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CALENDAR

DEACONESS MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER OFFERS STROKE SURVIVOR AND CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Jasper – Stroke care doesn't end when you leave the hospital. Many stroke survivors and their caregivers experience changes in lifestyles and emotions while adjusting to new daily routines. Please join us at our FREE support group meetings where you can talk openly with others who share similar experiences. The next support group will be held on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the 1st Level Conference Room at Deaconess Memorial Medical Center, 800 W. 9th Street, Jasper. Pre-registration is not required to attend. For more information about the Stroke Survivor and Caregiver Support Group, please call, Landon Greulich Neuroscience Nurse Coordinator at 812-996-5684. You can also e-mail questions or comments to strokesupport@mhcc.org.

STOP THE BLEED

Jasper – In emergency situations, the help given by an immediate responder can often make the difference between life and death, even before professional rescuers arrive. Deaconess Memorial Medical Center's Ambulance and Trauma Services is offering "Stop The Bleed®". This informational program focuses on the immediate response to bleeding, recognizing life-threatening bleeding, and appropriate ways to stop the bleeding. For more information and scheduling contact Paige Bastin at pbastin@mhcc.org

"HEARTY HEARTS" CARDIAC REHAB CLUB

Jasper –The "Hearty Hearts" Rehab Club is an organization formed specifically for all former and current Memorial Hospital Cardiac Rehab and Angina Heart Therapy patients and their families. The meetings are held 3 times a year and are conducted by the nurses and exercise physiologists of the Cardiac Rehab at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Medical Arts Building Conference Center, located at 721 West 13th Street in Jasper. November's meeting will be led by our Cardiac Rehab staff. They plan to discuss all things Cardiac Rehab. Topics learned, cardiac tips etc. Cardiac Rehab is an outpatient, heart-monitored exercise program for patients who have had a recent heart attack, angina, coronary artery bypass surgery, heart valve replacement surgery, balloon angioplasty, or stent placement. For more information about the "Hearty Hearts" Cardiac Rehab Club, please call the Cardiopulmonary Rehab Center at 812-996-0554 or toll-free at 800-852-7279, ext. 0554.

PAD/AAA/STROKE COMBINATION SCREENING

Jasper – To bring more awareness to cardiovascular diseases, Deaconess Memorial Medical Center is sponsoring a combination PAD, AAA, and stroke screening on Monday, December 1st and Tuesday, December 2nd from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Deaconess Memorial Medical Center (Level 6). The cost of the screening is \$90, and pre-registration is required. A four-hour fast, including not smoking or chewing gum, is required. These screenings allow individuals with certain risk factors the opportunity to assess their health status. Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD) is the narrowing or blockage of the vessels that carry blood to your organs and limbs. Nearly 20 percent of those affected by PAD will experience a heart attack, stroke or hospitalization. Symptoms of PAD include painful cramping in the hip, thigh or calf muscles during activity. Risk factors include being over the age of 50 and having high blood pressure, diabetes, or high cholesterol, or being a smoker. During the screening, participants have their blood pressure readings taken in the arms and ankles. An abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA) occurs when the large blood vessel that supplies blood to the abdomen, pelvis, and legs becomes abnormally large or balloons outward. An AAA can develop in anyone but is most likely to occur in males over age 60. Aneurysms usually develop slowly over many years and often have no symptoms; however, the most common symptom of AAA is pain in the abdomen or lower back – severe, sudden, persistent, or constant. Risk factors include being over the age of 60, having a history of smoking, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, atherosclerosis, or a family history of aortic aneurysm. Major risk factors for stroke include high blood pressure, elevated cholesterol, heart disease, diabetes, smoking, peripheral arterial disease, atrial fibrillation, a family history of stroke, TIAs (transient ischemic attacks), carotid artery disease, or being over the age of 55. During a stroke screening, blood pressure is measured and a monitor strip of the heart's rhythm is obtained. Then a quick ultrasound scan is done of the carotid arteries. To register or for more information, please call Deaconess Memorial's Phillip R. Dawkins Heart & Vascular Center at 812-996-0553. A brief medical history will be collected to determine eligibility for the screenings.

ONLINE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION E-LEARNING

Jasper – Four out of five cardiac arrests happen at home. Are you prepared with CPR if a loved one suffers a cardiac emergency? The American Heart Association is making CPR training more accessible by offering blended learning, an online training tool! The American Heart Association now offers blended learning CPR courses that feature online CPR courses followed by an on-site skills evaluation. To do online courses, go to www.elearning.heart.org and find the course you need. Once the online portion is complete, print the certificate, then call Deaconess Memorial Medical Center staff at 812-996-2399 (option 1) to schedule a skills evaluation to complete your certification. Skills evaluations are scheduled and offered for Heartcode® BLS, Heartsaver® CPR with AED, and Heartsaver® First Aid CPR with AED. Cost for the skills evaluation portion is \$45 plus a \$15 eCard fee. Note: A short video segment is required. Class time could take 45 - 90 minutes.



Santa Claus comes to Jasper

The Greater Downtown Jasper Business Association is pleased to announce the details for Santa Claus to make his arrival in Jasper.

