinheimer Scholarship
- Jennifer Osorio-Luna, Schlemmer Scholarship

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- 2 Daniel Lancour
- 3 James Bailey, Benjamin Mast, Kimberly Mast, Ava Yoder
- 4 Brooklyn Miller
- 5 Brian Miller, Reese Yoder
- 6 Eric Riehl, Jordan Troyer, Adrianna Wingard
- 7 Salia Bontrager, Ethan Mast, Evan Mast, Austin Miller, Meghan Otto, Jenat Sowaileh, Christopher Wirtz
- 8 Averie Brandenberger, Taegyn Parmley, Michelle Yoder
- 9 Kayla Miller, Harmony Starrett, Brayden Walz
- 10 Kendall Lambright, Allison Miller, Micah Whetstone
- 11 Leila Fry, Leila Mast,Samuel Ruiz Gonzalez,Colleen Whetstone,Trentlyn Wingard, Alissa Yoder
- 12 Amy Miller, Kailey Miller
- 13 Zachary Detweiler, Jeremy Troyer
- 14 Austin Hostetler
- 15 Zen Castaneda, Molly Lehman
- 16 Sariah Detweiler, Noah Howard, Jenna Schrock, Mason Sweet
- 17 Daelynn Bryan, Mariah Lehman, Skylynn Weeden
- 18 Brent Yoder, Rylan Yoder
- 19 Jackson Byers, Timothy Lovely, Braelee Miles, Jesse Mishler, Lilly Yoder



- Remington Craig, Samuel Reffett, Wyatt Steider
- 21 Jaylin Lehman, Edison Martin, Isaiah Yoder
- 22 Justin Miller, Lucas Miller, Carson Yoder
- 23 Kaiser Bontrager, RyLynn Matney, Alivia Miller, Devon Miller, Joshua Troyer, Logan Yoder
- 24 Landon Beachy, Madelyn England, Jayla Lehman, Clayton Moon, Justus Ponce Marin, Allison Stutzman
- 25 Ashlin Rockey, Joshua Schlabach
- 26 Adrian Bontrager, James Fender, Easton Miller, Lynn Miller, Jackson Sivits, Jayden Yoder
- 27 Matteo Guevara, Constance Killian, Isaac Raber, Joshua Riehl, Beckett Troxel, Bayzli Turner, Janae Yoder
- 28 Josiah Jones, Sytenyan Sornross
- 29 Kevin Miller, Josiah Radcliff, Hadley Yoder
- 30 Brayden Bontrager, Owen Carman, Mason Sivits
- 31 Izaiah Balyeat, Glendon Miller

Sponsorship Space Available

Westview 7th Grade ORIENTATION



Westview Jr. Sr. High School will be hosting seventh grade orientation on Monday, August 5th. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m with the event starting promptly at 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m in dents will be Tuesday, August 13th, the Wilson Auditorium. Please come in through Door 19 (south parking lot).

Registration for grades 8-12 will be the following dates /times:

- Tuesday, August 6th, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 7th, from Wednesday, August 21st. 1 11:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 8th, from 8:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m.

· Junior High lunch fees may be paid at this time. Breakfast cost is \$2.00 per day and lunch is \$3.20 per day.

The first day of school for all stustarting at 8:10 a.m. Students will report to assigned rooms where they will receive their schedules, student handbooks and other pertinent information.

School picture day for Westview Jr.-Sr. High School this year will be

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2023 -2024 ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION

Meadowview Elementary School would like to acknowledge the following students of the 2023-2024 school year for their academic achievements and outstanding citizenship.



The following fourth grade students received the <u>PE "Mental</u>.

<u>Attitude" Award</u>: Aaron Hershberger, Jaxon Stutzman, Benjamin Chupp, Kaylee Yoder, and Grace Beechy. Also pictured are the fourth grade students who received the <u>PE "Top Athlete" Award</u>: Ava Bontrager, Bryan Bontrager, Isaac Bontrager, and Kristen Bontrager.

All Photos Submitted



The following students received Reading Club Awards: Kara Troyer, Makenna Stutzman, Jenna Miller, Lincoln Yutzy, Jayna Miller, Kenton Yoder, Kohler yoder, Nicholas Bontrager, Jayna Miller, Nicole Miller, Hadley Keim, and Sariah Detweiler.



