

Madison-Grant Transportation Coordinator's primary role:

Getting kids safely to and from school

By Cathy Shouse

Wednesday August 6 ushered in the first day of school for Madison-Grant United School Corporation students. Kristy Drewitz, Transportation Coordinator, had a special job, as she planned a smooth transition for the many school children who ended their summer break by climbing onto school buses.



Joe Solms is a new bus driver for M-G and will be driving bus 10.

"We have roughly 700 kids that are assigned to a bus route," Drewitz said. "Our drivers also help transport students to vocational programs, athletic events, and field trips. Our district covers 175 square miles, and we get students in our district picked up with just 16 bus routes."

It was far from Drewitz's first time coordinating the buses on the first day. She's worked at the school for almost 23 years, and transportation has been her primary responsibility for 15 years.

It might seem that the bus routes would stay the same, but students

are continually coming in and out of the bus system. Kindergarteners come on board and some students get their drivers licenses, among many other changes that occur.

"Our routes are continuously updated as student demographics and ridership changes," she said. "A driver will generally stay in the same basic area but we may add or shift stops to try

"With driver shortages, I have found myself behind the wheel covering routes more often than not. 2025-26 is the first school year since 2020-21 that I have not been behind the wheel of a bus running a route on the first day of school. However, being on a bus with our students is my favorite part of being a Transportation Director."

With some students experiencing excitement and maybe some nerves, those early days on the buses can be especially important.

"The first few days can be a bit bumpy! We had a kindergartner initially get on the wrong shuttle bus that first day. The shuttle driver noticed it and we got her transferred to the right bus. On day two, the little gal got off the bus and excitedly told her mom, "They put me on the right bus today!"

Some new faces may have been added to the driver list. However, they are community members that will continue the feeling of being almost family among the tight-knit group of drivers.

"Even in a small district, transportation can get very complex. We have the absolute BEST group of drivers that care about the students on their routes," the director said. "The drivers offer valuable insight and truly make my job easier. I appreciate them!"

"Joe Solms will be driving bus 10," Drewitz said. "Joe



Friday, August 8 in the afternoon, Kristy Drewitz, MG Transportation Coordinator for 15+ years, works at the buses.

is a former school board member. Rodney Poe will be driving bus 9 and has grandchildren that attend Summitville Elementary. Ms. Kaycee Stover, a former M-G graduate, will be driving bus 13."

Drewitz herself is deeply involved in the fabric of the community. "All my children attended Madison-Grant and now I have grandchildren in our school system. My husband, Jason, is retired from the Air Force and we enjoy traveling and outdoor adventures."

With her longevity

in her position at the school, she's very aware of how the time flies. When students check out from the bus system, they often will begin driving. It's a tradition for seniors to decorate their parking spots.

"I usually take a walk during lunch and love to see the creativity of the decorated senior parking spots," she said. "It puts time into perspective when I see a student's name on a parking spot and realize I assigned a bus to them as a kindergartner and now they are a senior."



Kaycee Stover will be driving bus 13 for M-G and is a graduate of the school.



Rodney Poe is driving an M-G bus, number 9, for his first route.

Statements from Lt. Gov. Micah Beckwith and ISDA Director Lamb on USDA hub announcement

INDIANAPOLIS — The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Brooke Rollins announced a multi-month reorganization plan for USDA to bring the agency's core functions closer to their constituents. As part of this process, Indianapolis was selected as one of the five hubs for staff relocations.

"I'm thrilled the USDA chose Indianapolis as one of its five hubs," Lieutenant Governor Micah Beckwith said. "Having services and decision-makers in the Hoosier state naturally gives our rural communities an advantage in agricultural innovation."

Director Lamb made the following comments after the announcement:

"I had the pleasure of meeting with Secretary Rollins a few weeks ago regarding the potential USDA reorganization and was proud to represent Indiana alongside my fellow Hoosier agriculture leaders and Senator Jim Banks.

The announcement is a big win for Indiana agriculture and for our farmers who utilize USDA services each day. Home to Corteva Agriscience, Elanco Animal Health and Beck's Hybrids, Indiana has dozens of large and small agribusinesses and research universities, like Purdue University, that maintain the mission of feeding our world and conserving our natural resources.

Indiana is an agriculture powerhouse, and we know this relocation will only strengthen our industry."

The reorganization consists of four pillars:

Ensure the size of USDA's workforce aligns with available financial resources and agricultural priorities

Bring USDA closer to its customers

Eliminate management layers and bureaucracy

Consolidate redundant support functions

USDA's five hub locations are:

Raleigh, North Carolina
Kansas City, Missouri
Indianapolis, Indiana
Fort Collins, Colorado
Salt Lake City, Utah
To view the full release, visit [usda.gov](https://www.usda.gov).