This annual event will take place on Friday - November 28. Santa's arrival will brighten your child's day and they can visit with him in his special house, too.

You will capture the spirit of Christmas as you gather around the beautifully decorated downtown Square in anticipation of Santa,

parading from the Fire Station to his special house, in a bright red fire engine – joined by a contest winner.

Santa will greet children at the Fire Station from 12 noon until 12:45.

At 1:00 p.m. Santa and his elves will be joined by members of the Jasper High School band to parade to the large Community Christmas Tree on the west side of the Square and then to Santa's special house near Jasper City Hall.

Children are encouraged to dress up like Christmas packages and walk along (with their family) in the mini-parade.

As members of the band play Christmas music - Mayor Dean Vonderheide will be on hand to welcome everyone with a special greeting.

Santa will then spend a few hours visiting with children in his special Christmas House until 3:00 p.m. Be sure to bring

along your camera and take pictures so that memories can be created for your little ones.

Children and families are also encouraged to bring canned foods and these items will all be donated to the Community Food Bank.

For information call the Jasper Chamber of Commerce at 812-482-6866.

This event is sponsored by the Greater Downtown Jasper Business Association.040414.

Saint Meinrad Archabbey Cultural Events Presents "The Art of Bach" on November 14

Saint Meinrad Archabbey Cultural Events, St. Meinrad, IN, will present "The Art of Bach" performed by Dr. Ryan Kennedy on November 14, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. Central Time in the Archabbey Church.

The evening's program will feature Johann Sebastian Bach's Goldberg Variations, a monumental work originally composed for harpsichord and celebrated for its architectural brilliance and expressive depth. Written in 1741, the Variations consist of an opening aria followed by 30 variations that explore an astonishing range of styles and moods, from intricate canons to virtuosic toccatas. The piece

stands as one of Bach's most profound achievements and a cornerstone of the keyboard repertoire.

Dr. Kennedy, director of liturgical music at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology, is a distinguished organist, scholar, and educator. He earned his doctorate from the Yale School of Music in 2024, where his research on Kaikhosru Shapurji Sorabji's organ music received the Friedmann Thesis Prize. His academic and artistic achievements were further recognized with the Charles Ives Prize and the ISM Community Award for Best Colloquium Presentation.

Before Yale, Dr. Kennedy completed both his bachelor's and



Dr. Ryan Kennedy

master's degrees at The Juilliard School. He previously served as director of music at Sacred Heart Latin Mass Parish in Fort Wayne, IN, where he led multiple choirs and developed a deep expertise in liturgical

improvisation. As a concert artist, Dr. Kennedy is known for his imaginative programming, particularly his transcriptions of orchestral works by Ravel, Strauss, and Mahler. His performances have been featured on Pipedreams, WQXR, BBC Radio 3, and Sveriges Radio.

The program is free and open to the public, and no registration is required. Parking is available in the Guest House and student parking lots.

For more information, contact Krista Hall during business hours at 812-357-6501. For updates on the day of the performance, call 812-357-6611.

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Living...in a troubled world

Good life and longevity

By Teresa LeNeave
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Every generation has desired “the good life” and longevity. Since the beginning of time man has imagined and sought for the fountain of youth. Not an actual fountain, but an herb, a root, a tea, a lotion, a peptide, or a hormone that extends life or at least postpones the effects of aging. But, who wants longevity in this life without the connection of the good days attached to it?

I Peter 3:10-11 says good days are the result of the words we speak, how we treat people and the choices we make. Peter said, “Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit; let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it” (ESV). That is more than a mouthful, but it’s clearly a recipe for a better life, if not a

healthier life. The good life is not comprised in the neighborhood we live in, the car we drive or even the job we have. In every survey I read that describes what most people want out of life, the overwhelming consensus is peace and happiness. Those things start in the heart. My belief is that peace and happiness come from a relationship with God and knowing he loves you. Even then, I don’t believe a person can be truly happy unless they have healthy relationships with people around them. Research has determined the well-established fact that social people are happier and healthier. On average, they live longer and enjoy life more. Jesus himself said the most important commandment is to love the Lord your God with all your heart, your mind, and your strength and the



second commandment is like unto it: love your neighbor as yourself. To me that equates to relationships that are meaningful. People caring about people. Not taking the opportunity to say something negative about another just because the opportunity arises. It means, bridling our tongues. In the Bible, James says the tongue “sets on fire the entire course of life, and is set

on fire by hell” (James 3:2 ESV). We are not getting any younger. Who knows how long we will live? None of us know, but one thing is certain: we should live our lives well. Experts tell us that the future is here. We will live longer and longer. We may even live to be 120 or more, but what good will that do without peace and health? Getting older is

interesting, but it holds many challenges. Most of us have concerns about getting dementia. Cancer. Heart attack. Stroke. The list goes on and on. Health guru’s tell us genes most definitely play a role in the longevity of our lives, but so does attitude, a healthy diet, a spiritual relationship and exercise. The good life does not mean a life without problems, because in the very same chapter

Peter said we will suffer and have trials in this life, but not to be afraid or fearful. People will age very different. All people will have good and bad days, but we are more than overcomers through Christ Jesus. Everything in the universe ages in different ways. It is the way of life. It’s the natural order of things. But we have a lot to do with our own health and happiness. Adding Jesus to it will make a big difference. When Peter tells us, “For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil and his lips that they speak no guile; let him eschew evil (turn from evil) and do good; seek peace and pursue it”, then maybe he’s giving us a tip on the concept of aging well. One of my favorite scriptures is “A merry heart doeth good like a medicine,” (Prov 17:22).