The following fourth grade students got all <u>A's throughout the 2023-2024 school year</u>: Benjamin Chupp, Hadley Keim, Amber Miller, Peyton Raber, Isaac Bontrager, Aaron Hershberger, Bryan Lehman, Joshua Miller, and Sariah Detweiler. Additional fourth grade students were also recognized and awarded for receiving all A's & B's this year.



The following students were awarded a trophy for reading and passing 20 AR tests for the Young Hoosier Program: Benjamin Chupp, Aaron Hershberger, Hadley Keim, Amber Miller, Sariah Detweiler, Jaxon Stutzman, and Bryan Lehman.



Meadowview Elementary

TRIKAPPA FINALISTS AND WINNERS

The TriKappa finalist and winners for the 2023-2024 school year were recognized. Lastly, each classroom awards one boy and one girl from their class for the Meadowview Citizenship award, the winners are pictured below.



Jolyn Bontrager, Devon Bontrager, Janessa Yoder, Keith Miller, Jenna Fry, Thomas Miller, and Harper Raber.



Aaron Hershberger, Kylah Miller, Alayna Bontrager, Karson Plank, Natalie McDonald, Zachary Miller, Caleb Miller, Adrian Yoder, Vonda Mishler, Tidus Schrock, Kara Lower, and Sydney Yoquelet.



Austin Bontrager, Sadie Yoder, Janae Miller, Jesse Mishler, Jenna Miller, and Brian Hochstetler.



Maddox Wolfe, Audrey Bontrager, Derek Lehman, Savannah Lambright, Ruby Davis, and Colton Beechy.



Ryan Mast, Allison Bontrager, Ava Bontrager, Seth Troyer, and Sherri Kauffman.

PRETZELS FOR THE WIN





The 2023-2024 school year has come to an end, but not before Shipshe-Scott students and staff held their fourth quarter celebrations.

Each classroom handed out a Respect Award to one boy and one girl who were praised for treating students and adults the way they would want

to be treated. These students
were kind and considerate on a
daily basis and helped create
a positive environment. The
final Shining Citizens of

the school year were also awarded to students who were positive role models in the classroom. We are so proud of all our students at Shipshe-Scott this year and all the hard work and growth they showed! Staff would like to wish students and their families a safe, relaxing summer, and look forward to seeing everyone in August!

Kindergarten Respect Award
Winners: Back (left to right): Leah
Williams, Kendra Hochstetler,
Emarie Baker, and Avery
Starkey. Front: Cole Wilkins,
Oliver Lancour, Dominic
Young, and Brody Cranor.

First Grade Respect

Award Winners:

<u>Back</u> (left to right):

Weston Troyer, Isaac Graber,

Cameron Miller, and Oliver

Clark. <u>Front</u>: Brylee Wilson, Freya

Olweean, Makayla Troyer, and Cora

Second Grade Respect Award
Winners: Back (left to right):
Brayden Schlabach, Benson
Hochstetler, and Cameron
Bontrager. Front: Addalyn
Miller, Bethany Miller,
Kianna Yoder, and
Jenna Slabach.

Third Grade Respect
Award Winners: <u>Back</u> (left
to right): Alyssa Miller, Ellie
Fry, and Noelle Amsden. <u>Front</u>:
Royce Yoder, and Micah Miller.

Fourth Grade Respect Award Winners: <u>Back</u> (left to right): Jaxton Horner, Jennika Mullet, and Bradley Hochstetler. <u>Front</u>: Reagan Wilson, Gage Miller, and Jalayna Penick.



WESTVIEW WARRIORS

Topeka Elementary

the Bears





Students enjoyed a fun day outside sponsored by the PTO. Ice cream treats, sidewalk chalk, bounce houses, and carnival games were among the fun activities. It was a beautiful day and everyone had a blast! Thanks to our wonderful PTO for planning and sponsoring this event!



END OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Four students were selected to of LaGrange, Mia Stemm (5F) of Shipshewana, Jake Chupp (6G) of Ship-Shipshewana.

These students received a gift card and plaque from the Westview Elemen- L. Miller Excellence in Reading Award. tary PTO.

Four students out of 24 who had perfect attendance this school year were drawn to receive a gift card from the PTO, as well. There were 13 fifth graders and 11 sixth graders.

Winners of the gift cards were David Bontrager of Shipshewana, Jana Troyer of Shipshewana, Leon Bontrager of Topeka, and Aubrey Young of Ligonier.