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Living...in a troubled world

Prayer enhances love

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I once read an African proverb that said, “Even an old hen raises its head to heaven when it swallows its grain.” I’m wondering, do we take too many blessings for granted? Recently, while studying the book of Revelation, I suddenly realized when my heart cries for God (expresses great love), feelings of gratitude seem to grow. It’s like praise enhances love.

In the Bible, created beings praise Him for two things: because he is the Creator and because Jesus was slain for our redemption.

Have you ever loved someone so much that you struggled to put your feelings into mere words? The closest thing we can come up with is, “I love you SO much”. Or, when someone does something really nice for us, the most we can say is: “I just can’t thank you enough”. Somehow, we have no words to express our deepest gratitude to another person.

In the history of the United States we read where George Washington was immensely popular after the Revolutionary war. Everyone was ready for him to be king or dictator. He could have taken any title he wanted, but instead he chose to share his glory and go a different route that involved a democracy that gave all the people a voice. That was his way of showing gratitude for freedom. He had the political backing to be a dictator, but he chose to show his thankfulness by sharing his glory.

From what I understand in scripture, Jesus actually wants to share His glory with us, too. He has already won the victory for Himself, but He wants to share His glory by making us



rulers as well. That’s what Revelation 5: 9-10 says: He has made us kings and priest.

In Revelation 4, heavenly beings sing with great devotion and adoration to God as their voices ring in unison, “You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power. For YOU CREATED all things. And, by Your will, they were created and have their being (Rev: 4:11). These beings sing this over and over and over.

The next scene unfolds as another song of devotion is being sung: “You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because You were slain, and with Your blood You

purchased men for God - from every tribe and language and people and nation. You made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth” (Rev. 5 9-10).

What a wonderful thing to praise God for: Because He created us. Because He was slain for us. Because He has a future plan for us. We often hear how far gratitude takes us toward a better life on earth. The same is true with God. Praise enhances love – love that goes both ways. God to you and you to God. Praise is like a sponge dipped in warm water. ...it swells and swells until the heart is filled with love.

Heroes without capes or superpowers

By Dr. Billy Holland

We hear a lot about heroes these days. Accomplished athletes are admired as idols for throwing around a ball, while actors in blockbuster movies portray individuals who can fly and use their incredible powers to save the universe. However, in the real world, it’s encouraging to know there are humble and hardly noticed genuine heroes all around us. Without a desire to be praised or even recognized, there are selfless good Samaritans who are willing to sacrifice their lives so that others can live, a testament to John 15:13. The following story is an example of these heavenly secret agents.

Irena Sendler was a Polish nurse and social worker who worked in the Warsaw health department during World War II. In a short window of time

between 1942 and 1943, she, along with a small band of co-workers, led a courageous effort within the Warsaw ghetto to secretly smuggle at least 2,500 Jewish babies and children away from facing the certainty of the German concentration camps. She and her small team of helpers were members of Żegota, an underground organization established in 1940 by the Polish government for the purpose of rescuing Polish Jews. The team was given permission by the Nazis to enter the ghetto to help segregate the city’s 380,000 Jews, and this was the window of opportunity that helped with the dangerous undercover plan to secretly smuggle babies and young children to safety.

The Żegota used every idea possible to rescue the innocent,

which included hiding them in toolboxes and under gurneys, sneaking them into ambulances, taking them through sewer pipes or other underground passageways, wheeling them out in suitcases, and leading them out through an old courtyard which led to the non-Jewish areas. Irena carefully recorded the names of the children on cigarette papers and sealed them in glass bottles, which she buried in a colleague’s flower garden. After the war, the jars were dug up and the lists handed over to Jewish representatives. Attempts were made to reunite the children with their families, but sadly, most of the parents had perished in the Treblinka death camp.

Irena was arrested in October 1943 and taken to Gestapo headquarters where she was interrogated to

surrender information about the leaders of Żegota. She endured severe beatings which included her legs and feet being broken. With orders to be executed, (with what many consider to be a miracle from Heaven), a secret deal was made at the last minute between Żegota and her would-be executioner, and she was released. Irena was later found unconscious along the side of the road and had to use crutches for the rest of her life as a result of her injuries.

One of the 2500 names placed in the jars was Michal Glowinski, who became a professor of literature. He said, “I fondly think about her and owe my life to her.” Elzbieta Ficowska was another name who came forward to say how eternally grateful she was for the heroic actions of the Żegota team. In her case, she had been smuggled out

of the ghetto inside a large toolbox when she was just five months old.