Can we explain what we believe?

Dr. Billy Holland

The foundation of the Christian faith, along with the hope of eternal salvation in the next life, is based on the torturous death and glorified resurrection of the only perfect individual we know as Jesus Christ. When we trust that His sacrificial blood is the only payment for our forgiveness and our hope for redemption, we become reborn, a new spiritual creation within His family and kingdom. Do you believe that trusting in this God-man is the greatest demonstration of love the world has ever known? Since this miraculous event happened over 2000 years ago, do you know why you believe these promises are true? Let’s go a little further. Have you ever had a life-changing encounter with the

person called the Son of God? Did you know that just believing there is a God, or that Jesus is real, is NOT the same thing as giving all of your heart, mind, and soul to Him? Pastors are not the only ones who are called to explain and teach God’s word; every person who has invited Christ to be their Lord and Savior should spend every available moment focusing on Him and getting to know Him more intimately through prayer and study. This is how His children become His fearless, wise, mighty, and overcoming warriors. Over the last 100 years, the number of people interested in researching the Bible has increased. I’m not referring to those who want to draw closer to God, but rather the progressive intellectual critics who try to

refute and disprove what is written. These are not your casual readers who accept what someone says on the surface or are satisfied with the idea of just believing by faith. Similar to how those who must prove everything according to science, these individuals are intense and seek more difficult answers than are discussed in church classes. In fact, if one of these agnostics were to present their views in church, most would be considered a heretic or worse. I have several friends around the country, and we have interesting discussions about God and the Bible. As I mentioned, we have many questions about Christianity that are often left to speculation. I’ve read some of the textual critics who take pride in being able to pin a preacher

against the wall who has been in Christian leadership most of his life. I’m writing this small article not to discourage you who are followers of Christ, but to blow the trumpet of warning about how important it is to know what we believe. Especially in the last 60 years, while the nominal Christians have been spiritually asleep, these scholars have been hard at work trying to see if what the text says is actually correct. I know that many will say, That’s a huge waste of time and is offensive to those who trust God, but how can we condemn those who have sincerely given their lives to researching every jot and tittle of the Bible? It’s one thing to know what something says, and it’s another thing to explain what it means. This is true with the Bible, as

there are individuals who have memorized what is written, but do they know how to translate the original languages into our modern English? For example, I’m not saying that I agree with what Bart Ehrman teaches, but he is recognized as a highly respected Biblical scholar who focuses on the textual criticism of the New Testament, the historical Jesus, and the origins and development of early Christianity. For anyone to debate him on Biblical topics, they would need to bring their A-game of theological research, and not just answers like, “I believe this because that’s what my grandmother said.” My point is that all Christians should not only stand for their convictions, but have the ability to prove why they accept and trust

them. The reason why all Christians are not dedicated theologians is that it’s much easier to accept a meal than to cook one. Most people say I do not have time to study the Bible, while spending several hours a day watching TV and playing on their phones. I encourage every follower to take a scholarly approach to understanding religious texts, including their faith-based views so they can be instant in season and out of season to give an answer. II Timothy 2:15 is not only about gaining knowledge, it’s taking the time to rightly divide His word and be enlightened by God’s divine revelation. Dr. Holland is an ordained minister, chaplain, and author. Read more about the Christian life at billyhollandministries.com

His workmanship

By Brandon Bramlett
Pastor - Bandana Baptist Church

Repairing the rusting russet-colored sedan seemed like a waste of time to me. If you searched for “clunker” in Webster’s Dictionary, you’d see a picture of this car. It was in terrible shape: the tires were ashy from wear, the paint was chipped from weather, and the engine sputtered from sitting idle for so long. Despite its sorry state, it was my father’s restoration project for a few weeks. He took a hunk of junk, and burned time, broke sweat, and battered tools to make it run like new. Likewise, you are the heavenly Father’s “restoration project” if you have been saved by grace. The Scripture says, “For we are His workmanship” (Eph. 2:10a). The Lord bought you from sin’s junkyard, and He is always working

on you to make you run like new (cf. Eph. 4:22-24; Col. 3:9-10). You are in His workshop of sanctification, but not for self-improvement. God is working on you to make you more like Christ: “And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit” (2 Cor. 3:18). Like any good mechanic, the Father uses many tools to fix you up. The Bible is a hammer that God uses to flatten out the dents in your theology (Jer. 23:29). The local church is the place where God gives you a weekly “engine tune up” in order to run effectively for Him throughout the week. Trials and tribulations are the buff pads God uses to polish the scuffs on your faith (James 1:2-4). And prayer is the “jump” that cranks your engine for righteous

living, since it is through prayer that we receive God’s own power to obey Him (James 5:16). God isn’t finished with you yet, but He will finish what He started. The Scripture assures us, “And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ” (Phil. 1:6). Until then, we must humbly submit to His means and methods of making us what we ought to be. And, we may exuberantly resound the words of He’s Still Workin’ on Me, the gospel classic which says:

