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2021 JV & Varsity Girls Soccer Teams: Back (left to right): Coach Jesse Ward, Taryn Kistler, Jocelynn Schrock, Paige Riegsecker, Madison Hooley, Elaine Troyer, Hannah Sprunger, Katie Engelage, JV Coach Grace St. Claire, and Asst. Coach Chad Bender. Third: Manager Jocelynn Dominguez, Faith Beechy, Leigha Schrock, Aliyah Fry, Karlie Schrock, Shanna Miller, Maryah Bontrager, Hope Miller, and Manager Andrew Byler. Second: Kelsie Ward, Brianna Munoz, Morgan Riegsecker, Kaitlin Nuzum, Dena Miller, Dayshayla Miller, Bianca Leonard, and Olivia Jasso. Front: Paige Schwartz, Andrea Miller, Jasmine Bontrager, Hope Bortner, Karly Miller, Morgan Rich, and Stacy Stutzman.

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JH Girls Soccer



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- 1) Selena Martin fends off her Goshen opponent for control of the ball.
- 2) Keeper Mari Jo Mast stops Goshen from scoring.
- 3) Olivia Bontrager tracks the ball in order to gain possession.

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Girls Soccer NECC Champs!



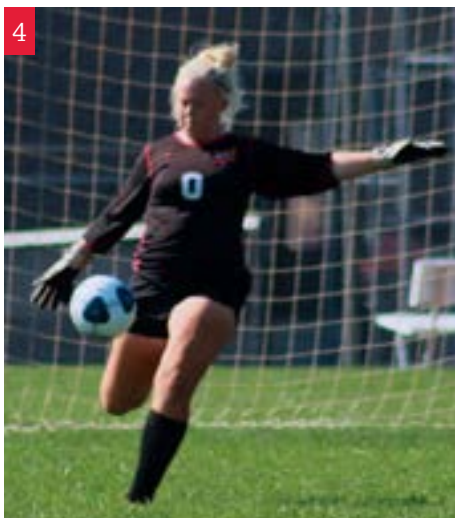
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- 1) Karly Miller keeps the ball in Westview's control.
- 2) Westview players line up to accept the NECC Championship plaque.
- 3) Leigha Schrock works to gain control of the ball.
- 4) Keeper Madison Hooley drop kicks the ball down the field.
- 5) Morgan Riegsecker heads back to take her position after a goal.

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Word Search

(find all the underlined words) by Erika Byler

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School has been back in session for a bit now, which means it is time to start gearing up for play season! I am very excited to be kicking the season off this year with the Regional

Competition for International Thespan Society. It has been wonderful to watch the students grow and explore the world of theatre the past few years as we have joined the ITS competitions. This year, we are taking a show written by our very own director, Steve Pruitt. It is a comedic love letter to high school plays and the wonderful growth, skills, and community theatre can provide. I am writing this piece in preparation for auditions tonight, so here is a prayer for confidence, friendly competition, and above all, community and close friends for each of the students who will be auditioning tonight and for our shows going forward this year. ①

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by Brenda Yoder, LMHC, Advocate for Elijah Haven, Speaker, Writer & Life Coach

Teen Anxiety

"We keep it to ourselves or bottle it in." These are words local students use to describe how teens deal with stress. A few years ago, I spoke to Westview's health classes on stress and anxiety. From a show of their hands, the majority acknowledged they deal or have dealt with anxiety.

Anxiety disorders are the most common mental health disorders among teens, affecting 25% of all teens and 30% of teen girls (National Institute of Mental Health). LaGrange County teens are no different. The students came up with a comprehensive list of how they experience stress:

fatigue, obsessive thoughts, emotional exhaustion, depression, loss of hope, loss of appetite, worrying, restlessness, sick stomach, hyperventilating, loss of sleep, the body is out of control, migraines, being overly sensitive, tense muscles, lack of concentration, irritability, overthinking, and having a racing heart.

Do those symptoms seem overwhelming? Can you imagine pretending like you have got it all together when these things are going on inside of you? How do kids cope with all this stress?

Students reported they keep a lot of their stress to themselves or try to bottle it up inside. However, they identified unhealthy ways teens cope with anxiety: self-harm, drinking,

drugs, smoking, isolation, being angry, being perfect, not eating, overeating, and having suicidal thoughts. These are accurate ways teens try to numb anxious feelings or deal with situations they cannot control.

Unfortunately, teens are stressed today in multilayered ways. Triggers of stress identified by local teens were school, sports,

responsibility, perfectionism, expectations of

parents, expectations of friends, and themselves. They also cited past choices, fitting in, physical appearance, social media, and fear of missing out as causes of anxiety. Perhaps the deepest causes of stress mentioned were parental choices, relationships, trauma, and abuse.

If 25% of all teens struggle with the above situations, how can adults in their lives help them? Here are five healthy ways you can help the anxious teens in your life.

1. Pay attention to their anxiety. The physical and behavioral symptoms listed above are indicators your teen's body is responding to stress and fear. Our bodies respond to anxiety by fighting, fleeing, or freezing as self-protection. Do not discount


your teen's experience when their bodies are telling them they're not okay.

2. Listen to their fears, feelings, and support them with empathy. Being heard and understood is a big component in relieving anxiety.

3. Put their fears or stresses in the context of a bigger picture. Teens tend to focus on what is in front of them. Help them see the situation in a bigger context rather than just the here and now. However, do so on their level, not in a condescending manner.