Two students who had at least 95% attendance were also drawn for a gift card. They were Cohen Shepard of Wolcottville and Zienna Yoder of Shipshewana.

receive the Outstanding Citizens of was awarded to both Alex Stutzman of the Year award. Weslee Steider (5D) Middlebury and J.J. Warrener of Shipshewana. Mr. Brenneman retired from Westview School Corporation after 36 shewana, and Chandler Engle (6E) of years of dedicated teaching. He exemplified excellence in his teaching.

Also being awarded was the Samuel Barkman. 🕕

This Media Center Award is giv-

The Roger Brenneman Math Award en to the top reader(s) in the fifth and sixth grades who participated in the Indiana Young Hoosier Book Program for this school year.

> Fifth grade winners were Weslee Steider and Brinley Kraft. Sixth grade winners were Lisa Troyer and Alyssa





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Westview Elementary Home of the Warriors

OUTSTANDING CITIZENS 4TH GRADING PERIOD

The outstanding citizens are chosen based on the following:

- behavior.
- **2.** They are responsible for their assignments.
- **3.** They show respect for adults and and other school activities.
- **4.** They serve as role models for other students.
- of others.
- **6.** They display good manners.
- **7.** They participate in the classroom period!
 - **8.** They are honest and trustworthy.
- **9.** They are courteous and cooperative. PTO provided coupons to JoJo's 1. They are responsible for their 5. They respect the property and rights Pretzels and Topeka Pizza along with various food treats. Congratulations to the winners for the fourth grading



Fourth Grading Period Outstanding Citizens (In no particular order): Ethan Eash, 5A; Hannah Troyer, 5B; Grace Miller, 5C; Katy Mishler, 5D; Landon Beachy, 5E; Kimber Helmuth, 5F; Travis Miller, 5G; Zoey Moon, 5H; Gabriel Chupp, 6A; Kayla Schwartz, 6B; Juliana Yoder, 6C; Drayden Slabach, 6D; Justin Miller, 6E; Jake Chupp, 6G; Hallie Stults, 6H; and Toby Miller, 6I. Photo Submitted



2023-2024 Quarter 4: Regular Honor Roll (3.0-3.499)

In addition to the GPA requirements for Honor Roll, students must be enrolled in at least 5 credit hours and have no grades lower than a C-



Adrian Beechy, Bryndle Bontrager, Jaylen Michael Bontrager, Bontrager, Tyson Bontrager, Hadleigh

Noah Cleveland, Bontreger, Jesse Doremus, Durrel Frey, Zayne Geigley, Tenley Groves, Addison Hershberger, Seth Hochstetler, Tyler Hostetler, Dreyke Howard, Hannah Jasso, Kenlyn Lambright, Riley Lambright, Kylin Meadows, Kameron Meyers, Caydon Miller, Hailey Miller, Justin J Miller, Kaydence Mosher, Dante Schmucker, and Rachel Troyer.



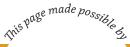
Ibrahem Alrasheed. Matthew Bibbee. Caedmon Gates, Thomas Hoover, Rayna Jackson,

Janessa Miller, Travis Mitchell, Wyatt Murray, Keegan Norberg, Luke Stults, Owen Weinberg, Devyn Whetstone, Kendra White, and Kloie Yoder.



Grade Zakaria Algaradi, Emma Cummins, Adam Frey, Anthony Fry, Caleb Hershberger, Lyle

Hershberger, Alexis Lambright, Azriel Lehman, Karson Mast, Adison Miller, Amber Miller, Darrin L Miller, Derek Miller, Justin D Miller, Kaylee Nuzum, Zuriah Reed, Aiden Slabach, Bayli Smith, Malarie Steider, Alexandria Sweet, Hannah Troyer, Mason Walz, Braydon Yoder, Ethan Yoder, Karla Yoder, Madalyn Yoder, and Logan Yutzy.





Taylor Katana Bibbee, Bryan, Makenna Feipel, Jasmine Miley Litton, Mast. Samuel Miller.

Nathan Peruski, Lili Terrones, and Levi Trethewey.

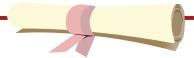


Emily Bontrager, Maverick Deveau, Micah Geyer, Christopher Irons, Dena Miller, Caitlyn Sites-McKowen, Alayna

Suddarth, and Ryan Yoder.

Grade

Jocelyn Dominguez, Khatab Fadil, Chloe Hagerman, Riley Helman, Johny Henard, Aidan McBride, Karli Miller, Luis Osorio, Brandon Palmer, Thomas Raley, and Skye Stump.