*“He’s still workin’ on me
To make me what I ought to be;
It took Him just a week
to make the moon and stars,
The sun and the earth
and Jupiter and Mars.
How loving and patient
He must be!
He’s still workin’ on me!”*

Don’t be so quick to leave

By Gary Miller

Sometimes in deer hunting, the tree stand becomes the seat of discontentment. Early in my hunting life, I was notorious for giving up on one spot for the hopes of another. My logic was always based upon the deer that I was not seeing. It didn’t matter that I had spent weeks or even months scouting that particular area. I was willing to give up after only a few days of inactivity. And since these were the days before trail cameras, my roaming always seemed justified. Sometimes I would get out of the tree stand and just start wandering around. I called it spotting and stalking, but it was really my inability to be patient with where I was. My cry was, “If I could only see deer! I don’t have to shoot one; I just want to see movement.” So, after a couple of non-

productive days, I was ready to move on. The problem was that many times the new place I found was no better than the last. So, I moved again. Now, as you can see, I began forming a pattern of constantly moving; and worse, a pattern of impatience. Thankfully, as I grew older, I overcame the urge to move. I began to trust my pre-season scouting and realized that my constant moving was not caused by the lack of deer movement but by something lacking within me. What was lacking was problems, or as the Bible says, tribulation. Here’s what it says. “We also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance.” In deer terms this means that when I realized that deer was showing up at the place I had just moved from; I understood that I had moved too soon. My tribulation of the

past produced in me the patience I need today. Right now, you may be getting a little antsy as well. The urge to move may be welling up inside you. It may be coming from unrealized expectations or delayed activity. But don’t be so quick to leave. You may only be moving toward a pattern of impatience while someone else is enjoying the fruit of being at the place you just left. Gary Miller gary@outdoortruths.org Gary Miller has written Outdoor Truths articles for 23 years. He has also written five books which include compilations of his articles and a father/son devotional. He also speaks at wild-game dinners and men’s events for churches and associations. Stay updated on Outdoor Truths each week by subscribing at Outdoortruths.org

Betty C. Zint

Betty C. Zint, age 80 of Petersburg, IN, passed away at 3:52 a.m. on Friday, October 31, 2025 at Deaconess Memorial Hospital in Jasper, Indiana. Private services were held by the family.

Herman J. Helming

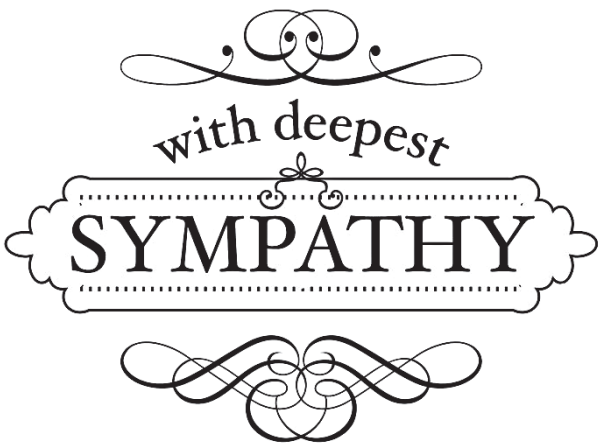
Herman J. Helming, age 76, of Algiers, Indiana, passed away at 1:11 p.m. on Thursday, October 30, 2025, at home surrounded by family. A Mass of Christian Burial for Herman J. Helming will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at St. Celestine Catholic Church in Celestine, Indiana, with burial to follow in the church cemetery.

Deacon Michael “Mike” E. Helfter

Deacon Michael “Mike” E. Helfter, age 77, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 7:53 a.m. on Thursday, October 30, 2025, at home surrounded by family. A Mass of Christian Burial for Deacon Michael “Mike” E. Helfter will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 8, 2025, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana, with burial to follow at a later date in St. Peter’s Cemetery in New Haven, Iowa. The American Legion Post #147 will conduct military honors at Holy Family Catholic Church after the Mass. A visitation will be held from 3:00-7:00 p.m. on Friday, November 7, 2025, at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, Indiana. Holy Family Parish will pray a rosary at 2:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Joseph P. Fischer

Joseph Paul Fischer, age 94, of Schnellville, Indiana, passed away at 2:26 p.m. on Wednesday, October 29th, 2025, surrounded by his loved ones at Memorial Hospital in Jasper, Indiana. A Mass of Christian Burial for Joseph P. Fischer was held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Schnellville, Indiana, burial followed in the church cemetery. The St Anthony American Legion Post #493 will conduct military graveside rites. A visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3, 2025, at the Bech-



er-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper. A rosary will be prayed at 1:30 p.m. prior to the visitation at the funeral home. A second visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. at the church on Tuesday.