4. Teach them to correct faulty thinking. Teens often talk, feel, and think in absolutes—always/never, everyone/no one, none/all. For example, "Everyone at school hates me." Empathize with your teen about their feelings, but then help them see the truth of the situation. Absolute thinking perpetuates anxiety by promoting hopelessness and fear.

5. Get them professionals when needed—your family doctor, a counselor, or other mental health professionals specializing in anxiety. Do not let them carry this struggle alone. Often parents or family dynamics add to an adolescent's stress, and they need an outside, neutral person to talk to.

These tips are not just for teens but apply to adults, too. Take care of your stress and anxiety, too. 



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- 6 Noah Cleveland, Erik Yoder, Juliana Yoder
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Parkview LaGrange OR Receives Award

Parkview LaGrange Hospital (PLH) has received recognition from the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) for making the operating room (OR) a safer place for staff members, physicians, anesthesiologists, and patients alike.

AORN has recognized the hospital team with the gold level of the Go Clear Award™ for its achievement in eliminating hazardous smoke—known as surgical plume—from its surgical procedures.

The Go Clear Award is presented by AORN to recognize healthcare facilities that have committed to providing increased surgical patient and healthcare worker safety by implementing practices that eliminate smoke caused using lasers and electro-surgery devices during surgery. According to AORN, there are no federal regulations specifically regarding surgical smoke; however, hospitals and health systems that place a strong emphasis on patient and workplace safety—including Parkview—are working to address the potential risk from repeated exposure to surgical plumes. PLH earned its award by undergoing comprehensive surgical smoke education and testing, and by providing the medical devices and resources necessary to remove surgical plumes during all smoke-generating procedures.

Surgical plume is the unwanted by-product of energy-generating devices that are used in 90 percent of all surgeries. Its contents include toxic chemicals such as benzene, formaldehyde, hydrogen cyanide, and carbon monoxide, plus viruses, bacteria, blood, and cancer cells. Inhalation and absorption of surgical smoke pose serious health risks to patients and surgical staff. Studies compare the inhalation of smoke from vaporized human tissue to the smoke created by cigarettes; the average daily impact of surgical smoke to the surgical team is equivalent to inhaling 27 - 30 unfiltered cigarettes.

PLH is the first Parkview hospital—and one of three in the state—to receive gold recognition currently from AORN's Go Clear Award program, which includes gold, silver, and bronze levels of distinction. ❶

Back row (left to right): Loren Helmuth, MD, Parkview Physicians Group, General Surgery; Randy Bryant, MBA, BSN, RN, CNOR, OR Manager; Todd Klinedinst, Vice President of Patient Care Services and CNO; and Jodi-Kaye Cross, BSN, RN. Front: Amy Eastwood CFA, CST; Corena Zolman, BSN, RN, nursing clinical action team chair; and Susan Walsh, RN. Not Pictured: Caitlin Blair, RN; Hollie Brewer, RN; Vickie Fry, RN, OR charge nurse; Matt Harvath, CST; Joeline Miller, CS tech; Betsy Beiswanger, CST; Angela Thompson, RN; and Mariah Trentacosti, RN.

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LaGrange County Public Library

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Friday • 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday 9 am - 12 pm

Topeka Branch

133 North LaGrange Street • 260-593-3030
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Saturday • 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Below are the events planned for October 2021.

Note that all virtual/Facebook sessions have been dropped. If you have any questions, please call the LaGrange library at 260-463-2841 for further information.

Youth Department Multiple Branches

In-Person Preschool Story Time (Ages 0-5)

LaGrange • Tuesdays, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 • 10:30 am
Shipshewana • Tuesdays, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 • 1 pm
Topeka • Wednesdays, Oct. 6, 13, 20 & 27 • 11 am
Theme: Learning the Alphabet
Registration is appreciated but is not required.

New Activity Bags out for Pick-up (while supplies last)

All Locations • Monday, Oct. 11
Theme: Miscellaneous Take & Make crafts.

Home School Group (All ages welcome)

Shipshewana • Wednesday, October 13 • 1 pm
LaGrange • Friday, October 15 • 10 am
Topeka • Friday, October 15 • 1 pm

We will be having Smokey Bear and local fire departments coming to talk about indoor and outdoor fire safety.

Must call the LaGrange library (260-463-2841) by Oct 8 to register.

LaGrange County Public Library

Teen Games (Grades 6-12)

LaGrange • In-Person • Monday, October 11 • 4 pm
Theme: Board Games!
Limited Registration. Must register by October 4.

Elementary Book Club (Grades 2-5)

LaGrange • In-Person • Tuesday, October 19 • 4 pm
Reading: *Flora and Ulysses*
Discuss the book and get the next book.

Teen Book Club (Grades 6-12)

LaGrange • In-Person • Tuesday, October 19 • 5 pm
Reading: *Enola Holmes - The Case of the Missing Marquess*
Discuss the book and get the next book.

Smokey the Bear visits the Library (Grades K-5)

LaGrange • Wednesday, October 20 • 4 pm
Smokey will explain the value of trees as a natural resource and a valuable wildlife habitat, and about the five rules of fire safety.

Must call the LaGrange library (260-463-2841) by Oct 13 to register.

Movie and Popcorn (All ages)

LaGrange • In-Person • Friday, October 22 • 6 pm
Movie: *Boss Baby*, *Family Business*, Rated PG.
Free popcorn provided, bring your own covered drink if desired.