2023-2024 Quarter 4: High Honor Roll (3.5 or above)

In addition to the GPA requirements for Honor Roll, students must be enrolled in at least 5 credit hours and have no grades lower than a C-



Tennley Amsden, Tyrone Baccol, Brynn Bontrager, Isaiah Bontrager, Janelle Bontrager, Janelle R Bontrager, Jaron

Bontrager, Justin Bontrager, Karl Bontrager, Kathleen Bontrager, Kevin Bontrager, Sara Bontrager, Hope Brandenberger, Chloe Briggs, Avery Christner, Jaxon Christner, Kristen Chupp, Cassidy Detweiler, Charlie Double, Ellianna England, Madalyn Everage, Braden Fry, Deric Fry, Jared Fry, Karla Fry, Micah Fry, Breanna Garrett, Lukas Gingerich, Jenean Hochstetler, Karina Hochstetler, Lisa Hochstetler, Blake Hostetler, Keera Hostetler, Ethan Kemp, Abigail King, Andrea Lambright, Jewel Lambright, Lucas Lambright, Megan Lambright, Spencer Lambright, Victoria Lambright, Adrian Lehman, Jonah Lehman, Katelyn Martin, Ethan Mast, Kailey Mast, Kylie Mast, Lisa

Mast, Adrian Miller, Allyse Miller, Alyssa Miller, Brandon J Miller, Britton Miller, Darin J Miller, Emma Miller, Eric Miller, Ethan Miller, Gavin Miller, Jessica Miller, Josiah Miller, Kari Miller, Karla Miller, Kirsten Miller, Laura Miller, Logan Miller, Melody Miller, Merle Miller, Micah Miller, Sandra Miller, Lance Mullet, Anisa Omarouf, Hailey Otto, Serena Otto, Kandice Parker, Belen Quiroga, Jayna Riehl, Evan Roth, Sofia Ruiz, Asher Sandquist, Kenlyn Schlabach, Lyndora Schrock, Joshua Slabach, Makayla Slabach, Faith Stump, Janessa Stutzman, Lucas Swanson, Tori Taylor, Alisyn Tetzloff, Kaci Troyer, Chloe Turner, Jakoby Whetstone, Ana Wingard, Brendon Yoder, Bryce Yoder, Darcia Yoder, Darin Yoder, Dustin Yoder, Erik Yoder, Grady Yoder, Josiah Yoder, Lyndon Yoder, Maciah Yoder, Marilyn Yoder, Olivia Yoder, and Deanna Yutzy.

Lagwana Westview Jr./Sr. High

Home of the Warriors

2023-2024 Quarter 2: High Honor Roll (3.5 or above)

In addition to the GPA requirements for Honor Roll, students must be enrolled in at least 5 credit hours and have no grades lower than a C-

Grade

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Bontrager, Loraine Bontrager, Melissa Bontrager, Laine Bortner, Tyler Brewer, Liam Brill, Kari Chupp, Noah Chupp, Luke Eash, Cooper Fry, Myra Fry, Mila Geyer, Travis Gingerich, Hailey Graber, Morgan Grossman, Remington Helmuth, Amy Hershberger, Katelyn Hochstetler, Alayah Hostetler, Jenisa Kauffman, Rylan King, Jacob Lambright, Julie Lambright, Melody Lambright, Elizabeth Lehmer, AJ Martin, Maggie Mast, Mari Mast, Jada Mauck, Paige McDonald, Anna Miller, Brandon L Miller, Brendan Miller, Brent Miller, Cole Miller, Cory Miller, Hannah