Patricia J. Weisheit

GPatricia J. Weisheit, age 87, passed away peacefully surrounded by family at 3:50 a.m. on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, at Legacy Living in Jasper, Indiana. A Mass of Christian Burial for Patricia J. Weisheit was held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, November 3, 2025, at Precious Blood Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana, with burial to follow in Fairview Cemetery in Jasper. A visitation was held from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 2nd, at the Becher Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper. A rosary was prayed at 12:30 prior to the visitation. A second visitation was held from 9:00 a.m. until the 10:00 a.m. Mass time at the church on Monday, November 3rd.

Frances Jane “Janie” Merkel

Frances Jane “Janie” Merkel, age 71, of Celestine, Indiana, passed away at 4:40 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at home surrounded by family. Private family services will be held at a later date.

Howard Kenneth Eckert

Howard Kenneth Eckert, age 86, of Huntingburg, passed away at 2:40 p.m., on Thursday, October 30, 2025, at Deaconess Memorial Medical Center in Jasper.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., on Monday, November 3, 2025, at the Nass & Son Funeral Home in Huntingburg with burial to follow at Fairmount Cemetery in Huntingburg. Pastors Mark Embry and Jackson Embry officiated at the service. Military graveside rites were conducted by the V.F.W. Post #2366 Memorial Detail.

David D. Spencer

David D. Spencer, age 62, of Huntingburg, passed away on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, in a truck accident near State Road 161 and County Road 1025 in Holland. Visitation for David Spencer was held at the Nass and Son Funeral Home in Huntingburg from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, November 1, 2025. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday afternoon, at the funeral home.

Rita Faye Polen

Rita Faye Polen, 75, formerly of Tell City, passed away on Sunday, October 26, 2025, in Sylacauga, Alabama. Services will be held at 12:00 PM CST on Friday, November 7, 2025, at Huber Funeral Home, Tell City Chapel. Burial will follow in Bolin Cemetery. Visitation will be on Friday from 10:00 AM until service time at the funeral home..

David Allen Schmett

David Allen Schmett, age 69, of Huntingburg, passed away at 7:08 a.m., Saturday, October 25, 2025, at Deaconess Gateway Hospital in Newburgh. Funeral services for David Allen Schmett will be private. Burial will take place at Fairmount Cemetery in Huntingburg. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Karen Sue Rue

Karen Sue Rue, age 75, of Dale, passed away at 11:56 a.m., on Saturday, October 25, 2025, at Deaconess Memorial Medical Center in Jasper. Funeral services for Karen S. Rue were held at 11:00 a.m., C.D.T., Friday, October 31, 2025, at Heilman Mt. Olive General Baptist Church. Burial followed at Garrison Chapel Cemetery. Pastor Ken Slater will officiate the service. Visitation was held from 9:00-11:00 a.m., C.D.T., on Friday, prior to the service at the church.

Ferdinand adds towering four-tier pyramid to 2025 Christkindlmarkt

By SIBR News

FERDINAND – Ferdinand’s Christkindlmarkt has about everything you’d want from a German Christmas market. There’s music, artisan crafts, a Marionette show, live glockenspiel, ice skating and so much German food. But one thing was missing – a Christmas pyramid. After a 10-year fundraising effort, a 32-foot tall Christmas pyramid made in Germany will be erected later this month. It will stand north of the historic Wollenmann Home on Main Street in Ferdinand. A dedication and blessing was celebrated on Nov. 2. The Ferdinand Christkindlmarkt is Nov. 15-16. “The community came together in so many ways and people are so excited about it,” said Kathy Tretter, member of the Ferdinand Tourism Commission. Made of German spruce and steel, each tier will feature wood-crafted images. The pyramid will be assembled on top of

a base, called a hut, that was designed by Universal Design and constructed by Seufert Construction, both Ferdinand businesses. Later this month, two builders will travel from Germany to assemble the pyramid and show the tourism commission how to assemble and dismantle it for future Christkindlmarkts. The pyramid will remain up until early January. The hut is permanent and can be used throughout the year, Tretter said. In addition to the money the Ferdinand Tourism Commission saved for the project, the commission received a grant from the Dubois County Tourism Commission. A generous gift from Dubois County resident Mary C. Lange put the fundraising effort over the top. Tretter said the Ferdinand Christkindlmarkt attracts about 10,000 visitors each year and the tourism commission expects the new pyramid to bring more visitors. “This will be the 28th annual



Christkindlmarkt hosted in Ferdinand. It’s exciting to see the committee and community leaders continuing to find ways to enhance the experience of such a successful event. Investments like this not only elevate the experience for event attendees that have been enjoying the celebration for years, but it provides

new opportunities to expose new visitors to the magic of this event, and allows us to continue to tell important stories to visitors and community members alike,” said Kristal Painter, Discover Southern Indiana COO. Unfortunately, the pyramid, which was ordered before tariffs took effect, was hit by

tariffs coming into the United States. “We were hit with over \$30,000 in tariffs,” Tretter said. “We are a nonprofit organization and that really hurts.” The pyramid was custom made and reflects the town’s unique German heritage. The first tier will contain the Nativity. The second tier will include figures important to

the town – founder Rev. Joseph Kundek, Emperor Ferdinand I of the Habsburg Empire for whom the community is named, and Mother Benedicta Berns, the first prioress of what would become Monastery Immaculate Conception, along with the fifth pastor, Father Eberhard Stadler, standing next to a chair symbolic of the craftsmanship of Clem Lange and Best Home Furnishings of Ferdinand. The third tier will feature figures representing the occupations of Ferdinand’s earliest settlers, and the fourth will include a choir of angels. Christkindlmarkt details What: Ferdinand Christkindlmarkt, 200 artisan crafts, antiques, food and wine vendors; free live music, ice skating, children’s activities and a concert by the Evansville Philharmonic. Admission and parking are free. Shuttles available. When: Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Nov. 16 from 10 to 4.