Teen Craft (Grades 6-12)

LaGrange • In-Person • Monday, October 25 • 4 pm
We will learn to crochet a rug with t-shirt yarn.
Supplies will be provided.

Space is limited. Must call (260-463-2841) to register by Monday, Oct 18.

Adult Interest

Multiple Branches and Other Locations

Knot Again! Decorative Knots with Sandra

Shipshewana • In-Person • Thursday, October 7 • 4 pm
Sandra will teach us how to tie a variety of beautiful knots!
This program is free. All ages, but children should bring an adult to help them. Register at the Shipshewana branch.

Second Saturday Book Club

Topeka • In-Person • October 9 • 11 am
El Zorrito Restaurant, 110 Redman Dr., Topeka
This month's book is *My Sister, the Serial Killer* by Oyinkan Braithwaite.
This month we will meet at the restaurant to discuss this short, darkly funny, hand grenade of a novel about a Nigerian woman whose younger sister has a very inconvenient habit of killing her boyfriends.
Copies of the book are available at the LaGrange library's Adult Information Desk.

Due Date Stitch Club

Shipshewana • In-Person • Begins Thursday, October 28 • 4 pm - 5 pm
Learn a new stitch at every meeting or bring a project you are working on. Library books are checked out for three weeks at a time, so just remember Stitch Club meets the same day your books are due. Participants must know basics of how to knit (knit & purl) or crochet (single & double). Bring your own yarn/materials.

LaGrange County Public Library

Gentle Flow Yoga with Farra

LaGrange • In-Person • Mondays, Oct. 4, 11, 18, & 25 • 10 - 11 am
LaGrange • In-Person • Thursdays, Oct 7, 14, 21 & 28 • 10 - 11 am
Please bring a yoga mat, a rug, or a blanket. The first class is free! For each further class, a \$5 donation is suggested.

Hillsdale College Free Online Course: Classic Children's

Literature

LaGrange • In-Person • Tuesdays, Oct 5 through Nov 30 • 1 pm
This course will explore examples of the best children's literature, including *Aesop's Fables*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Snow Queen*, and *The Wind in the Willows*. Join us as we watch the nine lectures in the series and discuss our own questions and insights afterward.

Nine weeks, nine 25-minute lectures. No prerequisites, non-credit.

Call 260-463-2841 x1030 to register.

Make-N-Take With Deb

LaGrange • In-Person • Wednesday, October 13 • 6 pm
Project: Fall Wreath/Candle Ring
We will use tulle, ribbon, and other embellishments to make a beautiful wreath that can also be used as a candle ring/centerpiece.
Cost is \$20 per person. Space is limited.
Reservation and \$10 deposit due by Wednesday, Oct. 6 at the LaGrange library.

Free Movie: Nosferatu

LaGrange • In-Person • Saturday, October 23 • 10 am
This highly influential silent horror film, an unauthorized adaptation of Bram Stoker's *Dracula*, introduced Max Schreck as perhaps the most genuinely disturbing incarnation of vampirism ever envisioned. Spooky mocktails and popcorn with garlic salt will be served.
This is a free program. This film is not rated. Ages 13+

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Ray & Ada Yoder of 2720S 900W, Topeka, correctly identified last issue's farm as being owned by **Dan & Sue Anna Miller, 4445N 750W, Shipshewana**. Congratulations! They won a 1 Year Subscription from The Connection, a lighted pen, a notepad set, and a copy of *The Honeyville Journal* from LaGwana Printing. Second prize went to **Mike & Emma Weaver, 6450S 400W, Topeka**. Third prize went to **Kenny & Martha Jones, 71470W 425N, Shipshewana**.



There were 12 correct entries this month. **Others that guessed correctly were:** Glenn & Ruth Yutzy, Richard & Esther Miller, Nathan & Susie Miller, Nelson & Doris Miller, Marlin & Marilyn Mullet, Jaron & Colleen Miller, Nate & Linda Yoder, Delbert Farmwald, David Lee & Mary Hershberger, Lonnie & JoAnn Bontrager, Lester & Marlene Mullett, and Amos & Eloise Bontrager.

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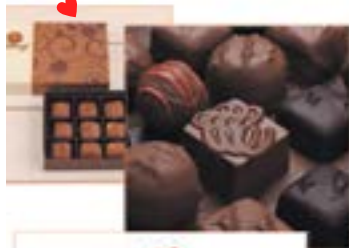
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**Additional 2nd and 3rd prizes will be awarded for every 50 entries over 100 received.*

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- 3) Entry deadline: **October 14, 2021**
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- 4) Winners will be drawn and prizes mailed.
- 5) Correct entries listed in our next issue!