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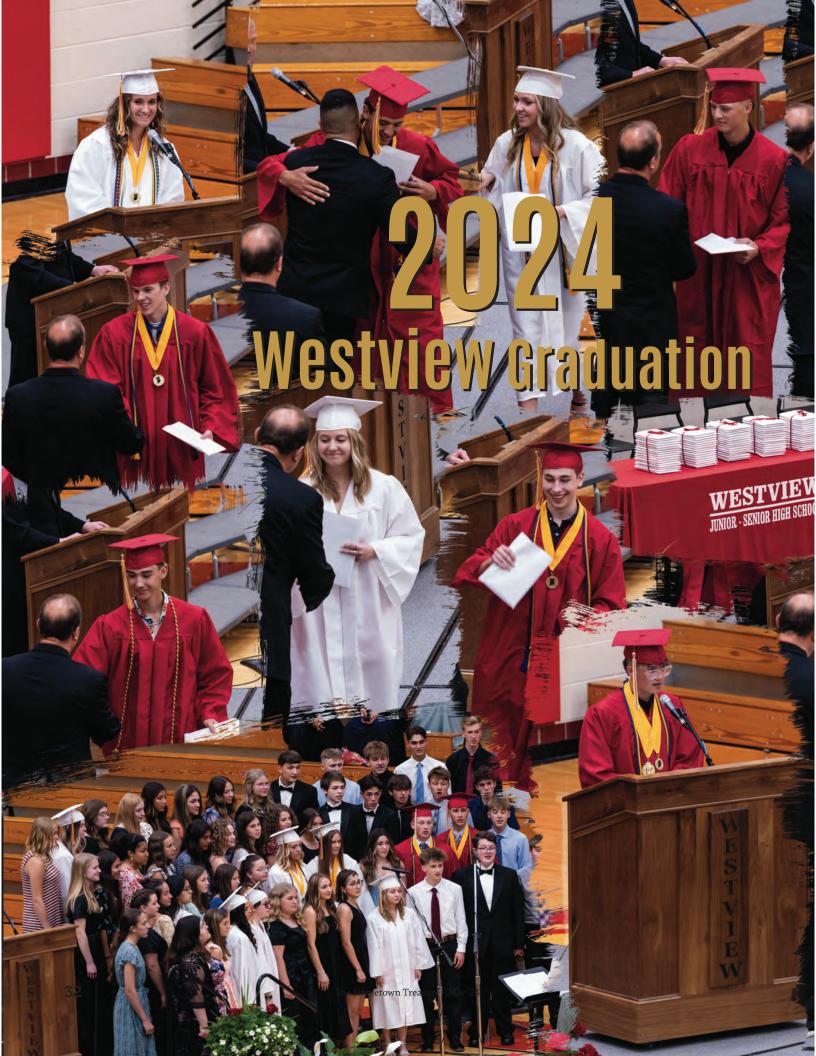
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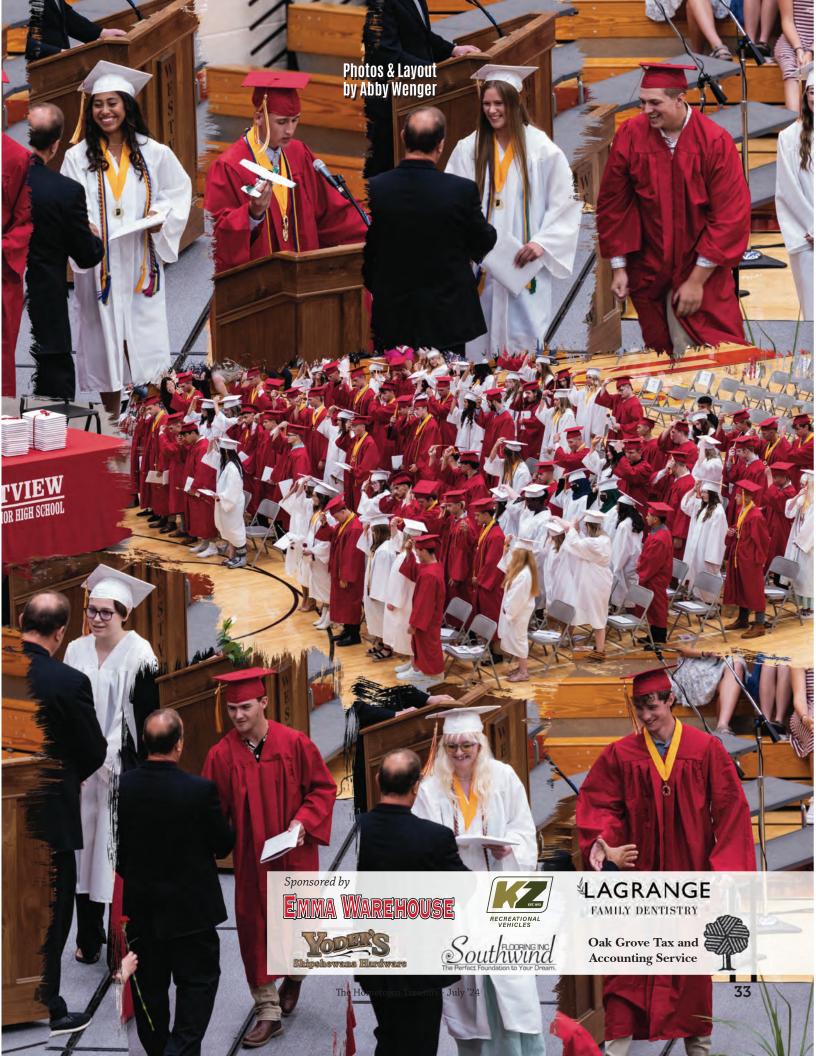
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By Harold D. Gingerich