Unlike the German industrialist Oskar Schindler, who saved more than 1,000 Jews by employing them at his Krakow factory and is widely recognized thanks to an award-winning book and film, Mrs. Sendler’s story remained relatively unknown until a few years ago when it was discovered in America by a group of Kansas school children who wrote a play about it called “Life in a Jar.” Word spread very quickly, and now the world is aware of her and her team saving many defenseless victims of the Nazi ideology. When interviewed, Irena sternly insisted she did nothing special and is quoted as saying, “I was brought up to believe that a person must be rescued when drowning, regardless of religion

and nationality. The thought of being considered a hero irritates me greatly as I continue to have pangs within my conscience that I did so little. My emotions are overshadowed by the fact that my faithful co-workers, who also constantly risked their lives, did not live long enough to share their sorrow for those they could not save.” She spent her last years in a Warsaw nursing home and passed away in 2008. “Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others” Philippians 2:3-4.

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Farewell to the flesh

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The house was deserted and devoid of life. The front door was cracked open, the once-attractive exterior color had retired to a glum grayish-brown, and the silence of death packed the halls. The bubbling tide washed this abandoned residence right up to my feet—it was a suntanned shell, formerly occupied by a hermit crab that vacated it during

molting. There comes a moment in every hermit crab’s life when they must depart their old shell in search of a new one. These ten-legged crustaceans do not typically die when they surrender their obsolete housing to the ocean—they simply move on and move into an upgraded version.

The time will come when every Christian must say goodbye to the shell of their old flesh as well. The body is merely a temporary residence and the tide

of death will bury your mortal frame six feet beneath a headstone. But the real you—your soul, that is—will live on. If you believe that the death of Christ was the deathblow to death, the earthen vessel of your body is all that truly dies (cf. John 11:25). You will bid adieu to your old shell and live in the eternal presence of the Author of life (Phil. 1:23), and the Lord shall grant you a new and improved body when He returns: “[Jesus] will transform our lowly

body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself” (Phil. 3:21).

A believer’s death, therefore, is not the end. It is simply the end of living in the fragile shell of the flesh. “For we know,” promised Paul, “that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly

dwelling” (2 Cor. 5:1-2). And the new shell will be unlike anything you have ever known before: “Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality” (1 Cor.

15:51-53).

A now-omitted stanza in the cherished hymn *Sweet Hour of Prayer*, written by William W. Walford (1772-1850), puts it splendidly:

“May I thy consolation share,

Till, from Mount Pisgah’s lofty height,

I view my home and take my flight:

This robe of flesh I’ll drop and rise

To seize the ever-lasting prize.”

(Here’s one from a few years ago that I just needed to share again)

Next week I’m going on my annual trip to Missouri. I’ve been hunting deer there for years and have some wonderful friends there.

My memories are many. I think about everything from the times of extreme weather (one time I hunted without a shirt) to trying to find my lost deer with a famous deer dog, that happened to be a dachshund.

I can remember seeing some monster bucks just out of range and missing some within range. But no matter what the past held; I still look forward to going back each year.

My present

memory, however, is one of only a couple of years ago. I was a few weeks away from knee surgery to repair a torn meniscus.

My memory is of constant pain, especially as I walked to and from my tree stand. Even though the walks were not long, the effort it took to make them seemed especially difficult and slow. As I made those trips each day, I was always reminded of a title to a book I saw one time. It was called “Leading With A Limp.” And while I never read that book (I probably should) I imagined a plethora of subjects the author might be trying to convey.

Here’s what leading with a limp means to me.

It means every

leader is imperfect. We have difficulties, inabilities, failures, discouragements, disappointments, and insecurities. And while none of these stop us, they cripple us enough to cause us to lean on something we could not do without.

They also humble us, making us realize

the possibility of any success comes from places beyond ourselves. Limping leadership also slows us done in order to make sure we never outpace those we are called to lead. After all, leaders are only leaders if they have followers. And Limping leaders love more because we

become more patient and understanding with everyone else’s disability. Our example of this kind of leadership in the New Testament is Paul. He had a limp and asked God to take it away. God didn’t for some of the same reasons I mention above. Here’s how Paul recalls his prayer.

Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships,

in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong. (2 Corinth 12:8-10 NIV)