October 16th! SWEETEST DAY



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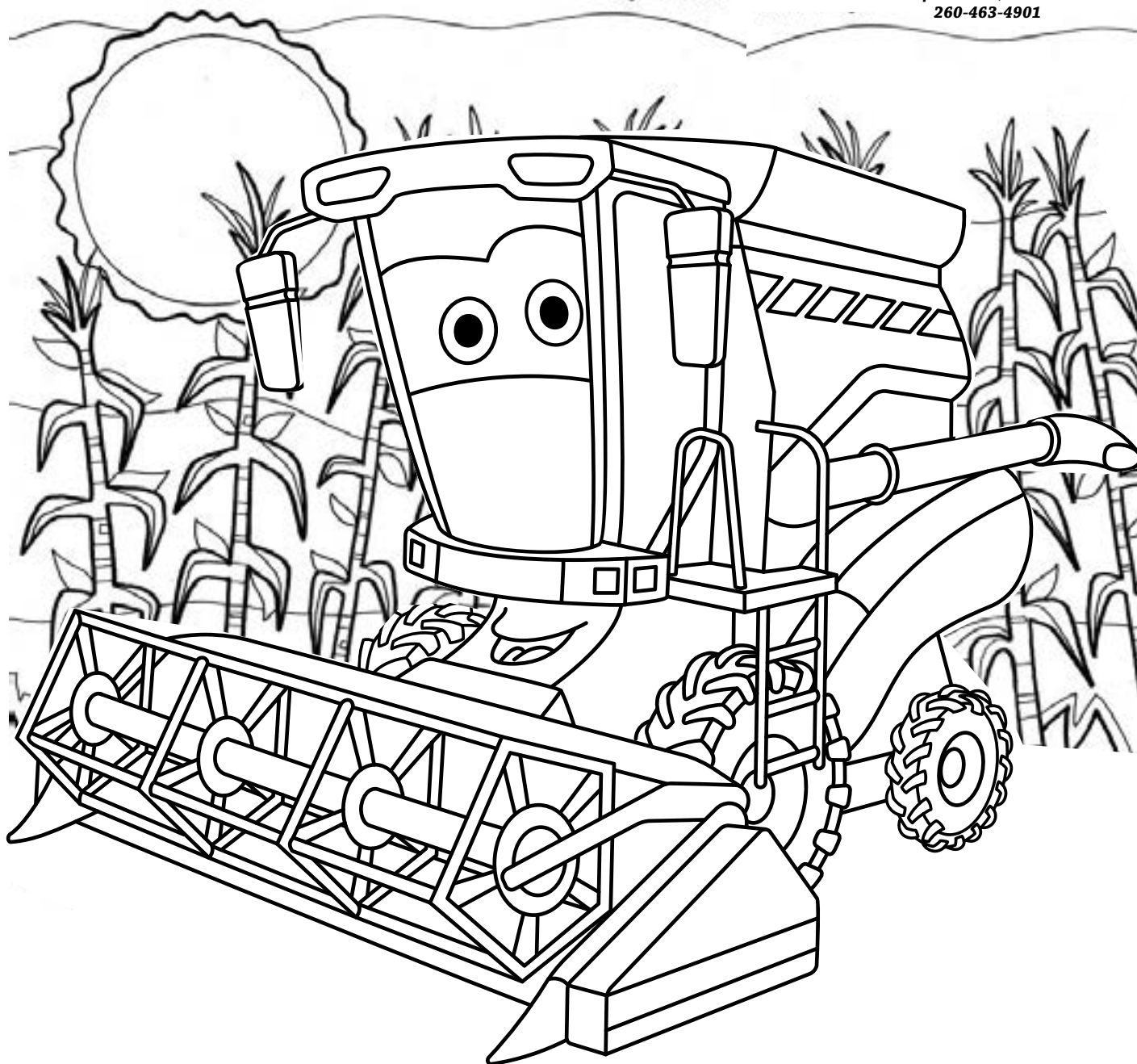
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Name: _____ Age: _____

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Address: _____

Smart Choices

By Megan Brelage, pharmacy student, Topeka Pharmacy

A Good Time to Self-Check Mental Health

When we are physically ill, we often go to the doctor, but when we are mentally not feeling like ourselves, we are quicker to ignore those thoughts. The last few years have been full of challenges and surprises, which had the potential to take a toll on our mental health. It is important to know how our mental health is affecting our well-being and impacting our thoughts, behaviors, and emotions. The two most common mental health conditions are depression and anxiety.

Depression

Feeling sad or depressed at times is a normal reaction to life. However, when those feelings of helplessness, hopelessness, and worthlessness last for weeks or more and begin to affect your everyday life, it may be the mood disorder, depression.

If you feel the following often, you may be experiencing depression:

- Little interest or pleasure in doing things.
- Feeling tired or having little energy.
- Feeling bad about yourself, that you are a failure, or have let yourself or others down.

There are several types of depression and symptoms vary. Everyone experiences depression differently. Genetic, biological, environmental, and psychological factors can all affect depression.

There are several ways to treat depression such as talk therapy, stress management, and medications. Seeking help from a doctor when symptoms first arise is a great first step and can prevent them from getting out of control.


Anxiety

Anxiety is a natural human reaction to stress and can be part of the body's fight or flight response. Anxiety disorders are mental health conditions in which a person feels overwhelmed by fear, nervousness, worry, or dread to the point that it affects their daily life and happiness.

Generalized anxiety is the most common. Symptoms can include excessive worrying that can feel overwhelming or out of control. Some physical symptoms can include chest pain, headaches, stomachaches, and vomiting.

Anxiety is treated with therapy focused on managing stress such as relaxation skills, breathing exercises, and sometimes medications. Seeking help will provide a healthier outlet for you to express your emotions.

If depression or anxiety leads to suicidal thoughts of self-harm, harm to others, or talking often about death, PLEASE call the free National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255 to get help. It is available 24/7, and all calls are confidential!

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Stroke Support Group

A major health event, such as a heart attack or stroke, can be a life-altering experience, and talking with other people who have been through the experience, too, can be very helpful in the aftermath.

To bring together stroke survivors and family members in a healing environment, Parkview Noble Hospital will sponsor a Stroke Support Group. Meetings will take place at the Community Learning Center, 401 E. Diamond St., Door 14, Room B (off Sheridan Street), in Kendallville. Regular meetings will take place on the third Tuesday of each month at 2:00 pm, except for December when there will be no meeting.