It was only a small news item, barely five lines of print on page six of the October 13, 1924, The Garrett Clipper. "Shipshewana, Ind., claims one of the youngest high school seniors in Indiana. The brilliant student is Miss Lolita Hostetler, 14 years of age." But, who in the world was Lolita Hostetler? Who were her parents? And what ever happened to her? Does she still have family living in the area? Inquiring minds want to know ... NO. inquiring minds obsess until they know! But where to start?

search of Ancestry.com and Find a Grave (findagrave.com) provided also raised a host of new questions. was born at 6 pm on October 9, 1909, in Clay Township to Abraham Lincoln Hostetler (1876-1953) and Winifred "Winnie" Beatty-Hostetler (1877 -1964). Abraham was recorded as be-

ing a 33-year-old farmer, and Winifred as a 32-year-old housewife when Lolita was born. Dr. A.J. Hostetler was the attending physician who signed the birth in English from II Timothy 4:4-6. certificate. No middle name or initial for Lolita was listed on the birth certificate; however, Ancestry.com shows that it was "M".

With a first and middle name like Abraham Lincoln, I figured that some (1909-1999) and John Beatty Hostetler

Hostetler in the area had to have heard of him. That led to a series of text messages with Jerry Hostetler at LaGwana and Rick Hostetler who lives east of Emma, to see what they knew about A quick online a person named Abraham Lincoln Hostetler. Unfortunately, neither Jerry nor Rick had ever heard of him. So much for finding easy answers.

Abraham Lincoln Hostetler was some answers but born in Emma, Indiana, on September 8, 1876, to John M. (1839-1914) and Susannah Hochstetler Hostetler (1845-Her birth certificate 1879). John and Susannah were marstates that Lolita ried on March 13, 1864. They would have five children together before she died on January 11, 1879, at the age of 33. Susannah was buried in the Osborn Cemetery just east of Shipshewana.

> Following her death, John married Barbara Sunthimer (1850-1923). John would father 13 children between his two marriages. He died on July 8, 1914. According to the July 23, 1914, Gospel Herald, a publication of the Mennonite Church, the funeral was at the Emma Church with J.J. Troyer preaching in German from Psalm 23 and Y.C. Miller

> On December 24, 1902, Abraham married Winifred "Winnie" Beatty. They lived in Clay Township where he farmed, and she kept house. Abraham and Winnie had two children Lolita

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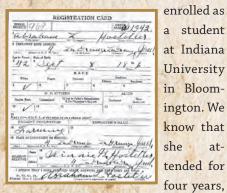
(1916-2002). We know from his World War I draft card, signed and dated September 12, 1918, that Abraham had brown eyes and was of medium height and build. Abraham died on Monday, October 5, 1953, at the age of 77. Rev. Marion O. King from First Methodist Church in LaGrange conducted the funeral with burial in the Osborn Cemetery. It is interesting that the name on his headstone reads Abram L. Hostetler, not Abraham Lincoln.

Lolita graduated from Shipshewana High School in the Class of 1925. One of her classmates was Riley Case who later taught at Shipshewana and was a driving force behind the creation of 4-H in LaGrange County. Their class picture, along with many of the graduating classes from Shipshewana, is on display at the west end of the hallway in Yoder's Department Store.

Tracing Lolita's life following graduation has been challenging. Thanks to the January 5, 1928, edition of The Topeka Journal we know that she was

Funeral For A. L. Hostetler Will Be Thursday

Services will b conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Caton & Frurip Fune al Home in La-Grange for Ab aham C. Hostetler, 77, who died about 4 p.m. Monday, at his home 7 miles northeast of Topeka Tne Rev. Marion O. King, pastor of The First Methodist Church of Lin-Gange, will officiate, with burial in the Osborne Cemetery northe at of Topeka, Surviving Mr. Heatetler are the wife, Winnie; a son Beatty Hostetler Sturgis, wich a daughter, Mrs. Luita Saunders, Put-in Bay, Ohio ; two half-brothers, Allen Hostetler Stone Lake, and Fred Hostetler, Orland and two hilf-sisters, Mrs. Todd Boutrager, Shipste-



but finding any graduation information has thus far been unsuccessful.