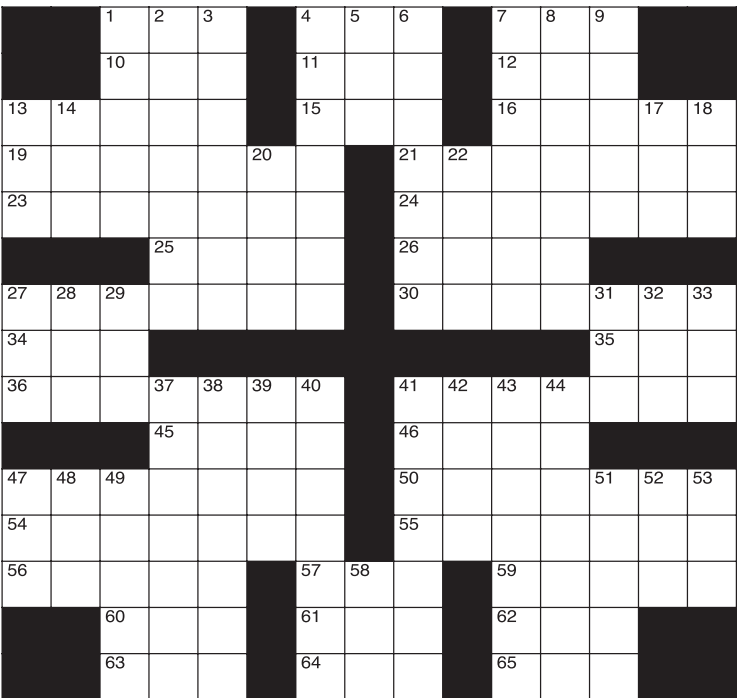
It is believed Paul wrote most of the New Testament. He did it with a limp. That means your limp does not disqualify you. It is the most important part of your resume.

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Crossword Puzzle



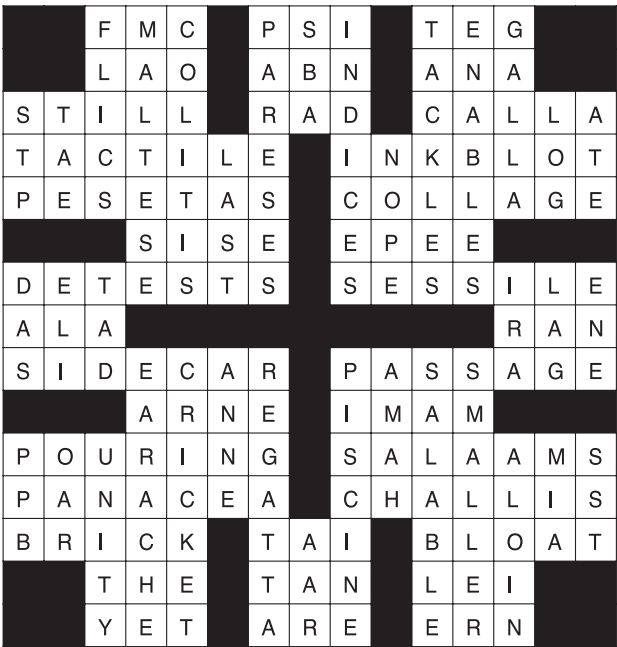
CLUES ACROSS

1. Auto manufacturer
4. The 23rd letter of the Greek alphabet
7. Two-year-old sheep
10. Member of indigenous people in Asia
11. Airborne (abbr.)
12. Actress de Armas
13. Not moving
15. Cool!
16. Plants of the arum family
19. Perceptible by touch
21. Rorschach test
23. Monetary units
24. Art
25. Cardinal number
26. Dueling sword
27. Hates
30. Fixed in one place
34. Pie __ mode
35. Moved on foot
36. Passenger’s spot on a motorcycle
41. A way through
45. “Rule, Britannia” composer
46. Leader
47. Flowing
50. Common greetings in Arabic countries
54. Solution for all difficulties
55. Soft clothing fabric
56. Building material
57. Sea bream
59. A way to cause to be swollen
60. One and only
61. Skin color
62. Wreath
63. Nevertheless
64. They __
65. Sea eagle

CLUES DOWN

1. Policemen (French)
2. Toy dog
3. Inflamed colon disease
4. Muscular weaknesses
5. Helps little firms
6. References
7. Takes down
8. Facilitates
9. One-time empress of the Roman Empire
13. Engine additive
14. Chemistry solution
17. Written account
18. Consumed
20. Coming after all others
22. No (slang)
27. Government lawyers
28. Super Bowl winner Manning
29. Small amount
31. A way to save for your future
32. A way to travel behind
33. Midway between northeast and east
37. Head pain
38. Loud lawn insect
39. Actress Hathaway
40. Boat race
41. About fish
42. Nursemaid in India
43. Marketable
44. Tinier
47. Parts per billion (abbr.)
48. Paddle
49. Oneness
51. Bitter compound
52. Not around
53. Very fast airplane
58. Swiss river