Linda Tritch, OTR, an occupational therapist in the Rehab Therapy department at Parkview Noble Hospital, will serve as the facilitator for the support group.

For the health and safety of all participants, social distancing and face masks are required, regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status. Masks must always cover the nose and mouth.

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Coloring Contest Winners

Six year old Janelle Diane Miller of 500 S, Topeka was our winner for the September Coloring Contest. She won an ice cream treat of choice at Tiffany's in Topeka.

Everyone else that sent in a page can stop by Tiffany's for a free small ice cream cone through October.

Runners-up were Seth Slabach, age 6; Adrian James Bontrager, age 5; Lavera Jean Hostetler, age 4; Jenna Kate Wagler, age 3. Honorable Mentions: Ava Eicher, age 6; Brookly, age 6; Alayna Lambright, age 6; Jay Dee Lambright, age 4; Aleisha Chapman, age 4; Regina Hochstetler, age 4. Check out page 12 for this month's coloring page.

Be SURE to include all your information on the coloring page, even your age! ... we don't want you to miss out! Remember, the contest is only for children up to six years old. 



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Three Reasons Why Americans are Financially Vulnerable

1 They have low levels of resources.

Due to decades of persistent poverty and widening inequality of income and wealth, many American families have very few resources to build on. The cycle of poverty continues as generation after generation struggle to get ahead—and the divide is wider for nonwhite families. Note that income and wealth are not the same. Income typically is thought of as money earned through work, while wealth is a person's net worth or the value of what they would own after paying off all their debts.

- Over 12% of Americans (41 million) and 18% of children live in poverty, with even higher poverty rates of racial and ethnic minorities.
- In 2016, the median wealth of upper-income families was seven times that of middle-income families and 75 times that of lower-income families.

2 They lack appropriate financial services.

More than a quarter of American households either lack access to basic financial services or use expensive and sometimes risky financial products such as payday loans. Many of these individuals have low income, are young or old, and identify as members of racial or ethnic minority groups.


- About 9 million households (7% of the population) are unbanked. They do not have a savings or checking account with a financial institution.
- Another 24.5 million households (20% of the population) are underbanked. They have an account but also use alternative financial services like payday loans, auto title loans, pawnshops and check cashing services.
- An estimated 26 million adults are "credit invisible," meaning they have no credit record. Another 19 million have an unscored credit record, limiting their access to favorable credit terms.

3 They have low financial literacy.

Despite the increasingly complex array of financial decisions faced by families, many Americans lack adequate knowledge and skills to manage their financial lives effectively, which can lead to short-term disruptions and long-term insecurity.

- A study using a simple measure of financial literacy found that U.S. adults, on average, could correctly answer only three of five basic financial literacy knowledge questions.
- One-quarter could not answer a basic question on interest rates, and 41% could not answer a simple question on inflation.
- Scores for financial well-being are lower among those who report lower levels of "financial know-how" and confidence.

At its core, financial education is about more than spending guidelines and credit scores. It is about making informed decisions that benefit oneself now and in the future.

How would you rate your financial knowledge on a scale of 1 to 10? 

Source: National Endowment for Financial Education Digest Spring 2018

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Meadowview Elementary Welcomes New Staff

Meadowview Elementary

Meadowview Elementary started the 2021-2022 school year with several new faces around the building! 



Maddison Yoder (Student Services Interventionist), Jessica Castle (Special Education Assistant), Katina Garrett (Special Education Assistant), and Lovina Kramer (Intervention Assistant). Photos submitted



Summer Grant (Third-Grade Teacher), Nicole Streby (Second-Grade Teacher), Marina Hoover (Third-Grade Teacher), and Ali Weaver (Student Teacher-Kindergarten).

Health Presentation

Topeka Elementary

McMillen Health presented a health lesson to Topeka's fourth-graders on September 1. The focus was on educating the students of the negative impacts



Trinity Antal, Jeryl Bontrager, and Spencer Vaughn helped with the presentation.


drugs and alcohol can have in your life. 



Evan Voris demonstrated how difficult tasks are when impaired by alcohol. Photos submitted



Touchpoints

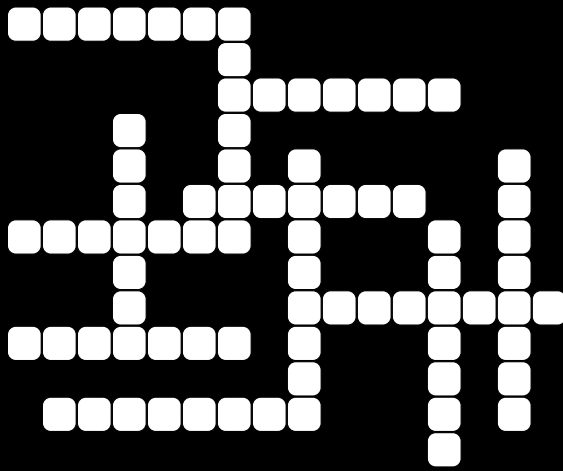
First-graders, Aaron Riehl and Kadence Jones, are working on adding touchpoints to numbers. Touchpoints are one of several strategies first-graders are taught as they learn to add larger numbers. 