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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.
- Eagles Nest Food Pantry – November 20th, December 18th at 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

(Additional dates are on Fairmount Wesleyan Church website. Click events)

Feeding Fairmount Ministry – 2nd Monday of month – Fairmount UMC, freewill donation, 12 noon

Upland Winter Market starts November 7th, 4-7 p.m. on the first and third Fridays through April. No market Good Friday.

Bliss Barn Holiday Market – November 8th at 11 a.m.

Veteran’s Day – November 11th – Federal holiday. No mail delivery

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

Upland Christmas Market Craft Show – November 15th Pierce Church – 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. - Upland

Thanksgiving – Federal Holiday. No mail delivery.

Madison-Grant Thanksgiving Break – November 26th – 28th

Hometown Holiday Celebration – November 30th – 4 – 6 p.m. in front of trustee’s office

Madison-Grant Christmas Break – December 22nd – January 2, 2026

Christmas – December 25th - Federal Holiday. No mail delivery.

2026
February 13: Election of County Officers

April 14: April District Meeting in Hartford City, “As American As Apple Pie”

May 7: Achievement Day which includes recognition of perfect attendance, membership milestones, new members & Memorial for deceased members.

Fairmount Public Library

- Painting with LouRae - November 1st at 10:30 a.m.
Take and make crafting available – November 4th
- Chair Yoga – 1 p.m. – November 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th
- Storytime – 10 a.m. – November 13th
- Book Club – 6 p.m. – November 11th
- Chair Yoga – 10 a.m. – November 7th, 14th and 21st
- Board Meeting – 6 p.m. – November 12th
- Crafting Circle – 6 p.m. – November 18th
- Your Story – 7 p.m. – November 25th

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Email Us Your Upcoming Events to: Catherine Lamb at: lambc899@gmail.com or to pamela.kpi2018@gmail.com *Deadline is Monday at 5 PM for the Thursday edition.

Local Church Services

Submitted by Catherine Lamb	Fairmount Friends – 10:30 a.m.	Prince of Peace Lutheran Church – 9 a.m. (Hartford City)	Women of Hope Bible Study – Tuesday – 10 a.m.
Back Creek Friends – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.	Fairmount Wesleyan – 9:30 a.m.	One of Ten Ministries and Church – 10:30 a.m.	(Located at One of Ten on SR 26 in Fairmount. Open to all women in Grant County)
Back Creek Wesleyan – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.	Fairmount United Methodist – 9:30 a.m.	Pilgrim Holiness – 6 p.m.	
Fairmount Baptist Church – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.	Fowlerton United Methodist – 10:45 a.m.	Real Community Covenant Church – 10 a.m. – 1240 S. Adams in Marion	Fairmount UMC – Monday – 7 p.m. – Campus Life
Fairmount Church of God – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.	Jones Chapel – 10:30 a.m., Sunday School – 9 a.m.	Westview Wesleyan, 11 a.m. (Jonesboro)	Fairmount UMC – Wednesday – 10 a.m., Men and Women’s Bible Study
	MorningStar Ministries, 11:00 a.m. (Jonesboro)		



Alcove and Friends Holiday Show

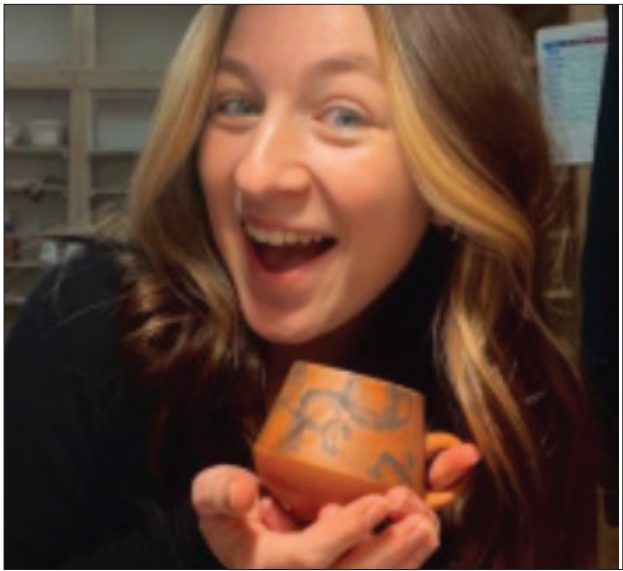
Brief description of performance/event: The Alcove and Friends Holiday Show is ready to view! This group of talented artists has wearable, ceramic, paintings, and more available for sale from now until December 4th. Perfect for the upcoming holidays!	Event Date/Time: Monday 10am-7pm, Tuesday 10am-8pm, Wednesday 10am-7pm, Thursday 10am-8pm and Friday 10am-4pm Special Event: November 21st meet and greet with the artists during the 43rd Annual Holiday Benefit Auction at Arts Place- tickets	required Event Location: 131 E Walnut St. Portland, IN 47371 Cost to view the exhibit: FREE Short bio of artist or performing group: The ALCOVE Artists are a group of performing artists, with a goal of promoting their work as a group and as	individuals. Email address: thealcoveartists@gmail.com Facebook: The Alcove Artists For more information or questions on how to be involved, please contact Arts Place by calling 260-726-4809 or emailing visualarts@myartsplace.org
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Paint a Doormat Class