PUZZLE SOLUTION



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Word Search

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WORD SEARCH

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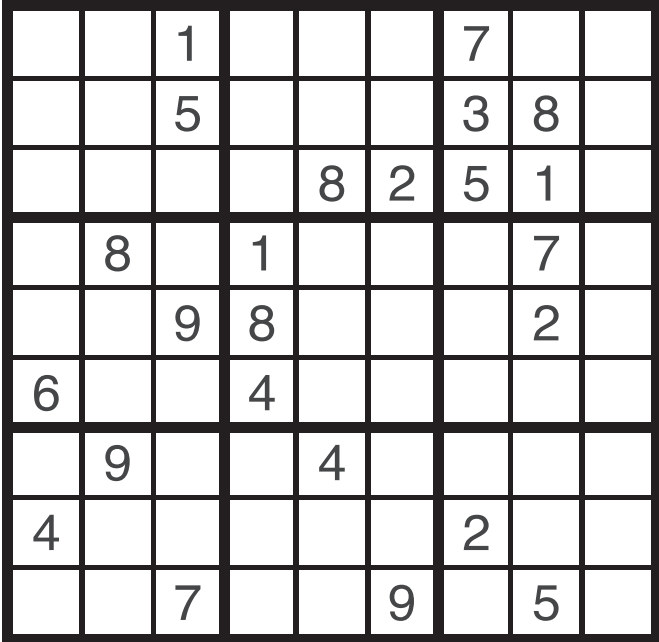
Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

Answers on Classified Page

Sudoku Puzzle

How it Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle! Good Luck! **Answers on Classified Page.**



Word Scramble

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to family fun.

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Answer: Beach

Guess Who?

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I am a model born in England on August 12, 1992. Through the years I have served as the face of Burberry, Chanel, Moschino, Stella McCartney, and more. My career also has included various acting gigs, including a recent role on an Amazon television series.

Answer: Cara Delevingne



Linda J. Parker

KOKOMO Linda J. Parker, 72, of Kokomo, passed away at 10:40 pm, Wednesday, August 6, 2025, at Community Howard Regional Hospital in Kokomo.

A funeral service was held on Monday, August 11, 2025, at Shirley & Stout Funeral Homes & Crematory – Jefferson Street, 414 W. Jefferson St. Kokomo, IN 46901. Burial at Crown Point Cemetery.

Messages of condolence may be left at www.shirleyandstout.com

Eric Todd Knight

KOKOMO — Eric Todd Knight, 60, of Kokomo, passed away on Thursday, August 7, 2025.

A memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 15, 2025, at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, 4439 E 406 S, Hemlock, IN, with Pastor Steve Gollner officiating. Burial will follow in South Union Cemetery.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 14, 2025, at the church.

Messages of condolence may be left online at www.shirleyandstout.com

Connie Jo Oyler

MARION — Connie Jo Oyler, age 72, of Marion, Indiana, passed away peacefully on August 9, 2025, surrounded by her beloved family.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, August 14, 2025, from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m at the College Park Chapel of Armes-Hunt Life Celebration Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 4601 South Western Avenue, Marion, Indiana 46953 with Pastor Steve Armes officiating.

Entombment will take place at Gardens of Memory, Marion, Indiana.

Online memories and condolences may be shared at www.armeshuntfuneralhome.com

Kathryn J. “Kathy” Walters

MARION — Kathryn J. “Kathy” Walters, 66, of Marion, Indiana, passed away on August 7, 2025, in her Marion home.

Kathy was a United States Air Force veteran.

The visitation will be held on August 18, 2025, from 4pm-7pm in Owen-Weilert-Duncan Funeral Home, Marion Chapel, 2722 South Washington Street, Marion, Indiana.

The funeral will be held on August 19, 2025, at 11am with Rev. Gary Ashbrooke officiating. Interment with military honors will follow in Marion National Cemetery, 1700 East 38th Street, Marion, Indiana.

Willie B. Woods

MARION — Willie B. Woods, age 74, of Marion, passed away on Saturday August 9, 2025, at his home surrounded by his loving family.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memories may be shared online at www.nswcares.com

Robert E. Stewart II

HARTFORD CITY — Robert E. Stewart II, age 80, of Hartford City, IN, passed away at 11:25 AM on Thursday, August 7, 2025, at The Waters of Hartford City in Hartford City, IN.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier, IN, on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

A service to celebrate his life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 11:00 AM on Thursday, August 14, 2025, with Minister Steve Lakie officiating; viewing will be held one hour before the service starting at 10:00 AM. Interment will follow at 1:00 PM in the Gardens of Memory, Muncie, IN.

Nathaniel E.N. Wickey

BRYANT — Nathaniel E.N. Wickey, 15 days old, of Bryant, Indiana, passed away on August 8, 2025 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, August 9, 2025, at the family’s home, 8737 N. 450 E., Bryant, with Bishop Jonas Neuenschwander officiating. Burial at Bear Creek Amish Cemetery.

Jay A. Winger

AVILLA — Jay A. Winger, 64, of Avilla, Indiana, passed away at 9:06 p.m. on Saturday, August 9, 2025, at Parkview Regional Hospital in Fort Wayne.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, 228 N. Main St., Avilla, on Saturday, August 16, 2025, at 11:00 am, with Father Dave Voors officiating. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am. Burial will follow at Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier, Indiana.