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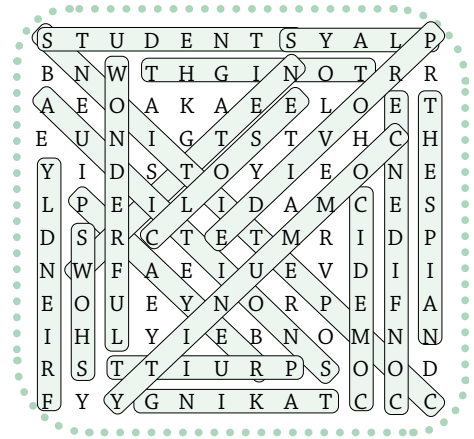
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Solution to Clueless
Crossword is on pg 36.
by Emily Vandevander

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Solution to puzzle on page 6



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25 Years or More

Leah Hostetler 1994

30 Years or More


Glen Bontrager 1991

Cheers to the people who make it happen year after year.



Shipshewana-Scott staff helped work the event.

Shipshe-Scott Elementary

Shipshewana-Scott Elementary had some fun at Camp Scottie. Families ate supper and then rotated to different stations, including a photo booth, yard games, a craft tent, storytelling, face painting, and making s'mores. All students were able to pick a brand-new book to take home as well.  (All photos submitted)



Students used stencils to paint a wooden craft.




Royce Yoder gets his face painted by one of several Westview High School volunteers.



Chloe Swanson shows off her Camp Scottie craft.



These students listen to Mr. Hart at the storytelling station.



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Topeka Elementary



Topeka Elementary kicked off the school year with the Topeka Fitness Classic on September 3.

Students played a variety of outdoor games as they worked together on teams. 📷 Photos submitted



Ready Set Go!



Field Trip!!!

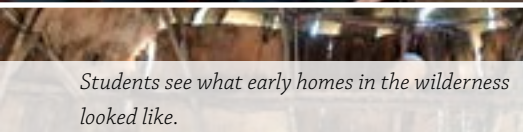
Fourth graders from Topeka Elementary recently visited Sauder Village in Archbold, OH. These students were able to see many different displays and re-enactments from early life in the Midwest. The students will expand on their encounters throughout the year as they study Indiana history. 📷



Hanging around outside, watching the world go by.



Did someone say ice cream?



Students see what early homes in the wilderness looked like.



Friends and ice cream? Can it get any better?



Students take some time to relax at the old soda fountain.



Students hang around outside on a city street.

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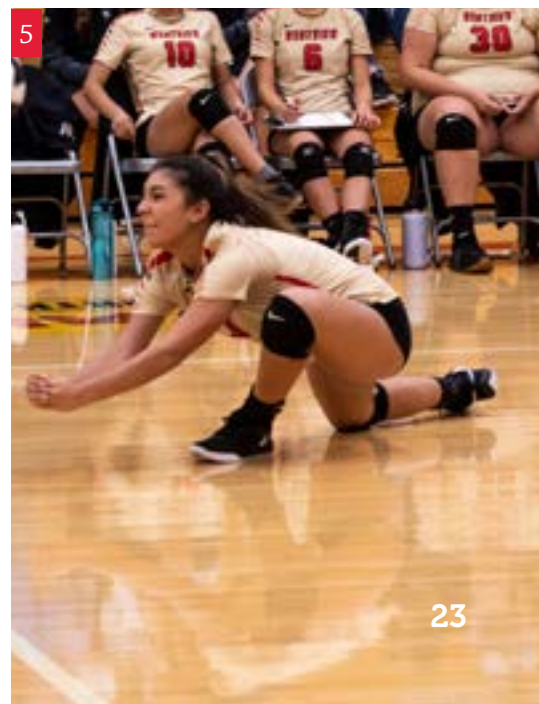
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- 1) Maria Miller's hit sends the ball back over the net.
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- 3) Maddison Penick serves to the Northridge court.
- 4) Lexi Warren keeps her eye on the ball.
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Westview High School's Applied Skills Program has recently opened a classroom store called **The Oakley's Squad Store**. This program consists of students from LaGrange County including Prairie Heights, Lakeland, and Westview. The mission of this student-led business is to help prepare students for a job in the future and find different employment interests.

Students brainstormed ideas on products they would like to make and sell. They decided to make custom greeting cards for all major occasions including holidays, birthdays, baby showers, sympathy, congratulations, and thank you's. They also decided on silicone bead lanyards and keychains. The lanyards are perfect for student/staff ID badges.

The skills that they have learned and continue to learn are teamwork, being organized, producing a neat product, completing tasks, time management, and following directions.

Greeting cards are \$3.00 each. Lanyards are \$10.00 each. Keychains are \$5.00.

When placing an order for a lanyard or keychain please be specific on string color (black or white) and the color scheme (i.e., brights or neutrals). When placing your order for a greeting card, be specific if it's for a male or female and specific details for the occasion (i.e., birthday, get well, etc.). Money needs to be dropped off at Westview High School (Attn: Stephanie Oakley) 1635 S. 600 W., Topeka, IN 46571, when the item(s) are picked up.

Checks can be made out to Westview High School.

Westview High School

OPEN for Business

Students have a scheduled time during the week to work on orders. Orders are taken in-person by students and staff, phone, email, or Google Forms.

Each student filled out an application for the classroom store based upon their desired job interest. Mrs. Oakley, the classroom teacher, held interviews with each student and offered jobs to everyone based on their

needs and abilities. Once a card, lanyard, and/or keychain are completed and checked by an Applied Skills staff member, students are responsible for packaging product(s) and writing a personal thank you note. Products are delivered to customers on Thursdays while students are out on Community Based Instruction (CBI).