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Where she went and what she did following her days at I.U. are a mystery. The next information we can find is that on October 19, 1934, she married Lakewood, Ohio, native Arthur MacDonald Saunders (1908-1974) who is said to have stood 5'6" with brown eyes and hair. We don't know how or where they met and fell in love, perhaps it was at Bloomington. Their marriage license states that they were married in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, by a Rev. W.T.

From Arthur's WW II draft card, we learn several interesting things. Frist, they were living on Wooster Pike in Strongsville, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and that he worked for Standard Oil Company. And in an era when wives seldom used their maiden names, she is listed as "Mrs. Lolita Hostetler Saunders" as being the person who will always know his address.

The 1940 US Census provided us with additional information. In 1940 they were living in Rocky River, Ohio. He was an accounting clerk with a petroleum company, and she was working on a poultry farm.

How long Arthur worked for Standard Oil we do not know. From Arthur's September 9, 1974, obituary we do discover some interesting details about Arthur and Lolita's life. For 20 years they

owned and operated Saunders Restaurant in Put-In-Bay, Ohio, and The Corner Store on South Bass Island in Lake Erie. The Saunders had cabins for rent. Known as the Key West of the Midwest, Put-In-Bay continues to be a popular tourist destination between Port Clinton and Toledo. It was the site of Commodore Perry's navel victory over the British in the War of 1912.

Graveside services for Arthur were conducted by Rev. George Johnston at the Maple Leaf Cemetery at Put-In-Bay in Ottawa County, Ohio. Lolita died at the age of 89 on August 31, 1999, and was laid to rest next to Arthur. There is no record of them ever having any children.

However, laying against their headstone is a small limestone plaque. Who placed it there we do not know. On it are written these words: No farewell words were spoken. No time to say goodbye. You were gone before we knew it. And only God knows why.





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I have <u>officially</u> put my garden to rest. My in-laws <u>brought</u> me a home built <u>raised</u> planter a week ago, and it has been <u>filled</u> and planted with four <u>little</u> pepper plants and four little <u>onions</u> I <u>scrounged</u> from the <u>remains</u> of my garden. I planted those onions <u>years</u> ago, and they always grew nice and tall, but never <u>managed</u> to grow to more than an inch in diameter.

I also <u>scattered</u> a few good <u>handfuls</u> of grass seed over my garden, to help <u>along</u> the grass and weeds that were already <u>beginning</u> to <u>cover</u> it over.

Here's <u>hoping</u> the raised bed will be more <u>successful</u> and I'll <u>finally</u> be able to <u>enjoy</u> some fresh veggies that I grew in my own back yard (if the critters in my neighborhood don't get to them first!) Solution on page 40.

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LAST MONTH'S WINNERS

John & Sara Wingard of 500 S, Topeka correctly identified last

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Shipshewana. Congratulations! They won a 1 Year Subscription from The Connection, a pen, a notepad set, a letter opener, and a copy of *The Way I See It* from LaGwana. Second prize went to **Chris & Alice Bontrager of 765 W, Shipshewana**. Third prize went to **Junior & LeEtta Yutzy of 900 W, Shipshewana**.



There were 21 correct entries this month. **Others that guessed correctly were:** Harley Miller, Joni & Ruby Bontrager, Ernie & Sue Miller, Dale & JoEllen Yoder, Marcus & Sara Miller, Orla & Diana Yoder, Orvan & Rosanne Lambright, Jr & Beth Whetstone, Clarence & Polly Fry, Richard & Ruth Miller, Matt & Janell Miller, Gerald & Marlene Troyer, Herman & Viola Lehman, Amos Jay & Ida Anna Miller, Jaron & Colleen Miller, Devon Whetstone, Kyle & Delores Yutzy, and Vernon & Irene Schmucker.

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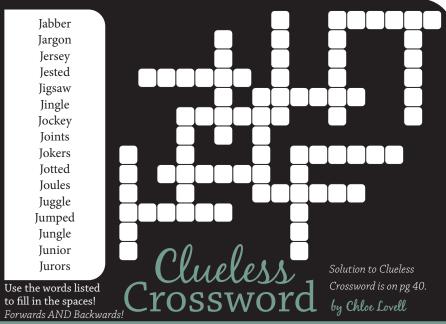
Six-year-old Joyce Barkman of 700 S, Millersburg was our winner for the June Coloring Contest. She won an ice cream treat of choice at Wana-Cup in Shipshewana.