Barbara J. Brown

MARION — Barbara J. Brown, 91, of Marion, Indiana, passed away peacefully in her home at 3:00 pm on Saturday, August 9, 2025.

A celebration of life at the Marion-Grant County Senior Center will take place at a later date.

Memories and condolences may be shared online at www.nswcares.com

Steve Wolf

MARION — Steve Wolf, 60, of Marion, Indiana, completed his tour of duty in this life on August 6, 2025.

Steve was a United States Air Force veteran.

A celebration of life was held on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at Grace Community Church, 1810 E. Bradford Pike, Marion, IN with Chaplain Mark Bardsley and Pastor Devin Miller officiating.

Memories may be shared online at www.nswcares.com

Sheryl A. “Sherry” Culbertson

MARION — Sheryl A. “Sherry” Culbertson, 66, of Marion, passed away at 3:53 am on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, in her home.

A memorial visitation to celebrate Sherry’s life will be held from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Thursday, August 14, 2025, at Needham Storey Wampner Funeral and Cremation Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion, IN 46952.

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Our deepest condolences to those who have lost loved ones.
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of time between 1942 and 1943, she, along with a small band of co-workers, led a courageous effort within the Warsaw ghetto to secretly smuggle at least 2,500 Jewish babies and children away from facing the certainty of the German concentration camps. She and her small team of helpers were members of Żegota, an underground organization established in 1940 by the Polish government for the purpose of rescuing Polish Jews. The team was given permission by the Nazis to enter the ghetto to help segregate the city’s 380,000 Jews, and this was the window of opportunity that helped with the dangerous undercover plan to secretly smuggle babies and young children to safety.

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them in toolboxes and under gurneys, sneaking them into ambulances, taking them through sewer pipes or other underground passageways, wheeling them out in suitcases, and leading them out through an old courtyard which led to the non-Jewish areas. Irena carefully recorded the names of the children on cigarette papers and sealed them in glass bottles, which she buried in a colleague’s flower garden. After the war, the jars were dug up and the lists handed over to Jewish representatives. Attempts were made to reunite the children with their families, but sadly, most of the parents had perished in the Treblinka death camp.

Irena was arrested in October 1943 and taken to Gestapo headquarters where she was interrogated to surrender

information about the leaders of Żegota. She endured severe beatings which included her legs and feet being broken. With orders to be executed, (with what many consider to be a miracle from Heaven), a secret deal was made at the last minute between Żegota and her would-be executioner, and she was released. Irena was later found unconscious along the side of the road and had to use crutches for the rest of her life as a result of her injuries.

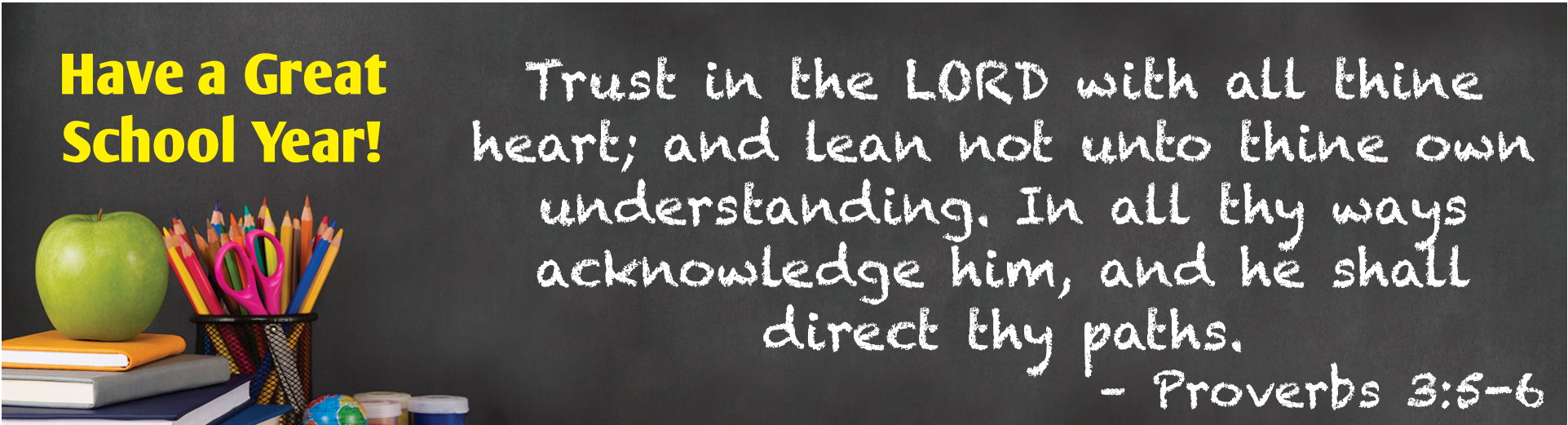
One of the 2500 names placed in the jars was Michal Glowinski, who became a professor of literature. He said, “I fondly think about her and owe my life to her.” Elzbieta Ficowska was another name who came forward to say how eternally grateful she was for the heroic actions of the Żegota team. In her case, she had been smuggled

out of the ghetto inside a large toolbox when she was just five months old.