Brief description of performance/event: Seeing all those cute painted door mats on your for you page on social media? Wanting one for your house? Look no further! Create your own fall themed painted door mat at Arts Place’s Blackford County Art Center!	Event Location: Blackford County Arts Center, 107 West Washington St., Hartford City, IN 47348 Cost: \$25.00 per student Arts Place contact person for questions or more information and how to be involved Call Lydia Rowles at 765-348-4154 with any questions.	
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Arts Place hires ceramics specialist

Join us in welcoming Katie Cale to Arts Place as our new Ceramics Specialist. Katie is a graduate of Blackford High School and has a Bachelor of Arts from Ball State. Katie will run our ceramics program at both Arts Place locations in Blackford & Jay counties. Katie will also be firing all our electric kilns and our industrial gas kiln too. To welcome Katie to Arts Place, Arts Place is offering “Make a Mug”, “Make a Ceramic Christmas Tree”, “Make a Christmas Ornament”, Make A Charcuterie Board”, and “Tick Tock Make a Ceramic Clock”, as well as private ceramic parties. Arts Place also offers a monthly open ceramics studio and Fire for Hire. In 2026, Katie will be adding wheel throwing and surface design classes too! Sign up at www.myartsplace.org



Katie Cale

Blackford County Extension Homemakers to host Holiday Magic

By Susan Lannoy

Blackford County Extension Homemakers Association Mission Statement is to strengthen families through:

- 1)Continuing Continuing Education
- 2)Leadership Development
- 3)Volunteered Community Support

Dec 4, ‘25 Blackford County 4-H Bldg— BCEHA Christmas Party, “Cookies for Santa.” Each member may bring 3 dozen cookies, all the same, for a cookie exchange with other members. Be sure to bring a container for your exchanged cookies!

Individual Clubs continue to meet monthly and a new club is organizing this month. For information, send your questions to Susan Lannoy on the Blackford County Extension Homemakers Association Facebook page or call the

Purdue Extension Office, 765-348-3213.

The Homemakers Creed

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By Niki Walls, MSW, LSW, Youth First, Inc.

When’s the last time you tried something new without worrying about whether you would be good at it? As children, we would happily play and try something new; we were not consumed with thoughts of failure. However, as adults, we often avoid hobbies unless we believe we can master them.

At what point in our lives does this change-up happen? How can we be successful role models to students, expect them to improve, and not add to the pressure of perfectionism?

We live in a society that thrives on performance, productivity, and perfection. This can be harmful when dealing with children. Students often feel pressured to be perfect at everything they do. If they are unsure if they will be good at something, they may avoid it altogether. The way society has made “good enough” seem like “not enough” will often push students to the point of not trying at all.

The message students need to hear is that they do not have to be perfect, or even good, at something to help them grow. Even without perfection, a hobby, physical activity, or passion can greatly support a student’s mental well-being. The fear of failure is holding many students back from reaching their full potential. Studies show that trying new activities boosts creativity, lowers stress, and even helps build resilience.

When students only do what they are already good at, they may miss out on experiences that could bring them new joy, diverse friendships, and valuable life skills. When students try something new without the added pressure of being perfect, they can build resiliency, boost their confidence, encourage creativity, and have a positive outlet for stress. It also takes the pressure off for them to feel like they must perform well to be worthy of love or attention. Children need to learn the art of normalizing mistakes, not fearing them, while also shifting their brain from fight-or-flight to a state of calm.

As adults, we can encourage this mindset by praising their effort over the mastery or perfectionism. Teachers and parents can also model imperfection. Try something new, give yourself grace when you fail, and laugh it off when things do not go as planned. This will model just how safe it is to take risks without fear of embarrassment.

Growing up can be stressful and full of pressure for students, but not everything has to be about perfect grades, scores, or achievement. Encourage students to “fail” so they can explore who they really are while discovering new passions and building confidence. When we let go of being perfect at something, we permit ourselves to enjoy it. That joy can be a surprisingly powerful tool for our mental health. Maybe the shift starts by picking one thing you can do “badly” on purpose. Not only will it lighten your mood, but you might just have more fun than you have had in a long time.

Niki Walls, MSW, LSW, is a Youth First Mental Health Professional at Bell Intermediate Academy in Morgan County. Youth First, Inc., is a nonprofit dedicated to strengthening youth and families. Youth First provides over 100 highly trained mental health professionals (primarily master’s level social workers), prevention programs, parent engagement coordinators, and bilingual support personnel to 130 schools across 14 Indiana counties. Over 55,000 youth and families are served each year by Youth First’s school-based social work and community programs that promote mental health, prevent substance misuse, and maximize student success. To learn more about Youth First, visit youthfirstinc.org or call 812-421-8336.