Everyone else that sent in a page can stop by Wana-Cup for a free ice cream cone through July.

Runners-up were Amy Diane Mast, age 6; Alyssa Yoder, age 5; Haley Barkman, age 4; Kaitlyn Hershberger, age 3; and Mary Rosa Eash, age 2. Honorable Mentions: Halle Stutzman, age 6; Mariah Faith Yoder, age 6; Hadassah Grace Yoder, age 6; Kyle Miller, age 6; Christopher Jon Eash, age 5; and Ava Eash, age 4.

Be SURE to include all your information on the coloring page, even your age! We do not want you to miss out! Remember, the contest is only for children up to six years old. •

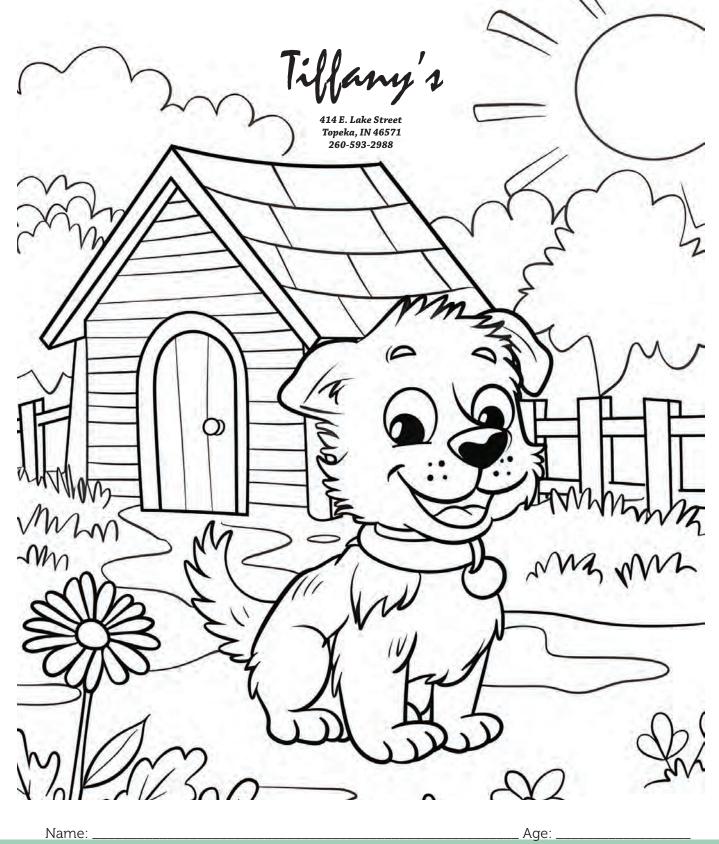




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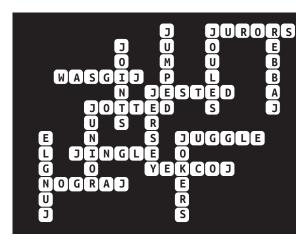
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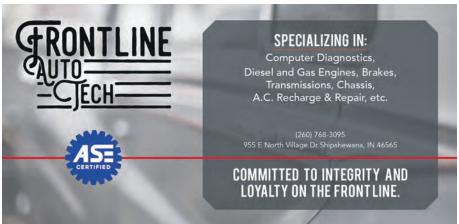
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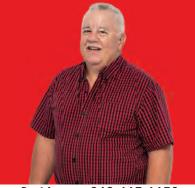


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Residents may notice these volunteers as they methodically visit each historical building. Their activities will include verifying the existence of these structures, noting any conditional changes and taking photographs for documentation purposes. LaGrange County Together Director Darci Stanner Gaff wants to assure the community that the presence of these volunteers is part of a benign effort to celebrate and maintain our shared heritage. "If

50 years old, you may notice our volunteers photographing or taking notes about your property. Please don't be suspicious or alarmed, we are just documenting these homes for our inventory", said Gaff.

Please note:

The volunteers will not be conducting any form of tax assessment.

The volunteers will not be asking to come on your property or inside your home.

The purpose of the survey is purely to maintain an accurate record of LaGrange County's historic prop-

The data collected will contribute to the conservation and awareness of our architectural history.

We appreciate the understanding and

cooperation of the community as we undertake this important initiative to honor and preserve the historical legacy of LaGrange County.

For further information, please contact: Darci Stanner Gaff with La-Grange County Together. Email: darci@ lagrangecountytogether.org.

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