Unlike the German industrialist Oskar Schindler, who saved more than 1,000 Jews by employing them at his Krakow factory and is widely recognized thanks to an award-winning book and film, Mrs. Sendler’s story remained relatively unknown until a few years ago when it was discovered in America by a group of Kansas school children who wrote a play about it called “Life in a Jar.” Word spread very quickly, and now the world is aware of her and her team saving many defenseless victims of the Nazi ideology. When interviewed, Irena sternly insisted she did nothing special and is quoted as saying, “I was brought up to believe that a person must be rescued when drowning, regardless of religion and

nationality. The thought of being considered a hero irritates me greatly as I continue to have pangs within my conscience that I did so little. My emotions are overshadowed by the fact that my faithful co-workers, who also constantly risked their lives, did not live long enough to share their sorrow for those they could not save.” She spent her last years in a Warsaw nursing home and passed away in 2008. “Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others” Philippians 2:3-4.

Dr. Holland is an ordained minister, chaplain, and author. Read more about the Christian life at billyhollandministries.com





Submitted by
Catherine Lamb

• Community Breakfast – Masonic Lodge #635, Saturday, (biweekly), freewill donation

• Hope Center – Every Friday, 1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

• Fairmount Town Council – Biweekly at 6 p.m.

• Gas City Concerts at the park – Each Tuesday, rain or shine

• Dinner and Trivia – August 9th – Fundraiser for Ghana mission trip (Fairmount Wesleyan)

• Feeding Fairmount Ministry – August 11th, 12 noon, Fairmount UMC, freewill donation

• The Rebel Cruise In – First Saturday of month at Play Acres Park at 4 p.m.

• Farmers Market – First Saturday of month

• Gas City Praise at the Park – Each Monday

• Concerts at the Stage – Each Wednesday at Play Acres Park

• Colts Training Camp – Grand Park, Westfield, July 23rd – August 14th

• Indiana State Fair – August 1st – August 17th, Indianapolis

• Madison-Grant School Corporation –

Back to school – August 6th

• Van Buren Popcorn Festival – August 9th

• Legacy Camp – August 11th – August 17th at Wesleyan Camp

• Homemade ice cream social – August 28th from 5 – 7 p.m. Lions Club in Fowlerton (freewill donation)

• Labor Day – September 1st, Federal holiday. No mail delivery.

• Matthews Covered Bridge Festival – September 5th, 6th and 7th

• Run/walk – September 13th – Fundraiser for Ghana mission trip (Fairmount Wesleyan)

• Pre-James Dean Run – Thursday, September 25th, Main Street in Fairmount

• Madison-Grant School Corporation – No school, September 26th

• James Dean Festival – September 26th to September 28th (Garfield Run on Saturday)

• Fire Department Open House – October

• Conner Prairie – Headless Horseman Festive – October 2 – 26th

• Harvest Festival – October 11th,

Fairmount Camp (no time given)

• Community Block Party – October 25th, Main Street closes at 3 p.m.

• Mississinewa 1812 Education Day, October 3rd, 1812 E. Tulip Drive, Marion

• Second Harvest Food Bank – October 20, 2025 3-4:30 at Play Acres Park

• Dia De Los Muertos Festival – Upland – November 1st, Noon to 10 p.m.

• Hometown Holiday Market – November 15th, 201 S. Vine at 10 a.m.

• Thanksgiving – Federal Holiday. No mail delivery.

• Baked by Mrs. C – Bliss Barn –

• Holiday Window Decorating Contest - December

• Hometown Holiday Celebration – December

• Christmas – Federal Holiday. No mail delivery.

• Fairmount Public Library (Tuesday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Book Club – Tuesday, August 12th at 6p.m.

Board Meeting – Wednesday, August 13th at 6 p.m.

Chair Yoga – After Labor Day

• Other Library Services:

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Local Church Services

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Back Creek Friends – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Back Creek Wesleyan – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Fairmount Baptist Church – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Fairmount Church of God – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Fairmount Friends – 10:30 a.m.

Fairmount Wesleyan – 9:30 a.m., Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Fairmount United Methodist – 9:30 a.m.