The Oakley's Squad Store

will be open during the 2021-2022 school year and would love your business. Show your support for this small classroom business by placing your order. Orders can be placed by calling Mrs. Oakley's classroom at (260) 535-0312 or email at oakleys@westview.k12.in.us.

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- Storytime crafts

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Limited space is available for each time. We are taking reservations by the van or buggy load, not individuals, so fill up your vehicle with friends! The afternoon program will have nothing "spooky" in the woods. The evening program will have "sort of spooky" things in the woods but nothing will approach or jump out. The Headless Horsemen may make an appearance!

MONTHLY

Make-n-Take Crafts

Saturday, October 9,

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Maple Wood Nature Center

Leaf Rubbing Greeting Cards

Make a card for a special someone or work on a leaf identification project. Come any time and stay as long as you want.

Maple Wood Fiber Guild

Wednesday, October 13,

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Maple Wood Nature Center

Open to anyone and any kind of fiber art! Bring a project to work on. Bring your own sack lunch and snacks. Donations for the Parks are appreciated.

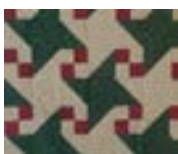
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Quilt Class

Saturday, October 16,

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Maple Wood Nature Center



"Milky Way"

In the construction process, you do not make any stars, but when you

sew the rows together you will see the friendship stars. This could be scrappy or two colors. Please bring a dish to share for the potluck lunch. Registration is required. Instructions are provided upon registration.

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Call instructors *Julia Wolhuter* 260-367-1449 or *Ira Johnson* 260-367-1438 for information.

Folk Jam

Sunday, October 24,

1:30 - 5:00 pm

Maple Wood Nature Center

Jams are mostly folk, country, and bluegrass music, with other styles occasionally added. Coffee served, bring your own snacks.

For more information, contact *Erv Troyer*, at 260-463-2247 or reo43@aol.com.

Sewing Group

Wednesday, October 27,

9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Maple Wood Nature Center

What is a UFO? If you answered an unfinished object, this is the perfect sewing group for you! Open to anyone! Bring your sewing machine. Get help and direction with a project, share ideas with others, and make new friends. Please bring a sack lunch and your own snacks. Please bring a \$5.00 donation for LaGrange County Parks.

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Open House!!!!

The staff of Meadowview takes some time during the open house to come together for a quick picture. 

Meadowview Elementary



Did Someone Say Float Party?

The staff at Meadowview take some time to enjoy a root beer float party.  *Photos submitted*



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- 1) Kendall Schwartz returns a short volley with his Fremont opponent.
- 2) Isaac Rogers delivers a powerful serve to the opposing court.
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- 4) Cole Mast delivers a back hand return.
- 5) Elijah Hostetler returns a serve to the Fremont court.

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SOME WERE PEOPLE OF COLOR

by Harold D. Gingerich

Let us be honest. When we think about the people who settled the communities of Shipshewana and Topeka in the 1830s, it probably never enters our minds that some of them might have been people of color. Andrea Sowle, writing for *IndianaHistory.org*, 'Early Black Settlements by County', noted that according to census records, which are taken every ten years, indicate that from 1840 through 1870, there were twenty-five or fewer African Americans living in LaGrange County. Notable among them were Lucius W.

Phillips and John Draper.

John Draper's name appears in the 1882 *History of LaGrange County, Indiana* (page 437) with ties to William A. Poynter and Newberry Township. "William A. Poynter was born in Ohio, July 30, 1836. His parents, Alexander W., and Nancy (Whitley) Poynter left Ohio for this county when William was but three weeks old. They made the journey over land and reached Newberry Township in November, locating in Section 13, where Mr. Poynter had previously entered 160 acres of land. He was assisted in clearing by John

Draper, a colored boy, who accompanied them to this State, and is now residing in Lima."

William A. Poynter married Elizabeth Schermerhorn (1838-1922) on December 6, 1860. They are buried in the Miller Cemetery near Shipshewana, Indiana.

What was John Draper's connection with the Poynter family? Was he a slave, a runaway, or was he born free? Why did he come to LaGrange County with them? We simply do not know the answers to those

questions. What we do know is that the 1870 census shows him living in the Lima (Howe) area with a family and owning real estate. As of this writing, we know very little about him or his descendants. However, John Draper, who was born about 1821, may have been the first person of color to live in Newberry Township and LaGrange County.



Elizabeth Schermerhorn

There is much more information about Lucius William Phillips (1811-1870). Lucius was born in Connecticut according to his *Find a Grave* page, but we do not know when he came



to LaGrange County or why. The first record of Phillips is of his marriage to Lucinda Todd (1821-1876) on March 28, 1845. The 1850 census records the family living on, and owning, a small farm valued at \$800 in section 24 of "Clear Spring" Township near the Little Elkhart River. The farm was also near that of Lucinda's father, Joseph Todd.

Geoffry Trowbridge, in a November 11, 2007, post (Lucius' Heritage), shared some interesting information about Lucius Phillips. "According to Faith Gavaldon, Lucius was part Native American of the Pequot tribe and part African American. The name "Phillips" may imply a lineage from "King Philip" Metacomet of the Wampanoag/Narragansett, whose descendants married into the Pequot tribes. He consistently is shown to have been born in Connecticut. The 1840 census lists Lucius Phillips, age 20-29, living alone in Portage County, OH. He is enumerated as a "free white person."