Evansville Promise Neighborhood

Partners unite to drive collective action across four key pipelines

EVANSVILLE, IND. — The Evansville Promise Neighborhood (EPN) at the University of Evansville (UE) continues to strengthen its collaborative approach to community transformation, bringing together partners across four key focus areas to launch collective, high-impact initiatives that empower local families and create pathways of opportunity.

Following EPN’s first-ever Essential Staff Training and Annual All-Partner Meeting earlier this year, each of the four EPN workgroups formed a Task Force to identify one or two collective projects that extend beyond individual partner programs. These Task Forces are now implementing their first shared action plans designed to make a measurable, lasting impact across the neighborhood.

Pipeline 1: Early Health and Kindergarten Readiness

To strengthen early learning outcomes, the Early Health and Kindergarten Readiness pipeline is leading a neighborhood-wide effort to empower families through the Little Moments, Big Growth campaign. The campaign aims to equip caregivers of young children with the tools, knowledge, and confidence to prepare their child for school. More than a message, Little Moments, Big Growth empowers families to take small, everyday actions that lead to big outcomes in a child’s learning journey.

Pipeline 2: Student Achievement and Success

Recognizing that student success begins with being present, the Student Achievement and Success pipeline is piloting creative strategies to support attendance and family connection throughout the year. Efforts include the development of a consistent and shared attendance incentive structure and strategies to overcome transportation barriers-supported in part by the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation’s (EVSC) new Promise Neighborhood bus, PNI, which works to help students and families stay connected and engaged throughout the year.

Pipeline 3: Postsecondary Access, Success, and Workforce Readiness

By taking a multigenerational approach to college and career readiness, the Postsecondary Access, Success, and Workforce Readiness pipeline is inspiring both students and families to dream big and plan ahead. Work is underway to develop mobile engagement displays, with the possibility of including virtual reality (VR) experiences, that will bring college and career exploration directly to students and families. The goal is to spark meaningful, future-focused conversations about education and career paths-wherever families already gather.

Pipeline 4: Neighborhood and Community Revitalization

Focused on building a healthier neighborhood, the Neighborhood and Community Revitalization pipeline is bringing fresh produce and interactive learning to EVSC family engagement events and after-school programs. By incorporating fresh produce and educational components into student experiences, the initiative seeks to build lifelong healthy habits and deepen understanding of food and nutrition.

About Evansville Promise Neighborhood

Evansville Promise Neighborhood (EPN) is an initiative housed at the University of Evansville’s Center for Innovation & Change, made possible through funding from the U.S. Department of Education. EPN focuses on building strategic partnerships that empower generations and create opportunities for kids, families, and entire communities.

For more information, visit evansville.edu/ePN or follow @EvansvillePromiseNeighborhood on social media.

The University of Evansville is a private, comprehensive university with a solid foundation in the arts and sciences and professional schools in business, engineering, education, and health sciences. Established in 1854, UE is recognized across the globe for its rich tradition of innovative, academic excellence and dynamic campus community of #Changemakers.

Home of the Purple Aces, UE is located in the southwestern region of Indiana and offers over 75 majors, 17 Division I sports, and a unique study abroad experience at Harlaxton, the University’s very own Victorian manor located in the countryside of England. For more information, please visit evansville.edu.

Actors Community Theater now hiring

for Spring 2026 production

JASPER, IN – Actors Community Theatre is now hiring production staff for the upcoming Dinner Theatre performances of “This Murder Was Staged” by Patrick Greene and Jason Pizzarello. The performances will be held on March 26th-28th, 2026, at 7:30 PM EST, and March 29th, 2026, at 1:00PM EST at the Jasper Arts Center.

ACT is looking to fill the following paid positions: Director, Stage Manager, Sound / Light Operator, and Set Build.

The Director oversees all aspects of the production including, but not limited to casting, artistic vision, rehearsals, operating within budget, and coordinating or ensuring that all requirements for a successful production are met.

Stage Manager assists the Director with scheduling, coordinates rehearsal spaces, assists the rehearsal process, helps run of performances, works as a liaison between the cast and Director to dictate any announcements or information, and fulfills other duties assigned by the Director.

The Sound / Light Operator is responsible for analyzing the production lighting requirements and creating a lighting design to enhance the artistic vision of the show. The Sound / Light Operator is also responsible for creating the lighting plot, scheduling and directing hang and focus sessions, programming all light cues for the production, and ensuring that the design and operations are maintained for the duration of the production. There are minimal sound requirements for this production.

The Set Build Lead will work with the Director to realize their vision for onstage scenery. The Set Build Lead ensures that all safety, budgetary, and facility constraints are maintained. Additionally, the Set Build Leader coordinates volunteers assisting with the build process.

More information and production team applications can be found at www.actorscommunitytheatre.com.

The deadline to apply is Wednesday, December 3rd.

Auditions for This Murder Was Staged: Dinner Theatre Experience will be announced once the production team has been selected.