Fowlerton United Methodist – 10:45 a.m.

Jones Chapel – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9 a.m.

MorningStar Ministries, 11:00 a.m. (Jonesboro)

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church – 9 a.m. (Hartford City)

One of Ten Ministries and Church – 10:30 a.m.

Pilgrim Holiness – 6 p.m.

Westview Wesleyan, 11 a.m. (Jonesboro)

Women of Hope Bible Study – Tuesday – 10 a.m.

(Located at One of Ten on SR 26 in Fairmount. Open to all women in Grant County)

Fairmount UMC – Monday – 7 p.m. – Campus Life

Fairmount UMC – Wednesday – 10 a.m., Men and Women’s Bible Study

Wheels & Chrome Motorcycle & Car Show

It’s gearing up to be a great day and great summer forecast for this Saturdays (August 16th) Wheels n Chrome Event in Downtown Marion around the Courthouse Square at the Warriors Blend American Freedom Stage where Roadhouse Revival will be jamming the Free World next to ice-cream shop where Beatnixs used to be. Your projected weather for Downtown

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The Mylon Hayes Family with Phillips & Banks in concert on September 12th

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This family’s desire is to lift up the Lord with the music they sing, pointing people to the Cross. Jesus said in John 12:32 “And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me”. He was lifted up on that cross and took our



The Mylon Hayes Family

punishment because of His great love for us all. The Mylon Hayes Family hope you see Jesus and realize His great love for you in the songs they sing and the words they say.

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Phillips & Banks is a progressive southern gospel quartet from the beautiful mountains of East Tennessee. Married couples, Jacob and Carmen Phillips and Caleb and Autumn Banks bring a collectively distinctive and smooth sound to their music that sets them apart. In October of 2017, the two couples forged the quartet with common backgrounds in worship leading and ministry performance arts. They strive to communicate the hope and forgiveness that can be found through a relationship with Jesus as well as encourage and spur on fellow believers to live for Him. The Lord has truly opened up many doors of opportunity over the almost five years of the group’s existence to bring the hope of Christ to churches across their region.

Phillips & Banks strives to minister with authentic and transparent testimonies and music that speaks from each of their personal relationships with the Lord. The group wrote many of the songs that are on their first



Phillips & Banks

self-titled project and continue to write as the Lord inspires. Through their performance of an original song, “Stuck in the Wilderness”, the Lord provided them a Daywind Studios recording package at the Bowling Fest Talent Competition in London, KY in May 2018. The album they won entitled, “A Few of our Favorites”, was released at the end of October 2018. In May of 2019, the group participated in Gospel Music FanFair in Somerset, KY, and an anonymous person in attendance set up and paid for the group to record an album at Counterpoint Recording Studios in Atlanta, GA. Through that person’s generosity, their album, “A Thrill of Hope: A Christmas Collection” was released in October of 2019. Phillips & Banks’ last original project, “This Is Your Day”, was released in mid 2020 and produced by Matthew Browder. The group feels this project contains songs that reflect both their heart and their musical styles and includes two songs written by Autumn.

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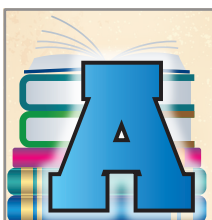
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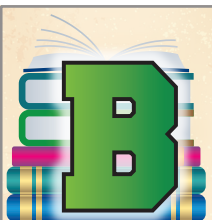
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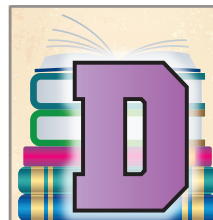
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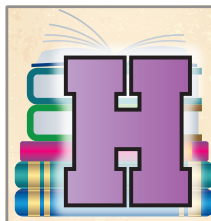
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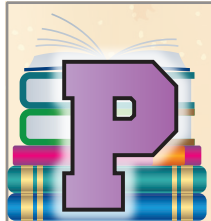
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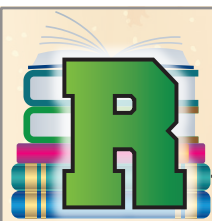
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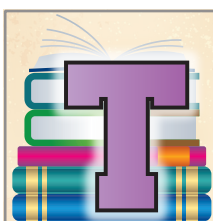
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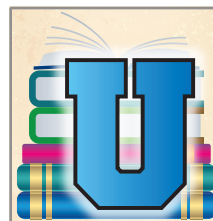
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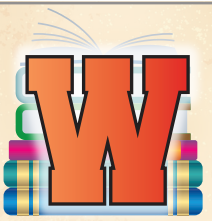
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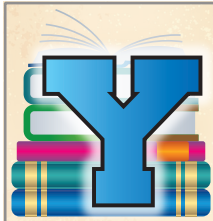
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