The census records from 1850, 1860, and 1870 vary when it comes to ethnicity and race. The 1850 census lists the family as being "mulatto." No race was given in the 1860 census. The 1870 census records Lucius as being "black" and Lucinda and the nine children as "mulatto." These variations in terms give rise to several fascinating questions. With Civil War looming on the horizon, was there a political reason no race was given in the 1860 census? Why were they listed as "Black" and not "Negro" in the 1870 census? Did the Drapers and the Phillips endure prejudice and racism from neighbors and fellow settlers because of apparent mixed marriages?

Lucius died in 1870. Lu-

cinda's name appears as being the property owner on the 1874 township map. She passed away on April 24, 1876. Lucius and Lucinda would have thirteen children in their twenty-five years of marriage. There is a limited amount of information on the *Find a Grave* website about the Phillips children. Their daughter, Mary J. "Jennie" (1854-1906), married Charles S. Messick on April 24, 1875. Was Messick Lake named after Charles' family? Mary J. Phillip Messick died on November 23, 1906. She is buried near her parents in the Sloan Cemetery east of Topeka. Their son, John Francis Phillips (1868-1930), married Mary Elizabeth Born on January 24, 1891. John Francis is buried in Big Bay Cemetery in Marquette County, Michigan.

Among the early settlers of color




John Francis Phillips



1874 Plat Map

were two men who served as officers in the Civil War. They were Ichabod S. Jones and Joseph R. Webster. The 1882 *History of LaGrange County* (pages 102, 103, 218) lists them as "black soldiers." Ichabod Jones was reported to be a

Major in the 1st Tennessee Artillery and Joseph Webster a Lt. Colonel with the 44th U.S. Colored Troops. However, black regiments typically had white officers. That leaves us to wonder if Jones and Webster were black.

LaGrange County was established in 1832. Andrea Sowle made this observation, "It is interesting to note that during this period (1840 through 1870) that the county (LaGrange) had a higher number of African Americans born in the New England states than any other northern Indiana county." 

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By Harold D. Gingerich



“If somebody built it—I can figure it out and fix it!” is Sam Miller’s motto. And figure out and fix things he has. That is why satisfied customers keep bringing their cars and trucks to Frontline Auto Tech in Shipshewana. Conveniently located at 955 E. North Village Drive, Sam and his staff are specialists in computer diagnostics, diesel and gas engines, brakes, and transmission repairs.

Raised in an Amish home, Sam started working on small engines in his father Jake’s shop. “I grew up in the shop. Dad was a small engine mechanic,” Sam remembers with a smile, “so I started repairing stuff when I was a little boy.” Whether it was working on engines or welding broken parts,

Sam learned the repair business at his father’s side.

In his early twenties, Sam started to, as he says, “wrench on my own” as a side job. Sometime later he went to work for Car Quest in Lagrange as their machinist, working there for two and a half years. Working as a machinist, his job was to bore engine blocks and rebuild engine heads. Through it all, he continued to do side work at home. For several years he was the diesel mechanic for Pallet One before going back to work in an RV factory. “I went home and did this (engine repair) work—always to someday build this business,” Sam said.

In 2006, Frontline Auto Tech officially came into being. When asked

about how he came up with a name for the business Miller said, “The name came from the thought of working on the frontline—putting yourself out there and working for the public.” He was quick to add that it was one thing to operate a repair shop out of your home, but quite another to step out in faith with a full-time business as your primary source of income. Initially, Sam was working out of his two-bay garage at the family’s home, but his dream was always to move the business into Shipshewana.

Miller’s hard work was rewarded in the Fall of 2011 when the opportunity came to purchase the property at their present location. “There was a small building here and we were able to add

on to it, building the business to what you see today," Sam noted.

Today many of their customers are from the business sector. "We are all about service and we have a lot of businesses and construction companies that bring us their trucks. We try to service them well because we know that keeping their trucks on the road is vital to their business," Miller said. "So, when a truck comes in for service, we check it over to try and make sure it doesn't breakdown on the road." He went on to say that whenever a vehicle comes through their doors, they try to service it as if it were their own.

"Nobody likes it when their vehicle doesn't start or makes a weird noise. My thing is, especially since we do a lot of work for construction companies like Freedom Builders, to teach my guys that when that truck comes in for an oil change you need to look it over,


check the brakes—you don't have to take them apart but educate yourself to the little things that stand out when something isn't right. We want that truck to be functional for the next 5,000 miles."

Customer service is a byword for Sam and his staff at Frontline Auto. They specialize in major engine overhauls and repairs. They also rebuild transmissions right in their shop. "Our motto has been, 'we're here to serve the community,' Sam says, "that means educating ourselves so that we can do as much of the work as possible in the shop and keep it local."

When asked about the biggest changes that have come in the industry, Miller did not hesitate with his answer. "The electrical (systems) and the electronics part has evolved more than anything else."

Sam and his wife Dorothy attend

First Baptist Church in Elkhart and have been married for over 30 years. They have three children, two boys and a girl. Their oldest son lives in LaGrange and manages Ace Hardware. James, their second son, is Sam's lead mechanic at Frontline. Their daughter is married and lives in Fort Wayne. While they have no grandchildren yet, Sam and Dorothy remain hopeful.

If you are looking to have your car or truck serviced, the engine needs an overhaul, or if the transmission is giving you problems, give Frontline Auto Tech a call at (260) 768-3095. You can find them on Facebook. Better yet, stop in at their shop on North Village Dr. in Shipshewana and introduce yourself to Sam. 

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